



**CITY OF ALLEGAN  
Public Works Committee  
Griswold Auditorium  
401 Hubbard Street, Allegan MI 49010  
July 11, 2016**

**I. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:32pm.

**II. Attendance**

Present: Councilmember Gratz, Councilmember Tripp, Mayor Ingalsbee

Absent: None

Others Present: City Manager Rob Hillard, DPW Director Aaron Haskin, and Utilities Superintendent Doug Sweeris , Brian Vilmont – P&N, Trevor Wagenmaker - HRC

**III. Previous Meeting Minutes**

Councilmember Gratz, supported by Councilmember Tripp, made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for April 11, 2016. Motion carried.

**IV. Old Business**

**1. Water System Sanitary Survey 2016**

City Manager Hillard explained the MDEQ audits every water system every three years, and the City recently received the results of Allegan's system. DPW Director Aaron Haskin, and Utilities Superintendent Doug Sweeris reviewed the sections of the letter that were pertinent to their areas of responsibilities. John Watts asked how many lead services the City has in the system. The City does not officially know, since the services are under ground. But the City has a sampling protocol as prescribed by the State, and if a lead service is discovered, it is immediately removed from the system. Staff indicated the amount of existing pipes is minimal.

**2. SAW Implementation Process**

Brian Vilmont, Engineer from P&N, outlined the SAW Implementation Process to review the data and financial information. He discussed the interaction between the engineer, financial analyst, and staff in determining general direction. He also

outlined the process between the Public Works Committee, City Council and the presentation to the public. He indicated the next steps would be for staff to review the data and financial impact, and prepare a starting point for the public conversation. He indicated the evaluation has already saved funds in cleaning sewers, and also has provided initial reduced estimates, based on actual condition assessments. John Watts asked how much the grant was for the SAW. Brian Vilmont indicated that the grant was approximately \$900,000. Deb Leverage asked if every pipe was televised. Brian Vilmont indicated that every pipe near a manhole was televised, and if blockages were discovered, cleaning and additional video was taken to diagnose the issues farther along the pipe. Trevor Wagenmaker, HRC, reviewed the WWTP and pump station asset review portion of the SAW. He indicated the shorter life of plant and pump station equipment required a regular investment of approximately \$150,000 annually. The plant was recently upgraded, so the conditions in general were in very good shape. The Committee asked a variety of questions, including when the next public presentation would be scheduled. Brian Vilmont indicated it should be approximately one month.

## **V. New Business**

### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:47pm.

**Robert Hillard**  
**City Manager**