



Minutes

Public Safety Work Session

Oelwein Community Plaza, 25 West Charles, Oelwein,
Iowa

April 12, 2021 - 7:30 PM

Weber, Fisk, Payne, Stewart, DeVore, and Mulfinger

Discussions

Mulfinger opened the meeting by informing council that he believes the fire department needs to be studied to determine its future. Mulfinger has worked with the current structure, and while it is working, he believes council needs to take a closer look as to what improvements could be made. Mulfinger wants staffing levels reviewed along with participation from the volunteers. Mulfinger believes that changes to the department should be made to help it as the changing landscape of public safety is occurring.

Fisk asked Weber if this was a good idea.

Weber felt that a review of the fire department is warranted and that while the volunteer numbers are going up, volunteers are still needed.

Weber advised that Mulfinger should take the proposed contract from Public Safety Consultants, LLC to council.

Fisk said that it will only get harder to attract volunteer firemen and keep up with regulations and cost.

Mulfinger let the committee know that he would bring the item to council April 26.

Adjournment

Dylan Mulfinger, City Administrator