



**Public Services Board Minutes
City of Marion
Thursday, August 25th, 2022**

1. Call to Order.

The Public Service Board of the City of Marion, Linn County, Iowa met on Thursday, August 25th, 2022, at 12:05pm, in the City of Marion Public Service Boardroom located at 195 35th St, Marion IA with Chairman Pro-temp Mark Morgan presiding.

2. Roll Call.

Board members present –Mark Morgan, Colleen Prokop, and Joe Spinks.

Board members absent: Craig Adamson, and Tom Padley

3. Motion to approve minutes of the July 2022 Public Service meeting.

Moved by Joe Spinks, second by Colleen Prokop. All in favor, motion carried.

4. Motion to approve to approve house pick-up request.

a. Matheny – 715 South 12th Street

Ryan talked to the PS Board about the house request made by Mrs. Matheny, and we have the signed request form and staff is approving the request. Moved by Colleen Prokop, second by Joe Spinks. All in favor, motion carried.

5. Motion to solicit bids for fleet replacement.

Ryan talked to the PS Board about the Fleet bid going to the City Council on Tuesday 9/8/2022. The Public Service department is looking at replacing 32 trucks called rolling stock from Freightliner in phase one. Ryan and the Public Service team is looking at alternative fuels to power the vehicles and is talking to the vendors to make sure this will be possible to have in the truck specifications, which will be very specific specifications for the trucks. The City of Ames' fleet is powered by renewable diesel as is ADM, City of Chicago's solid waste fleet, IDOT class 8 snowplows. There will be a phase two for specialty trucks and phase three will be off road equipment, these 2 phases will be done later. The oldest truck in our fleet is 26 years old and the average age is 16 years old, while the life of a truck used in this manner is 10 years. Motion to go to the City Council for approval by Mark Morgan. Moved by Colleen Prokop, second by Joe Spinks. All in favor, motion carried.

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6. Update on Solid Waste Study.

Ryan updated the PS Board that the site visit and kick off meeting will be 8/30/2022 and SCS Engineers will be doing the study. The meeting will start at the Public Service building, and then they will follow the trucks on their routes at this time they will be gathering information. SCS Engineers will be looking at how everything is done from disposal of solid waste and recycling, our recycling center and compost areas. The study will include agreements with 3rd parties, input from staff, PS Board, City Council, and residents. The goal of the study is better service.

7. Update on Public Services Facilities.

Ryan updated the PS Board about the Public Services Facilities. We are waiting for the screws for the existing building roof, the foam boards have been delivered and they have the rubber roof. We are looking at having the new Public Service building be a hard walled building verses a reinforced steel metal building package. Western Specialty is the contractor for the foundation repair work. The timeline for the steelwork is to start in February or March. Ryan and the City Council are in discussions regarding Construction Manager at Risk for the project. For the project to keep moving forward need to get bids out to stay within the budget, right now inflation is about 3%.

8. Other Business.

Old Methodist Church will cost about \$14 million to turn into apartments and a brewery. Conlon Construction purchased the land and building.

Maid-rite building owners and the city had a meeting on the process of the habitation on the building. With the 7th Avenue Street scape moving along the building is very visible when you enter the UpTown area.

Joe Spinks will not be here for the September meeting, but would be back in town for the October meeting,

Joe Spinks left the meeting at 12:50pm.

Talked about the Board & Main buildings.

Talked about the new park on 29th Ave and that it will get a mini pitch.

John Hughes left at 1:05pm.

Mark Morgan's Eagle Scout troop put up a new trail kiosk at Thomas Park.

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9. Adjourn.

Motion to adjourn at 1:12PM by Mark Morgan. Motion approved by Mark Morgan, second by Colleen Prokop. All in favor, motion carried. Next meeting 3th Thursday in September.

Respectfully submitted by:

Ryan Miller
Public Service Director

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