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Service Board

BOARD MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 18, 2025 MEETING

The Marion Utility Service Board held their meeting on Thursday, September 18, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. in the L.E.A.D. Center, Building 101, at Marion Utilities, 1540 N. Washington Street, Marion, Indiana.

Roll was called and those board members present were: Robert Logan, Chairman; Kristy Barney, Isaiah Fuller, Mike Graft, Al Green, Herschel Lewis, and Jayda Monteiro.

Also present at the meeting were: Robin Shrader, Director; Pat Pinkerton, Assistant Director for Engineering & Solid Waste; Chad Guyer, Assistant Director for Operations & Maintenance; Tiffany Snyder, Accounting/Billing Coordinator; Kyle Persinger, Attorney; Erika Devine, Council Liaison; Misty Humphries, Secretary; and Brianna Coffing, Chronicle-Tribune.

CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS

There were no modifications, additions or deletions.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Lewis moved, seconded by Reverend Green, to approve the minutes of the August 7, 2025 meeting. All board members in attendance voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

FINANCIALS

Mrs. Snyder presented the July, 2025 financials. Mrs. Snyder stated that sales for all utilities but Stormwater were above or consistent with prior years. Solid Waste continued to experience a significant increase in July over prior years, due to the implementation of the rate increase in the fall of 2024. Water and Sewer had increases over the prior year as expected with the January 1st increase. Stormwater was slightly below prior year sales. On the expense side, Mrs. Snyder explained that the Operations and Maintenance expenses were fairly consistent with prior monthly operations and maintenance expenses. Mrs. Snyder said the bad news was that the Water Utility continues with capital expenditures related to the projects. Part of the decrease in cash in July was due to the retainage payment from the construction escrow in the amount of \$168,000. The payment was made to Watson Excavating which was one of the four main vendors for the SRF projects. The Water Utility also made the semi-annual debt service payment of \$120,000. Mrs. Snyder also reminded the board that the annual payments for the wastewater bonds were made in December and June. The SRF Water loan payments were due in January and July. Overall, the capital expenditures along with the operating had been greater than the revenues. Last month, the Water utility had expended the depreciation funds to zero balances, and the Water utility operating balance was less than the desired three months of balance. This month, the outcome is the same. Mrs. Snyder summed by stating that there was a net gain for all of the Utilities except for the Water Utility. Mr. Lewis moved, seconded by Reverend Green, to approve the July financials. All board members in attendance voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.



UPDATE ON PROJECTS

Mr. Pinkerton reported that other than SRF paperwork there wasn't a lot to report.

3056 CUSTOMER REQUEST

Mrs. Humphries reported that the Wastewater Committee reviewed a customer request. The customer had come to the Board last year in July but needed to gather some information so the item was tabled. The customer brought the needed information back. Mrs. Humphries explained that the customer had a house fire which rendered their home uninhabitable. The customer requested an adjustment on sewer charges. The services on the account only consisted of sewer and solid waste. The customer brought in a statement from their electrician as well as electricity bills reflecting usage and a balance that fell well below was a minimal user would be charged. The electrician's statement verified that there was no service to the pump which runs the well so there could be no water or sewer service to the remaining structure. Based upon this additional information, the Wastewater Committee's recommendation was to issue an adjustment of \$1,296.42 for sewer charges occurring after the fire. Mrs. Humphries said that she had spoken with the customer and also verified that they were still living in a camper on the property. The customer anticipates that construction on the home would be complete by the end of the year. Mrs. Humphries stated that an inspector would have to come out and inspect the work. The customer has agreed to present Mrs. Humphries with a copy of the inspection report once it's completed. Mrs. Humphries stated at that time, sewer charges on the account would resume. Ms. Barney moved, seconded by Mr. Lewis, to issue an adjustment of sewer charges in the amount of \$1,296.43. All board members in attendance voted aye. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Logan thanked the Committee for all of the work they did on the request.

