



Minutes

City Council Meeting
20 Second Avenue SW, Oelwein
December 23, 2019 - 6:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Call to Order Mayor Peggy Sherrets called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Roll Call Present: Fisk, Christensen, Milks, Weber, Cantrell
Absent: None
Also Present: Mulfinger, Rigdon, Dillon

Additions or Deletions

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Fisk to adopt the agenda as presented. All voted aye.

Motion Carried

Citizens Public Comments

Jake Blitsch Jake Blitsch, 720 8th Avenue NE thanked the Mayor for Oelwein's accomplishments and citizens appreciate the direction the council is going. He hopes the new Mayor is as open and as accessible as Peggy has been and he publishes his phone number for his constituents. The rental clean up has been a big improvement for the city. Residents of Oelwein have really appreciated the councils direction on this and hopes the new Mayor doesn't reverse the progress.

Deb Howard Deb Howard 1320 Isaac Avenue, Hazleton, Economic Development and Chamber Director thanked Peggy and exiting council members for all they do from the bottom of her heart. It is great to have all their support and people who believe in things we are trying to do.

Consent Agenda

1. Consideration of a motion approving December 9, 2019 Council Minutes
2. Claims Resolution in the amount of \$982,565.37
3. Consideration of a Class 'B' Wine Permit Renewal for Oelwein Family Pharmacy
4. Consideration of a motion authorizing beer and wine tasting at Oelwein Public Library's Chocolate Festival February 14, 2020
5. Consideration of a motion approving Pay Request No. 1 in the amount of \$69,463.98 to Matt Construction for work completed on Wings Park Trail Improvements project
6. Consideration of a motion approving Pay Request No. 2 from Matt Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$74,151.81 for work completed on Wings Park Trail Improvements project
7. Consideration of a motion approving Pay Request No. 15 to Portzen Construction in the amount of \$10,488.01 for work completed on Disinfection and 42 Well Improvements Project

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Fisk to approve the consent agenda. All voted aye.

Motion Carried

Public Hearing

8. Public Hearing on the proposed plans, specifications, form of contract and estimate of cost for Oelwein Street Department Building Addition and Rehabilitation Project.

Mayor Sherrets opened the Public Hearing. Utility Superintendent Vic Kane explained the Street Building addition and rehabilitation project. No written comments were received. No public comments were received. Sherrets closed the hearing.

Ordinances

9. Consideration of an Ordinance Amending Section 22-92, Parking in Residential Areas and Section 22-94, Prohibited Parking - First Reading

A motion was made by Milks, seconded by Fisk to adopt the first reading.

Ayes: Fisk, Christensen, Milks, Weber, Cantrell

Nays: None

Motion Carried

10. Consideration of an Ordinance Amending Oelwein Code of Ordinances Chapter 3 Article IX and Chapter 21 Parks Violations - First Reading

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Milks to adopt the first reading.

Ayes: Fisk, Christensen, Milks, Weber, Cantrell

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Resolutions

11. Consideration of a Resolution Filling the Vacancy in the Office of Council at Large by Appointment

A motion was made by Milks, seconded by Weber to adopt Resolution No. 5133-2019 Filling the Vacancy in the Office of Council at Large by Appointment of Rex Ericson.

Ayes: Fisk, Christensen, Milks, Weber, Cantrell

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Sherrets swore in Ericson at 6:10 P.M. and Ericson took his seat on council assuming his duties immediately.

12. Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing Temporary Closure of Public Ways or Grounds for Oelwein Odd Rods

A motion was made by Milks, seconded by Weber to adopt Resolution No. 5134-2019.

Ayes: Fisk, Christensen, Milks, Weber, Cantrell, Ericson

Nays: None

Motion Carried

13. Consideration of a Resolution to set Public Hearing on Proposed Disposal by Sale of the City's Interest in 14 2nd Avenue NW, 20 2nd Avenue NW, 24 2nd Avenue NW, 129 5th Avenue NE, 608 1st Avenue SE and 620 3rd Avenue SW all in Oelwein, Fayette County, Iowa

A motion was made by Fisk, seconded by Weber to adopt Resolution #5135-2019.

Ayes: Fisk, Christensen, Milks, Weber, Cantrell, Ericson

Nays: None

Motion Carried

14. Consideration of a Resolution Amending the Oelwein Rental Inspection Policy

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Fisk to adopt Resolution No. 5136-2019.

Ayes: Fisk, Christensen, Milks, Weber, Cantrell

Nays: None

Abstain: One (Ericson)

Motion Carried

Cantrell would like to address carbon monoxide detectors in the future.

Motions

15. Consideration of a motion entering into a three-year agreement with T.P. Anderson & Company for auditing services.

A motion was made by Milks, seconded by Cantrell authorizing signatures. All voted aye.

Motion Carried

Committee Reports

21. Report from Christensen on December Library Board meeting. Christen reported on the December Library meeting. Mulfinger discussed Fiscal Year 2021 Budget. Holiday Escape Room will be offered December 30 – January 3rd. Dan Davis from Luther College will give a program on his experience as a deep-sea diver exploring ancient ship wrecks. Chocolate Fest will be February 14th at the Library. Carpet bid was awarded to Furniture Showcase.
22. Report from Fisk on December Housing Committee meeting. Fisk reported on December Housing Committee meeting. Davey Smith properties discussion took place. Lot size was also discussed. Fisk asked Milks to stay on the Housing Committee even though she is no longer a council member and thanked her for her involvement. Fisk would like to set up a meeting with the Landlord Association.

Mayor's Report

Sherrets stated it was an honor to be Mayor for five years. You have a great new council and mayor to keep moving forward. Thank you all for all your hard work.

City Administrator's Report

Mulfinger thanked Sherrets, Milks and Christensen for their service to the community doing one of the most difficult jobs out there as Mayor and Council. Little less than four years ago you took a chance on me as your City Administrator and I will forever appreciate the opportunity you have given me and I will forever be thankful for you and your service here at the city.

Councilperson Milks

Milks thanked Oelwein for letting her serve the community.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Milks, seconded by Christensen to adjourn at 6:35 P.M. All voted aye.

Motion Carried

Peggy Sherrets, Mayor

ATTEST:

Dylan Mulfinger, City Administrator

I, Dylan Mulfinger, City Administrator in and for the City of Oelwein, Iowa do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true accounting of the Council Proceedings held December 23, 2019 and copy of said proceedings was furnished to the Register December 30, 2019.

Dylan Mulfinger, City Administrator