REGULAR MEETING OF
BOARD OF PUBLIC SERVICE
January 26, 2017

PRESENT: Cleo Anderson, Lyndon Babcock, Nancy Mahlow, Samara Morgan Shirley Rodgers, and Alfreda Schmidt.

ABSENT: John Krohn, and Dulce Cardenas

STAFF: William Brunner, Carl Denison, Chad Gamble, Dean Johnson, Andy Kilpatrick, Christopher Mumby, and Victor Rose

VISITORS: Pat Nieder

1) CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Rodgers called the meeting to order at 11:34 a.m., at the Lansing Public Service Department Wastewater Treatment Plant.

a. Roll Call
b. Excused Absences: John Krohn, and Dulce Cardenas

2) ADJUSTMENTS/APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Ms. Mahlow moved, Mr. Anderson seconded, MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, to approve the agenda, as submitted.

3) APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES:

December 8, 2016
Ms. Schmidt moved, Ms. Mahlow seconded, MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY to approve the minutes for December 8, 2016, as submitted.

4) CITIZEN COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:

Citizen, Ms. Nieder, questioned if members of the City Council ever attend these Public Service Board meetings, and if they do attend if they come on their own or does the board invite them. Chair Rodgers stated that in the past they came by invitation only, which they have only been invited a few times.

5) ACTION ITEMS:

Review and Approve the Public Service Department 2016 Annual Report: Mr. Mumby, Interim Deputy Director, started the review by giving highlights of the report. Discussion, questions, and answers followed. Ms. Mahlow moved for the board to adopt the Department 2016 Annual Report and transmit it to City Council, Ms. Morgan seconded, MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

12:01 p.m. Mr. Gamble arrived during the review of the Annual Report.

Chair Rodgers made the following statement, “The last few years the Annual Report has been better and more readable. It is way better than when I first got on the board. I think over the years this board has tried to represent the citizen perspective, in terms of having the report readable for the public and the number of suggestions we have made over the years have been incorporated into the report. So on behalf of my colleagues on the board, without their permission, I would like to thank the staff for allowing us to do what we think our job is, listening to us, and when you can, accept suggestions and changes we requested and accommodate to the best of your ability”.

6) REPORT OF OFFICERS:

Engineering Division: A written report was distributed.

Mr. Johnson asked for questions on his report he submitted. Questions and answers followed. Mr. Johnson provided a report on Lansing Street conditions and the funding needs. Comments, questions, and answers followed.

Fleet Services Division: A written report was distributed.

Mr. Denison gave a brief overview of the report he submitted, highlighting the lack of funding for needed equipment upgrades. Questions and answers followed.

7) DIRECTOR’S REPORT: None

8) UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

9) NEW BUSINESS: None

10) COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION ITEMS: None

11) ITEMS FOR THE SUSPENSION OF THE RULES: None

12) PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS: None

13) ADJOURN:

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,
Janette Tate, Recording Secretary