

What is the Public Works Service Bureau

The Iowa Public Works Service Bureau (PWSB) provides a resource for public works staff members from cities of all sizes to connect with and learn from others how best to improve work efficiencies, learn new techniques, and maximize available resources. Our goal is “communicate to innovate!”

PWSB Funding

On June 30, the Iowa Highway Research Board approved two additional years of funding for the PWSB. In the next two years, staff will be working hard to connect with smaller cities (please register if you haven't already!), establish permanent funding, and continue to expand our website applications. We are so thankful for the support we have received so far and look forward to what the next two years brings



Staff Changes

The PWSB is experiencing some staffing changes. Paul Lundgren, our database administrator, left on May 31 to pursue a new career opportunity. We are currently working with our HR department to advertise the database administrator position and hope to have a new person on board in September. Paul Wiegand, our director, is retiring after an amazing 51 years of public service (please see his message below). He will be greatly missed! A new director has been hired, David Carney, who comes to us with over 30 years of experience in public works and has been an active member of the PWSB technical advisory committee. David's first day will be August 21.

Help Us Help YOU!

If you haven't already done so, [register](#) as a member on the site. Once you are a registered user, you can start viewing the information we only share with registered users.

Check out all the website has to offer - street reports, financial reports, bid tab report, forums, job board (post your city's openings for FREE!), and so much more. Once you're on the site and see all of the great features it has to offer, tell your colleagues and get them to sign up as well!



Social Media

Follow us on [Facebook](#), [LinkedIn](#), and [Twitter](#). Beth has been posting weekly for the last couple of months and would really like to gain more followers. Please follow us!

Farewell from Paul

“Beth and I have been working on the Public Works Service Bureau for about five years now, starting with the feasibility study and now continuing with implementation. It has been challenging to get a new program up and running but also very rewarding to provide a program to assist public works people from cities of all sizes with information and opportunities to do their jobs better. We have over 500 people registered as members and are continually working to expand that number.



As I finish off my career and retire on July 14th, I want to thank those who have supported the PWSB and hope that you will continue to use it and tell all of your colleagues about it. Thanks again and please help Beth and the new director make the PWSB better than ever!”

—Paul Wiegand, PWSB Director

Questions?

If you have any questions about the PWSB, please contact Beth Richards (brich@iastate.edu).