TRANSFERS & PAY REQUESTS

Mrs. Shrader said that Solid Waste was prepared to repay the loan to Wastewater in the amount of \$250,000. The Solid Waste Utility was able to repay this in large part due to the rate increase. There was still a \$260,000 loan outstanding owed to Stormwater from Solid Waste. Mr. Lewis moved, seconded by Ms. Barney, to approve the \$250,000 repayment from Solid Waste to Wastewater. All board members in attendance voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Shrader then presented Resolution 1-2025 which was a loan from the Wastewater Utility to the Water Utility in the amount of \$1.8 million. Mrs. Shrader said the Water Utility would have five years to repay Wastewater. The Wastewater Utility has the funds to make the loan. The Wastewater Utility has funds partly dedicated to the Long Term Control Plan project. Mrs. Shrader said that projects were being paced and some of those funds were not yet ready to be used so it could be loaned on a temporary basis to the Water Utility. Mrs. Shrader also stated that when the loan was repaid, the funds would go back into those projects. The funds would come from the depreciation and operating funds. Reverend Green and Mr. Lewis confirmed that the amount was \$1.8 million from the Wastewater Utility to the Water Utility. Mrs. Shrader said that was correct and explained that the resolution presented was almost identical to the loan that was just approved for repayment so this was a standard document. Mr. Logan also noted that there was 0% interest on the loan. Mr. Graft asked how future projects for Wastewater would be affected. Mrs. Shrader said that there should be an opportunity for Water to repay Wastewater before the other funds and projects were impacted. Reverend Green moved,

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seconded by Mr. Lewis, to approve Resolution 1-2025 authorizing a \$1.8 million loan from the Wastewater Utility to the Water Utility at 0% interest. All board members in attendance voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

SBOA BANK RECONCILIATION

Mrs. Shrader explained that the State Board of Accounts had made a comment the last few years on the annual audit. This proposal was a way to essentially take care of that problem by writing the discrepancies off. Mrs. Shrader said that additional information could be provided as needed, but to explain it simply, there were some discrepancies were not actual but were software created. The write off would effectively handle the issue and end the State Board of Accounts' comments on the audit. Mrs. Shrader noted that this was the only comment State Board of Accounts had made on about the Utilities for at least five or six years. She also stated that State Board of Accounts would like to see this happen. Mrs. Shrader stated that the financial advisors had been working with Mrs. Snyder reviewing the process and have given their seal of approval for this as well. Mr. Graft asked if this would end the discrepancy in 2025 or 2026. Mrs. Snyder stated that two separate transactions would have to be done to take care of the prior discrepancies and then monthly allocations would be done. Mrs. Snyder explained that the imbalance lies within Wastewater as Wastewater reaps the benefits of the other Utilities. Mrs. Snyder said that there was a plan to identify the imbalance moving forward. Mrs. Snyder also added that the discrepancies have been carried for 10 years because there was a bridge between the billing software and the accounting software that has created variances and duplicate entries. The two software systems can communicate but were not developed to specifically work together thus creating the issue. Mr. Graft asked if new software was being looked into. Mrs. Shrader answered yes. Mr. Graft said the initial question was, were we still going to be hit in 2025, but not in 2026. Mrs. Snyder said that both years should be fine. Mrs. Shrader said that at a minimum, we've been asked to have a plan for moving forward, and this does meet that requirement. As such, if there were to be a comment, it would state that the issue has been resolved and should not appear moving forward. Mr. Logan reiterated that this was an issue created by the billing software and accounting software and new software was being looked into. Mr. Lewis moved, seconded by Reverend Green, to approve the discrepancy write off as recommended by the financial advisors and State Board of Accounts. All board members in attendance voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

93246 CUSTOMER REQUEST

Mrs. Humphries said a customer request was received. The customer had issues with a failing well pump motor. The customer installed a geothermal system and with that the customer was requesting an adjustment on the sewer charges. Mr. Logan assigned the request to the Wastewater Committee for review.

