TOWN OF MARION REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING MAY 20TH, 2025

The Town of Marion's Board of Aldermen met on Tuesday, May 20th, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. at the Marion Fire Station for a regular business meeting. Members present included Mayor Danny A. Smith, Alderwoman Rhonda Davis & Tina Harris, Aldermen Mark Andrews and Eugene "Bubba" Hoggatt. Guests included Chief of Police Montral Ferguson, Assistant Public Works Director Tyler Murray, and Assistant Town Clerk Cheryl Geoghagan; Alderwoman Davis, Alderman Channing Washington were absent.

Mayor Smith called the meeting to order. Alderman Andrews led the invocation, and Pete Reynolds led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Smith called for approval of the agenda. On motion by Alderwoman Harris, seconded by Alderman Andrews, the motion passed.

Mayor Smith called to amend the Agenda. On Motion by Alderwoman Harris & seconded by Alderman Mark Andrews. A group of ladies asked permission to use the Marion Triad Building to play Bunko. Council voted against on motion by Alderman Hoggatt & seconded by Alderman Andrews.

Mayor Smith welcomed guests, as required by state law, and opened the floor to public comments concerning all agenda items. Mike Estes, the town's code enforcement officer, reported that progress was being made in town with the blight issues.

The council voted to apply for the Water Sector Grant. This grant will fund merging the Litroe & Linville-Haile Waters Systems with the Town of Marion System. On motion by Alderman Hoggatt & seconded by Alderman Andrews.

Mayor Smith reported on Old Business.

The town is consistently pursuing grant opportunities and is excited about future opportunities.

Mayor Smith introduced New Business.

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The council voted to use the town-owned tower property on Main St. for storage of town equipment. Also, to construct a fence around the storage area. Previously, truck operators parked on the tower property without paying any fees. On motion by Alderwoman Harris & Alderman Hoggatt. Motion passed.

On motion by Alderman Hoggatt, seconded by Alderman Andrews, to pay bills. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the council, Mayor Smith adjourned this meeting on the 20th day of May 2025. Upon motion by Alderman Andrews, seconded by Alderwoman Harris, the motion was unanimously approved.

Danny A. Smith, Mayor

Cheryl Geoghagan, Assistant Town Clerk

