

**Public Services Board**

**Minutes**

**City of Marion**

**Tuesday, September 10th, 2019**

1. **Call to Order**.

The Public Service Board of the City of Marion, Linn County, Iowa met on Tuesday, September 10, 2019 at 12:12 p.m. in the Public Service board room with Tom Padley Acting Chairman presiding .

1. **Roll Call.**

Board members present: Colleen Prokup, Joe Spinks. Absent: Craig Adamson and Mark Morgan.

1. **Motion to approve minutes of the August 13, 2019 Public Service meeting.**

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

1. **Motion to approve commercial solid waste collection services for 462 7th Avenue.**

A request has been made by the resident at 462 7th Avenue for the city to provide collection services. The unit is behind a commercial business located on 7th Avenue. Discussion by staff and Board, suggested by staff that they use a commercial hauler. Motion was made by Joe Spinks to deny the commercial solid waste collection services for 462 7th Avenue. All in favor to deny motion.

1. **Motion to approve commercial solid waste collection services for block 12 in the Central Business District (Request from 740 10th Street).**

A request for consolidated commercial solid waste services was received from the new business at 740 10th Street (Gold Finch Eatery). The PS Board will need to review and discuss the feasibility of providing collection services in this block. Discussion by staff and Board on how to handle solid waste collection for 740 10th Street which owns lot 6 and they are on contract for commercial collection.

Option 1: have all commercial properties (710,714,720,740 10th Avenue and 958 7th Avenue) get a contract with a private hauler and all use the same dumpster. Ryan spoke with the other businesses and no one at this time wants to do commercial solid waste collection.

Option 2: have 740 10th Street go with a private hauler until the alleyways improved. The Board would like Ryan to talk with the City Manager to come up with a long term plan. Motion was made by Tom Padley to deny commercial solid waste collection for block 12 in the Central Business District, but have Gold Finch continue with the private commercial service and leave the dumpster where it is. All in favor, motion carried.

1. **Motion to approve revisions to solid waste collection routes.**

With continued residential growth, staff is recommending some modifications to curbside refuse schedules that will include changes in collection days for some residents.

Ryan update the board on how many solid waste route we have on each day and how the changes will affect the routes. We currently have 4 routes on Monday, Thursday and Friday and 5 routes Tuesday and 6 routes on Wednesday for a total of 23 routes. With the change we will have 4 routes on Monday and 5 routes on Tuesday to Friday and keep the number of houses at 500 per route. Ryan also talked about now is the time to look at automated collection for the routes. This is a good time to look into this because we need to purchase new trucks and need to plan so we buy smart and look at the future growth of the city. Motion was made by Joe Spinks to approve revisions to the solid waste collection routes. All in favor, motion carried.

1. **Update regarding Eco Industrial Park (site visit for Board Members – weather permitting).**

Weather permitting, Board members have the opportunity to tour the construction site. The building pad has been placed and underground utilities continue to be installed. Ryan updated the Board about the progress made on the Eco Industrial Park: our crew installed the drain tiles, the geothermal installation is about 70% complete, sanitary sewer has been completed. Footing will be started in about 2 weeks, with Delaney Concrete Construction getting the bid. The steel building should start in November 2019. The mechanical bids will go out next. The Fire Department approved a CNG generator, but we are looking at all options before a final decision is made. Ryan and the Board has postponed the site tour until the weather dries out and we have a full board present.

1. **Other Business.**

New business: the new chief of police Mike Kitsmiller and his first day will be Monday, 9/30/2019.

1. **Adjourn.**

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:50PM was made by Tom Padley. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Ryan Miller

Public Service Director

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