

AGENDA
2026 IAWA Annual Conference
September 15-17, 2026 – Holiday Inn & Suite Southwest, Joliet, IL

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2026

2:00 PM -	Registration - <i>Shakespeare Pre-function</i>
4:00 – 5:30 PM	Trustee Roundtable Mixer – <i>Othello Room</i>
5:30 – 7:00 PM	Welcome Reception – <i>Lakeside Patio</i>

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2026

TECHNICAL SESSIONS – *Romeo-Juliet Rooms*

8:00 AM	Registration – <i>Pre-function Hallway Ballroom</i>
8:00– 9:30 AM	<i>Continental Breakfast will be provided at Technical</i>
9:00 – 9:45 AM	<i>“Dealing with Violation Notices”</i> Alec Messina, Partner HeplerBroom
9:45 – 10:30 AM	<i>“Introduction to the Illinois Public Service Institute”</i> Allison Swisher, Director of Public Utilities City of Joliet – Department of Public Utilities John Hubskey, Public Works Director Village of Glen Ellyn Sean O’Dell, Executive Vice President Baxter & Woodman
10:30 – 10:45 AM	Break
10:45 – 11:30 AM	<i>“IEPA Update”</i> Darin LeCrone, Manager IEPA – Bureau of Water -Permits Section
11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Lunch – <i>Montague-Capulet Rooms</i>
11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Executive Committee Lunch- <i>Board Room</i>
1:00 – 2:30 PM	<i>“Unless Something Goes Terribly Wrong” is a buddy comedy about poop and the thankless pursuit of making a better world.</i> <u>Movie Website</u>
2:30 – 2:45 PM	Break
2:45 – 3:15 PM	Business/Technical Meeting

3:15– 3:45 PM

“Legislative Update”

Mike Grady, Derek Blaida, IAWA Lobbyists
Strategic Advocacy Group

5:15 – 6:00 PM

**Jacob Henry Mansion Estates/Murder Myster Dinner
*Annual Awards Reception***

(Bus leaves @ 5 PM from Hotel Lobby) Death of a Gangster - 1920's mafia marriage murder mystery

Lucky you! You’ve been invited to the Dunn Speakeasy for the wedding of the year! In this “married to the mob” event, you’ll never know who to trust. With the two families merging together, someone is bound to lose power, which means someone else will lose their life! Get on the trolley and solve this case with your fellow detectives.

If you so choose.... dress like the cat’s meow for this mafia wedding! Flapper dresses, zoot suits, feather boas and headbands, pinstriped suits and fedoras are all appropriate.

6:00 – 9:00 PM

**Dinner/Murder Mystery/Awards and Nomination of Officers after
Dinner**

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2026

TECHNICAL SESSIONS – *Romeo/Juliet Rooms*

8:00 – 9:30 AM

Continental Breakfast will be provided at Technical

9:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

“Case Studies on the Internal Inspection of Force Mains”

Patrick Hulsebosch, P.E., Senior Project Manager
RJN Group

9:45 a.m. – 10:45a.m.

“Permits Inspection Panel/Case Studies”

Malik Carroll
IEPA Des Plaines Field Operation Section

John Kargbo, Principal Engineer (Stickney Plant)
Baldev Rana, Principal Engineer (North Area Treatment Plants)
Brian Levy, Managing Engineer
Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

10:30– 10:45 a.m.

Break

10:45 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

“Employment/Labor Law Update”

Abby Clark, Attorney
Davis & Campbell, LLC

11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.

Lunch – ***Montague-Capulet Rooms***

12:45 p.m.

Adjourn