SPONSORSHIP REQUEST

Mrs. Humphries reported that several sponsorship requests had been received since the last meeting. The first request was from Classroom Connections of East Central Indiana. Mrs. Humphries stated that she had not heard of this organization until the request was received. Classroom Connections has a contract with a company that purchases school supplies and whom they are required to purchase their supplies from at a discounted rate. Classroom Connections provides teachers with the discounted school supplies. They service eight counties and are physically located in Muncie. Classroom Connections looks at schools that educates students

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falling at the poverty level or below. Teachers within those schools may make an appointment to travel to Muncie and pick out school supplies. Mrs. Humphries said that she had reached out to the Director of Classroom Connections with some follow up questions regarding what schools within Grant County they serve. The Director had just emailed back answering that Classroom Connections services Eastbrook, Marion, Madison-Grant, and Mississenewa. Specifically, all eight school buildings within Marion were serviced. Ms. Barney asked how many teachers were enrolled in this program. Mrs. Humphries said that question was not answered, but teachers enrolled do have to pay an annual membership fee of \$40 in order to participate. Mrs. Humphries added that she had asked about other sources of funding. Classroom Connections does receive some state grants and grants from the Ball Brothers Foundation so there were some other funding sources. There is one staff member. Mrs. Humphries stated that she was not familiar with Classroom Connections other than what she had learned upon receiving the request nor was she familiar with the company that the school supplies have to be purchased from. There was not a specified amount on the request. Mr. Lewis asked if Classroom Connections sought out the schools or if the schools reached out to them. Mrs. Humphries said she believed that Classroom Connections advertised to schools. The schools then have to apply and the application is reviewed to determine if their school would be selected for appointments to shop. Mrs. Humphries said she did not understand what the selection process was. Ms. Barney stated that the teachers still have to pay a \$40 membership fee. Dr. Monteiro asked if Classroom Connections was able to provide an average dollar amount of how much school supplies they provided to Grant County schools or Marion in particular. Mrs. Humphries said that she had asked about the percentages but that questions was not answered. Mr. Logan asked if this was a non-profit or for profit organization. Mrs. Humphries said the website stated it was a 501(c)(3) organization. Mr. Logan said that meant the organization has to be a charitable non-profit.

The second request was from the Marion Giant Boosters. They have been sponsored in the past. The last request was in 2021, and a sponsorship at the \$200 level was granted. This year's request offers different levels of sponsorship. There was the 30 Club for \$30 which would provide a name listing in the programs. The \$75 Club get the name in the program, one parking pass, and pre-sale tickets. The \$150 Club gets everything previously mentioned plus one additional parking pass and a hospitality pass. The Purple was a \$200 level which includes everything previously mentioned plus an arena screen mention. The Gold sponsorship was at the \$500 level received everything previously listed plus a 4x3 arena sign and three Giant passes. The \$1,000 Giant sponsorship provides everything that was available including one additional parking pass, one additional hospitality pass, one additional Giant pass, a PA mention at basketball games, five arena slides, a video commercial, game sponsorship, 8x3 arena sign, and the halftime show. Ms. Barney asked how many parking passes were included. Mrs. Humphries said those were provided starting at the \$75 Club level which included one. Mr. Logan asked when the \$200 sponsorship was provided. Mrs. Humphries answered 2021. Mr. Logan clarified that no other requests had been received since then. Mrs. Humphries said Mr. Logan was correct. Reverend Green asked how much was left in the budget for sponsorship requests. Mrs. Humphries answered \$260.50. Mr. Lewis asked how much was budgeted. Mrs. Humphries stated \$2,500. Mr. Lewis clarified that there was only \$260.50 left in the budget. Mrs. Humphries said that was correct, but 10 sponsorship requests had already been funded this year and most fall requests were received in June. Mr. Logan stated that realistically there was \$260 that could be allocated toward remaining requests. Mrs. Humphries said that was correct.

