



Public Services Board  
Minutes  
City of Marion  
Tuesday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022

1. Call to Order.

The Public Service Board of the City of Marion, Linn County, Iowa met on Tuesday, February 24th, 2022, at 12:07pm, in the City of Marion Council Chambers 1225 6<sup>th</sup> Ave, Marion IA with Chairman Craig Adamson presiding.

2. Roll Call.

Board members present – Craig Adamson, Mark Morgan, Tom Padley, Colleen Prokup, and Joe Spinks.

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

Moved by Mark Morgan, second by Colleen Prokup. All in favor, motion carried.

4. Motion to approve House Collection Services.

a. Grundy 2550 27<sup>th</sup> Avenue

The above residents have requested to start a house pick up. Recommended by Public Service staff. Moved by Tom Padley and seconded by Mark Morgan. All in favor, motion carried.

5. Discussion on Solid Waste and Sanitary Sewer Fees for Fiscal Year 2023.

Ryan updated the PS Board on current and future fees:

FY 22		FY23
Service chg./meter	\$2.00	\$2.00
Domestic chg.	\$4.60cf	\$5.80cf
Replacement fee	\$2.00/dwelling	\$2.00/dwelling

The main factor for the increase is due to the increase for Cedar Rapids wastewater treatment fees. We are being charged for flow and should be charged by load. We are working on getting correct data for future billing. The City of Marion is working on slip lining the sewer lines that are in older or problem areas and we are about 60% complete. We currently have 7 flow meters in place to monitor our flow to the treatment plant. Cedar Rapids is planning on a very large improvement project at the treatment plant and the City of Marion’s cost is 15% of the total capital investment.

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**5. Discussion on Solid Waste and Sanitary Sewer Fees for Fiscal Year 2023 continued.**

The Solid Waste Agency has opened cell #5 which is the final cell at the landfill, so fees will be going up and we will have to pass those on to residents. Ryan is looking at possible cost savings on electronics by taking them to Walford ourselves, we need to see if this will be cost effective. The Solid Waste Agency is looking into alternative methods to process solid waste for the future.

**3. Update on Public Service Facilities.**

Ryan updated the PS Board that the new building take down is moving along:

Project letting	2/18/22
Bid due	3/15/22
Public hearing	3/17/22
Project start	4/1/22
Project schedule	60 calendar working days

Conlon and Shive-Hattery are exploring some different materials to build the building to look at all options for the construction of the building and time frame to complete the project.

**4. Other Business.**

Craig wanted to know what can be done on windy days to prevent the recycling from blowing all over the neighborhoods, this is a problem in a few areas where residents do not have or use lids. Per City of Marion ordinance, rules about containers and lids are under Ordinance 105.9.

Mark's curb is breaking and would like to fix it himself – what does he need to do to get this done?

City of Marion is looking into new busing system outside of CR Transportation.

Solid Waste Agency is still planning a trip to Florida to look at different programs to process solid waste.

Craig went to the Solid Waste Conference in Cedar Rapids.

Joe will be gone for the April meeting.

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**5. Adjourn.**

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:18 p.m. was made by Craig Adamson. Motion made by Joe Spinks and seconded by Tom Padley. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Ryan Miller  
Public Service Director

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