

Trial Balance and Budget to Actual as of March 31, 2026:

Motion by S. Rockwood, second by Brownstown to receive and file the trial balance and budget to actual as of March 31, 2026. All Communities are present. Motion carried unanimously.

Preaudit Communication Letter, Plante Moran:

Stacey Reeves announced the commencement of the annual audit. The scope and timing remain consistent with previous years, and planning is currently underway. A draft report is anticipated for the April or May meeting.

Jacobs Report:

Noah Bednar presented the February 2026 Operations Report, noting there were no NPDES exceedances for the month. He confirmed that a response was received regarding the August compliance communication, and no further action is required at this time.

Regarding plant flow, February saw only 0.45 inches of precipitation. Operations primarily utilized two biodecks and two clarifiers, though a third clarifier was brought online to manage sludge blankets. Standard 12-hour coverage continues, and chemical usage remains efficient. Overall, ferric usage was low (Exhibit 3), and Exhibit 5 highlights historically low chemical and energy consumption.

Mr. Bednar further reported that biosolids production is expected to increase in March, following centrifuge issues that slowed production in February. A hauling date has been scheduled for April. Regarding the collection system, Jacobs is currently processing 2025 data through Dragonfly and will provide the results to Mr. Alford upon completion. MISS DIG operations continue as scheduled.

Randy Pentiuk asked for clarification on the frequency of the odor complaints. Mr. Houle confirmed they occurred on four distinct days but pointed out that the lack of complaints from other households suggests the issue was not extensive. Mr. Alford added that with modern alternative communication methods people will share their thoughts but compared to other wastewater facilities SHUVA receives a minimal amount of complaints.

Mark Houle reported that the Industrial Pretreatment Program is performing well and that current violations have not resulted in financial costs or operational issues for SHUVA. Additionally, Jacobs has terminated its contract with Andritz as their centrifuge service provider due to three-month lead times; a new servicing company has been retained as a replacement.

Kelly McCabe, representing the Huron River Watershed Council (HRWC), provided a detailed overview of the Alliance of Downriver Watersheds water quality chemistry and flow monitoring programs. She highlighted the partnership with SHVUA over the past several years to coordinate testing and data collection efforts. The Alliance of Downriver Watersheds partnership, established in 2007, comprises 23 public agencies working collaboratively to implement stormwater best management practices and improve water quality. Since 2023, SHVUA has supported sampling efforts to analyze total phosphorus, total suspended solids, and bacteria. Mrs. McCabe reported that long-term data shows declining trends in total phosphorus across the lower

Huron River and its tributaries, with fewer incidents of high sediment levels. While pH and water temperatures consistently support aquatic life, bacteria levels remain a challenge. Dan Alford noted he would distribute the data and informational links provided by Ms. McCabe to all members. In response to an inquiry from Tim Neighbors regarding creek cleanup events, Ms. McCabe clarified that while the HRWC does not organize such events directly, they provide support for those efforts.

CDM Smith Billable Flow Report for February 2026:

Capacity Exceedances

Dan Alford informed the Board that there were no exceedances this past month. A discussion was had about repairs as a few meters in order to continue gathering accurate flow data..

Motion by Van Buren, second by Woodhaven to receive the CDM Smith Billable Flow Report for February. All Communities are present. Motion carried unanimously.

HRC Report:

HRC Staff Changes

Bill Davis reported that as of April 30th he will be retiring. Aaron Uranga will be taking over for him and will assist SHUVA after April 30th. Mr. Uranga was familiar with the Priority 1 and 2 Improvements project, leads the process department, is fully integrated with all other disciplines, and is familiar with the treatment plant and facilities.

Haag Tank Improvement Project

Mr. Davis reported that the survey was finalized in February and the soil boring report has been received. HRC is currently incorporating Mr. Alford's comments following the distribution of the 50% design submittal. On March 10, additional shoring requirements and structural defects were identified in Cell #4; however, the project remains within budget.

A Technical Committee meeting is scheduled for next week, with Mr. Uranga confirmed to attend. The 90% design completion is anticipated by late April.

Regarding Priority 1 and 2 warranty items, Hydro is currently in the process of replacing the screens. Monitoring of the grit system's progress remains ongoing. The spare clarifier #2 scum arm is still pending delivery. Additionally, Heaney and their subcontractors have submitted a plan to address the chipped coating at the grit tank and the sealing of mid-panel cracks in the FC4 topping. These repairs are scheduled to commence once warmer weather returns.

Mr. Alford inquired about potential plant interruptions during the project. Mr. Davis noted that while one of the grit tanks may need to be taken offline, they are evaluating the use of a suspended scaffold across the bridge to avoid emptying the tank entirely. Final operational details are currently being finalized. Mr. Bednar added that even with one grit tank out of service, Jacobs can comfortably treat grit at flow rates of up to 27.5 MGD.

System Manager Report:

Technical Committee Meeting

Dan Alford reported that the technical committee meeting will take place March 24th at 1pm at the SHVUA plant. Items that will be discussed include: the flow meter dye test results/look back calculations, collection system monitoring update and the haag tank 50% design. Jacobs will also be presenting their O&M update.

Community Collection System Permits/Part 41 Rule Changes

The Michigan Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules (MOAHR) has determined that the proposed modifications to the community collection system permits and Part 41 rule changes are less burdensome for the affected communities. These changes have been forwarded to the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules (JCAR) for final approval, though a hearing date has not yet been established.

Mr. Alford noted that the modified permit structure consists of two primary points:

1. All communities upstream of regional wastewater treatment plants will be issued permits based on population
2. Every community will be required to maintain a certified operator appropriate their permit classification.

A grandfather clause will be implemented, providing current operators a license to their corresponding facility.

Attorney Comments:

Randy Pentiuk thanked all the communities for responding with their letters of support for this year's Community Projects grant applications with Mr. Neighbors leadership.

Mr. Pentiuk reported ongoing communications with DUWA's legal counsel to explore alternative strategies for addressing PFAS concerns. Regarding the sodium hypochlorite room, MML has issued a check to reimburse SHVUA for costs associated with replacement of the bleach tanks. Mr. Houle noted that recent PFAS data for biosolids remains in the lowest regulatory tier, adding that SHVUA overall continues to meet the most stringent regulatory requirements. Mr. Alford advised that PFAS testing should consistently be conducted within the flow stream rather than on surface foam. He noted that PFAS concentrations are significantly higher in foam, which can lead to inaccurate test results.

Other Business:

No other business is to be presented at this time.

As a reminder, the next meeting will be located at Woodhaven City Hall.

Adjournment:

Motion by S. Rockwood second by Van Buren to adjourn the monthly SHVUA board meeting at 10:54 am. All Communities are present. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



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System Manager