



The Oelwein City Council will evaluate and vote on the proposed rate increase in March of 2021. Rate Increases will be effective July of 2021.

- July 2021 25 percent
- July 2022 6 percent
- July 2023 6 percent
- July 2024 2 percent
- July 2025 2 percent

The City will remove the infrastructure fee. City Council determined that cost of water should be focused on usage and not a set fee.

The City of Oelwein is working toward an aggressive rate and fee schedule for the Water utility to complete several projects as shown below:

- \$779,500 loan for Water Infrastructure Project
 - Already awarded \$600,000 in CDBG funds
- \$1,300,000 for an additional project/projects
- \$100,000 annual revenue for capital improvement projects in water

Water main breaks are too common in the City of Oelwein. Old pipes that are no longer viable continue to be used. City staff is working with City Council on a plan that allows for the city to tackle projects on the city's timeline and not because of an Iowa Department of Natural Resources Mandate, or because of failing infrastructure. Water delivery is the most important service in the City of Oelwein. City Council is committed to providing safe drinking water 24/7.