The third sponsorship request received was from The Training Center. They are holding their Night of Sweet Dreams on Saturday, October 11, 2025. The theme is Building Bridges

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Together. The Training Center serves more than 85 students in kindergarten through eighth grade offering tutoring, enrichment, meals, social-emotional learning, recreation, career explorations, and whole lot more. Mrs. Humphries stated that this event was sponsored at the \$200 level in 2024. Dr. Monteiro asked if the board had donated to them this year. Mrs. Humphries said no. Mr. Logan asked if there were any other requests Mrs. Humphries answered no and asked if she could make a recommendation regarding Classroom Connections. Mrs. Humphries said because Classroom Connections take donations at any time throughout the year, she would recommend holding off on that request until more could be learned about the organization, their requirement to purchase supplies from a certain company, what the screening process was, and how it is determined which schools are selected to participate. Reverend Green asked if it was possible to split the remaining funds between the Boosters and The Training Center. Mrs. Humphries said it was. Mr. Graft said that if the split was made between levels of the Boosters' request, the sponsorship would have to be made at the \$75 level or the \$150 because nothing was received at the \$130 level. Mrs. Humphries said she would presume if a \$130 sponsorship was given, the name recognition, one parking pass, and IHSAA pre-sale tickets which were at the \$75 Club level would be provided. The \$150 level included an additional parking pass and a hospitality pass. Mr. Graft asked if the hospitality pass was for every game. Ms. Barney said every home game. Mr. Graft asked if it was for basketball games and not football games. Ms. Barney said she knew it was for basketball games but was unsure if football games were included. Mr. Logan asked if this was of interest or something people would like to do. Ms. Barney asked if a lot of employees partook and went to games. Mrs. Humphries said she did not know. Mr. Graft asked if there was an email blast that went out stating if an employee was going to the game to stop by because there's a parking pass available if it would be used. Mrs. Humphries stated with past sponsorships when the parking pass was received, it wasn't used or if a board member was going to a game they would ask if the pass was available. Mr. Graft asked if the availability was known because there was obviously a pass to get into the room. Mr. Logan asked if the pass was for one person or one entity, and how many passes were required to get into the room. Mrs. Humphries said she thought it was one pass per person. Mr. Logan asked if the recommendation was to sponsor the Boosters at \$150 and The Training Center at \$110. Mr. Graft said he was new to the group, so he was going to give his base opinion. He said that theses were nice. They were great requests, but it's on the backs of the users that we're giving the user fees that we budget. The money comes from users to give out for donations so he's not always comfortable about using OPM (other people's money) to give the donations because when you set your budget, it's from the rate payers. Mr. Graft said he has apprehension about using rate payers. Ms. Barney stated that many of those rate payers were within the community and serve on requesting organizations like the Boosters and The Training Center. Ms. Barney said with the closure of The Boys and Girls Club, there was over 100 kids on the wait list at The Training Center. The Training Center was completely free and no charge to any parent at all. Ms. Barney said she wanted to be transparent and disclose that she is the president of that group. Ms. Barney explained that The Training Center was more than an after school program. It's focused on building healthy families. Sadly, most of the families and parents are either single parents, a parent whose partner is incarcerated or an addict, have grandparent guardians, are students under adoption or in the foster care system. Ms. Barney said that the community needs this support more than ever with the closing of The Boys and Girls Club. Ms. Barney said healthy families were built by partnering every quarter with organizations like IWU, Walmart, and Dollar General who package pallets with goods that were then picked up by The Training Center in personal vehicles to transport those goods for the families. Mr. Graft said he was not negating the organizations. He was saying that it's just rate payers' money. Mr. Graft said

