



September 16, 2026

Oelwein City Council
20 Second Ave. SW
Oelwein, IA 50662

Dear Mayor Devore, City Administrator Mulfinger, and City Council Members:

The Oelwein Chamber & Area Development is requesting permission to close various streets and alleys for our 2026 Olde Tyme Christmas event from 4:00 - 8:00 pm on Friday, December 4th. We would like to request use of city barricades at the event at the appropriate street closures and along the parade route.

- We request permission to close the 10 block of North Frederick to Veridian drive-through, the 10 and 100 block of South Frederick, and also the 10 block of East Charles to alley and 10 block of West Charles, from approximately 1:30 p.m. until 10 p.m.
- We will also be using ATV's for set-up and during the event.
- As in the past, there will be carriage rides from the alley by Margaret's Crafts and proceeding to South Frederick to 1st St. SW and then return to the alley by Margaret's Crafts.
- Fireworks will be held at 6:00pm provided by Flashing Thunder. Flashing Thunder will be contacting the OPD for the required permit.
- We are also planning a Parade of Lights at 8:00 p.m., which travels from the VFW location on North Frederick to Strang's on South Frederick. The parade will then progress west on Second Street and back to the Log Cabin Park. As in the past, we would like to request additional help from the Police Department with traffic control at the intersections during the parade if possible.

Thanks much for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Deb Howard". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Deb Howard, Executive Director
Oelwein Chamber & Area Development