



**Public Services Board  
Minutes  
City of Marion  
Tuesday, April 20, 2021**

**1. Call to Order.**

The Public Service Board of the City of Marion, Linn County, Iowa met on Tuesday, April 20, 2021 at 12:06pm, in the City of Marion Council Chambers 1225 6<sup>th</sup> Ave, Marion IA with Mark Morgan Chairman Pro-Temp presiding.

**2. Roll Call.**

Board members present - Tom Padley, Mark Morgan, and Colleen Prokup

Absent – Joe Spinks, Craig Adamson

Craig Adamson arrived late at 12:38PM

**3. Motion to approve minutes of the February 2021 Public Service meeting.**

Moved by Tom Padley, second by Colleen Prokup. All in favor, motion carried.

**4. Motion to approve request for reimbursement of mailbox damage.**

**a. Powell – 5865 Winslow Rd**

The above resident has requested to receive a check for \$25.00 reimbursement towards mailbox damage. Motion made to approve the request. Moved by Tom Padley and seconded by Colleen Prokup. All in favor, motion carried. We sent a check for \$25.00 on 5/6/2021 check # 222450.

**5. Discussion on Public Service Facilities and selection of Construction Manager.**

Ryan updated the PS Board on the timeline for outside inspections to be done of the Public Service construction site. The inspections will take place May 10 -11, 2021, once this is complete the schedule for the demolition of the Public Service Facility by the city's insurance company. Once the building is removed, we will be able to move forward with the construction of the building. Ryan is going to the City Council with a new company as construction manager. Looking at a precast structure, the precast would be a cost saving due to the high cost of steel. The facility will be classified as an essential facility and must withstand winds up to 150 mph.

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**6. Update on Derecho Debris Removal activities and facility repairs.**

Ryan updated the PS Board that 150 cubic yards of waterway debris has been collected and there is still quite a bit more to collect. It is taking longer than was thought at the time of the bid, we are hoping to be done by end of May or June. FEMA will not pay for stump removal so the City will be responsible for the removal of all stumps. The Parks Department will oversee this and is working on a plan with the City Council's direction.

Ryan updated the PS Board on the repairs done to the main building tent – this has been repaired and insulation has been replaced. The Salt Tent has been recovered and bent cross bars have been replaced. The front office needs to be gutted and rebuilt, this project has not started yet, we will use this office for about 1 to 1 ½ years until the new Public Service Facility is complete

**7. Update Strategic Planning for Solid Waste Operations.**

Ryan updated the PS Board on the Solid Waste Agency has not come up with any alternative plans if the next cell is not allowed to be opened, this is the easiest option, and they are hoping to move forward with this plan. The City Council is not in favor of this plan and want an alternative plan from the Solid Waste Agency. Our current fees:

\$17.50 / month for curbside pick up

\$2.50 extra bag tag

\$40.00 / 15 minutes Bulk / Special Collection

New Fees for FY 22:

\$18.75 / month for curbside pick up

\$2.50 extra bag tag

\$40.00 / 15 minutes Bulk / Special Collection

Recycling cost are rising, and this is what is driving the fee increase.

Ryan is looking into other cities who have complete Solid Waste studies as a guide for when we do one for the city.

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**7. Other Business.**

Ryan talked about the Uptown area increasing the number of restaurants in the area, so we will have to increase our commercial collections and will move the dumpsters to a more central location in the city parking lot.

Talked about looking at sanitary sewer treatment plant for the future as the city continues to grow.

**9. Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:10 p.m. was made by Tom Padley. Motion made by Mark Morgan and seconded by Colleen Prokup. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Ryan Miller  
Public Service Director

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