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he wouldn't feel comfortable taking other people's money and saying what to do with it and that's just his personal view. Mr. Graft said he could get outvoted. He didn't have a problem with what the board wants to vote. He didn't have a problem with the organization. Mr. Graft said he had, whether it's this board or the City of Marion or whoever, if it's tax dollars or rate payer's dollars, he was just not comfortable if it's not a function of this, of what we do, that's his opinion. Dr. Monteiro commented that she thinks one of the things that the board has tried to do in being a community supporter and being a fan of the community was to set aside \$2,500 out of a multi-million dollar budget for these community investments. It's a way for the board to express that they really want to work with community members. We really do want to be and do support the community as best we can. Mrs. Shrader said it was the board's decision but that is why employees and staff spend some of our time periodically volunteering during working hours, like with the Second Harvest Food Bank distribution and other events, to try and make sure that we are promoting community support and service. It's a package deal. Dr. Monteiro also mentioned that this was also within the functionality of the board. There are specific funds budgeted for sponsorship and donation. Mr. Graft said he understood that. Dr. Monteiro said she was just clarifying that the fund was established for the board to donate. Dr. Monteiro said that she understood Mr. Graft was saying the money comes from the rate payers. Dr. Monteiro told Ms. Barney that she really appreciated Ms. Barney's transparency. Ms. Barney said that she tries to be very direct and transparent. Dr. Monteiro said that Ms. Barney provided the board with lots of good information so she really appreciated that Ms. Barney expressed that. With that being said, Dr. Monteiro stated that she would vote no to sponsoring the \$150 to the Boosters and less to The Training Center solely because there's really no purpose for the parking pass and all the other things. The fact of the matter was if someone lives in City Limits, they know what Marion Utilities is. Marion Utilities' name in the program doesn't mean as much as it would to the hundred kids that were on the wait list at The Training Center which might be providing the only meal they get. Dr. Monteiro said that if the board was going to deplete the sponsorship fund, she would like to see the majority of it going to The Training Center with a smaller amount going to the Boosters. Mr. Logan added that the board did not have to approve any of the request this evening if the board wanted to defer them down the line. The board could think about them for another period of time. Mr. Logan stated that his concern was with something like the Marion Gian Boosters, it's something in the community. We, the community have needs, and we, the board, are supporting charitable organizations. The charitable organizations are generally the ones fulfilling the needs of the community. The requests here were from charitable organizations, and the board was trying to support those charitable organizations. Mr. Logan recognized that the Boosters was more of an athletic organization, but they are trying to be charitable. Mr. Lewis stated that the Boosters have a more solid base. A base that is probably more solid than a lot of the others. Mr. Logan stated that as a percentage of the budget which takes in \$8-\$10 million a year and \$2,500 was spent per year, fractional percentages were actually being discussed for sponsorships. The board tries to put back a little money to be good neighbors within the community and the employees and members were community minded. The community was served not only in small monetary ways but also by volunteering where tasks were undertaken and completed. Earth Day was a good example. Employees were out on Earth Day visibly performing a great service and not just throwing a couple of dollars at an event. Mr. Logan stated Marion Utilities and the board was physically involved in promoting these activities. Mr. Lewis added that he had been with the board and Marion Utilities for quite a while. It's one of the most well-run organizations that he'd ever been involved with. The reason was that there was activity outside of the walls, and it makes a big difference. Mr. Logan stated that the board tries to be great citizens in the community and to support the activities in the

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community both small monetarily and with physical activities. Mr. Logan stated that the board was committed to the community. Mr. Logan stated that there had been a lot of discussion. He asked if the board would like to table the requests until the next meeting. Dr. Monteiro said she moved to sponsor The Training Center at the \$200 level while declining the other two requests. Mr. Logan stated that would leave \$60 for future sponsorship requests. Mr. Lewis seconded the motion. Ms. Barney abstained. All other board members in attendance voted aye. Motion carried by majority.

