



**Public Services Board Minutes
City of Marion
Thursday, October 20th, 2022**

1. Call to Order.

The Public Service Board of the City of Marion, Linn County, Iowa met on Thursday, October 20th, 2022, at 12:10pm, in the City of Marion Public Service Boardroom located at 195 35th St, Marion IA with Co-Chairman Mark Morgan presiding.

2. Roll Call.

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

Board members absent: Craig Adamson

Special Guest: Kim Downs

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

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

4. Update on Public Service Facilities.

Ryan updated the PS Board with the calendar for the bid packages for the Public Service Facilities. After the concrete foundation repair package bids went out, on August 16th, 2022, the City Council awarded the contract to Western Specialty Contractors. They should start work in November. Bids for the rest of the building will be going out by mid-December. Each trade package will have contingencies to cover overages. We are looking at other options for roofing materials due to the high cost of steel and looking at options for gas force versus geothermal (which has already been installed). When the bids are received the construction manager Conlon Construction will present the bid packages and timeline of the project to the City Council. Ryan Waller is working on the finances for the project.

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5. Update on Fleet Replacement.

Ryan updated the PS Board that the bids were due on 10/20/22 and Truck Country has won the bid. We are looking at replacing 34 trucks total, with the first trucks to be delivered in quarter 2 of calendar year 2023 for a total of 11 trucks in 2023. The goal is to deliver the remaining trucks in calendar year 2024. We will also have training opportunities at the request of the shop staff. We are looking at bio diesel / regular diesel fuel tanks. Unsure of how the current fleet will be disposed of can either trade in on new trucks or sell on our own. Kim Downs mentioned problems with Henderson Truck Equipment at her previous employer with cost of truck increasing before delivery date. Ryan stated that we will be waiting on the final specs for the solid waste trucks until after the solid waste study is completed, we currently have 9 solid waste slots for now. Ryan also stated that the specs for the engines was done separately so we could get exactly what we wanted.

6. Update on Solid Waste Study Activities.

Ryan updated the PS Board on the Solid Waste Study, SCS should be conducting the Engagement part of the survey during the month of November 2022 this includes residents, staff, PS Board, and City Council. Will look at cost of internal and external maintenance cost, cost equipment replacement, and works comp claims. Mark feels that the PS Board should back the final decision that is made and understand that I will take time to make any changes to the solid waste collection program.

7. Other Business.

A check for \$15.00 was sent to Mr. Freeman on October 26th, 2022, check #228373 with a letter from John Hughes, Deputy Public Service Director.

Joe wanted to complaint about the work on 35th St, that there is an area of 35th St towards 29th Ave that still needs to be repaired. This is on Engineering's work program for next year.

Joe will be gone for the November & December PS Board

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8. Adjourn.

Motion to adjourn at 1:25PM by Mark Morgan. Motion approved by Tom Padley, second by Colleen Prokop. All in favor, motion carried. Next meeting 3th Tuesday on November 22nd at noon at the PS building.

Respectfully submitted by:

Ryan Miller
Public Service Director

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