CSO 009 PROJECT BID ADVERTISEMENT APPROVAL

Mr. Pinkerton said the next CSO project was the 1.7 million gallon tank out at 24th & Home Avenue. Mr. Pinkerton asked for permission to go out for bids. Commonwealth had completed the design. The first advertisement would be September 24th. The second would be the first of October. Bids would be opened on October 23rd and hopefully be read to award in December. Mr. Pinkerton said this would be on time with the IDEM agreement. Mr. Lewis asked for a refresher on the project. Mr. Pinkerton explained that this was a detention tank. Instead of experiencing overflows into the river, the tank would hold the first 1.7 million gallons for approximately 24 hours and then blend back to system. Mr. Pinkerton said he had been working on getting properties in the area for quite a few years. He said the board might remember the multicolored map that everyone loved. This project was the culmination. Mr. Pinkerton said the estimate was \$10 million. Mr. Lewis asked what the location was. Mr. Pinkerton answered that it was between 20th & 22nd Street off Clark Street. Mrs. Shrader commented that the location is somewhat hidden by trees and is hard to see. If someone were to drive by, they wouldn't see it unless they knew what to look for. Mr. Logan added that it was planned that way so there would not be any intrusion. Mr. Graft asked if 20th was vacated. Mrs. Shrader said Clark Street was. Mr. Pinkerton said that turnarounds were on 20th Street and on Clark Street on the southside of the tank. Mr. Graft asked Mr. Pinkerton if there was any interest in acquiring the old YMCA and placing a tank there. Mr. Pinkerton said no. Mr. Lewis moved, seconded by Reverend Green, to approve putting the project out for bids. All board members present voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

CSO TANK

Mrs. Shrader said that this CSO tank was located across the street and was dysfunctional. There has been some legal proceeding with that. A tentative agreement was reached. Mrs. Shrader said she anticipated having some paperwork by this evening, but that was not the case. Mrs. Shrader said that once the official paperwork was received and all the documents were put together, this item would be brought back to the board.

RESOLUTION 2-2025 LOCAL LIMITS

Mr. Guyer explained that local limits are limits placed on commercial industrial users to ensure that their pre-treatment processes or their discharges don't harm the plant or the environment at large. The EPA requires a review of local limits every three years. Mr. Guyer said he was requesting a modification to the pre-treatment program. The proposed modification would keep current local limits for molybdenum while removing lead, copper, and zinc from the discharge. Mr. Guyer stated that the request was being made because lead, copper, and zinc weren't being sent by anyone so those don't have to be worried about. Mr. Guyer clarified that monitoring for them would still occur, but a limit wasn't being set as there was nothing coming to the plant. Mr. Guyer continued that the limit for molybdenum would remain because it does need to be monitored at the Wastewater plant because of the sludge program. A high molybdenum concentration would exclude us from land application. Mrs. Shrader added that molybdenum was a heavy metal. Dr.

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Monteiro asked what would change process-wise if monitoring what comes in was still occurring. Mr. Guyer said it would not change anything process-wise. The limits were placed on the industry. The industries like this because now there's less that they have to concern themselves with. Industries don't have to be worried about this limit being put on them because historically it's not their problem anyway. The industries were not sending any of the ones being eliminated. Mr. Guyer said that if those items begin to be sent to the plant, the limits would come back in. Dr. Monteiro asked if that was in the resolution. Mr. Guyer said no. The EPA would still require a three year review. If a user starts discharging something to the plant, the resolution would have to be modified and updated. Mr. Guyer said there was a constant review. Mrs. Shrader said that there were always eyes on material coming into the plant so there shouldn't be any surprises. If there were surprises, there were other provisions in place for that in terms of the way we handle dealing with chemistry. Dr. Monteiro said it sounds like a lot of work to get rid of limits to potentially bring them back. Mrs. Shrader said that we were required to do this every three years, and every three years there would be a resolution that would state the current minimum limits. Dr. Monteiro said she was sorry that there were requirements to do all of this repetitive work. Ms. Barney moved, seconded by Mr. Lewis, to approve Resolution 2-2025. All board members present voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

WATER RATE RECONSIDERATION

Mrs. Shrader said this item went back to the financials and the Wastewater to Water loan. Mrs. Shrader reminded the board that we were in step two of a five-step rate increase process. There were a couple of factors at play here. Mrs. Shrader explained that when we were in the process of reviewing this, before the rate increase was implemented, there were somethings that could not be considered. Part of that being the astronomical back-to-back inflation rates that were experienced. Those rates were historical inflation rates back-to-back that caused costs to go up tremendously. Mrs. Shrader said as the board could see in the financial statement, we were approaching a situation that requires us to be good stewards of looking back at the rate increase and see where we are at and where we need to be. Mrs. Shrader said this was information. Conversations with the financial advisors and their attorneys were occurring so they could put together a package of what we feel like we actually need today that's going to be better for us moving forward. More information would be brought to the board for review. Mrs. Shrader said she hoped to have that information before the next board meeting to share. Mrs. Shrader said the process after the board's review was to send the information to the City Council and then refer it to the IURC for review. Mrs. Shrader reiterated that this was more informational this evening as a place had been reached where in the best interest of the modern utility to take a closer look at that right now. Mr. Logan thanked Mrs. Shrader and noted that based on what was seen tonight that couldn't come too soon.

SENIOR LEADERSHIP REPORTS

M. Humphries, Executive Assistant

Mrs. Humphries said that many had probably already heard, our former Mayor and Utility Service Board member, William Henry, passed away. There would be a memorial service tomorrow held at 11 a.m. at City Hall. The family had asked that in lieu of flowers, a contribution be made to the Henry Family Scholarship Fund at Earlham College, which was Mr. Henry's alma mater. Contributions to the scholarship fund had been sent on behalf of the board as well as employees and staff as was customary when a former board member passed away.

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ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR ENGINEERING & SOLID WASTE – P. PINKERTON

Mr. Pinkerton reported that in the month of August Solid Waste had experience numbers reverting back to pre-COVID numbers. Mr. Logan said perhaps things were getting back to normal.

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE – C. GUYER

Mr. Guyer had nothing further to report.

DIRECTOR – R. SHRADER

Mrs. Shrader shared that the pictures on the slides were from a local homeschooling group that recently toured the facilities. It was a fun time. Mrs. Shrader said she really appreciated our staff providing those educational opportunities where folks were able to come and join us on the property. The other item Mrs. Shrader presented pertained to board members specifically. She stated that it had been some time since board members were offered utility swag. Mrs. Shrader said that the board members would receive a link to order a Marion Utilities' shirt or jacket or vest. There were extensive options. Mrs. Shrader asked that those links be followed and the item chosen so that those could be ordered. Mr. Logan noted that receiving a utility shirt was not a new practice. This had been done in years past especially when new logos were involved.

BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS

Mr. Graft thanked the Utilities for turning on the water at the Marion Splash Factory today. Mr. Graft said it would be open this weekend before it was shut down and winterized.

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Mr. Logan thanked everyone for their attendance and said it was good to see everyone here.

The next meeting was scheduled for 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 2, 2025.

There being no further business before the Board, Dr. Monteiro moved, seconded by Mr. Graft, to adjourn the meeting. All board members present voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

Robert Logan, Chairman
Marion Utilities Service Board

ATTEST



Misty Humphries, Its Secretary

MARION UTILITY SERVICE BOARD MEMBERS**MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS (4-YEAR TERMS)**

Isaiah Fuller (7/2024-7/2028) Al Green (7/2023-7/2027)
Herschel Lewis (7/2022-7/2026) Jayda Monteiro (7/2025-7/2029)

CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENT (4-YEAR TERMS)

Kristen Barney (7/2024-7/2028) Mike Graft (7/2025-7/2029) Robert Logan (7/2022-7/2026)

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Kyle Persinger