

# BARRY COUNTY SOLID WASTE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Barry-Eaton District Health Department  
330 W. Woodlawn Ave, Hastings, MI

## Approved Meeting Minutes August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019

### Call to Order

Chairman Frank Fiala called the meeting of the Barry County Solid Waste Oversight Committee to order at 8:30 a.m.

### Members in Attendance:

Frank Fiala  
Jim Brown  
Jodi Pessell  
Duane Weeks

### Members Absent:

Ben Geiger  
Brent Cowan  
Tom Rook  
Jay VanStee  
Sarah Nelson  
Jerry Czarnecki

### Members of the Public:

Jerrie Fiala

### Approval of Agenda

Per Chairman Fiala, he would like to add the Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019 collection event right after the first public comment on the agenda.

### Approval of Minutes

Per Chairman Fiala, since there is not a quorum present, approval of the July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019 meeting minutes will be tabled until next month's meeting.

### Public Comments

None.

### Household Hazardous Waste Event – September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019

Per Jodi Pessell, for advertising we normally do two (2) weeks in The Reminder and then one (1) week prior to the event in The Banner. The layout for the advertisement is the same as it has been in the past and it is also on our website. We still have the tire grant and we will have two (2) trailers coming in for tires. We will need volunteers again for this event and Chairman Fiala stated that he thinks we should just hire staff from the City of Hastings like we did for the last event; he will check with Jerry Czarnecki from the City of Hastings to see if we can get three (3) or four (4) people to work at the September event.

Per Jodi Pessell, she will contact the Barry County Fair Grounds and reserve the dates for next year's spring and fall collection events.

### Chairman Comments

Per Chairman Fiala, there are a couple of things that are going to be discussed at the Committee of the Whole meeting on August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019 and Michael Brown asked that we review a couple of things as a committee. One being that there is no state mandate for residency of people to be on the Solid Waste Oversight Committee; of the committee members that we have right now, we have one individual from Waste Management as well as one individual from the Health Department that live outside the county and right now he is being told by Michael Brown's staff that our plan requires that everyone on this committee be a county resident. So, the recommendation from the attorney is that we could have up to five (5) people/positions on the committee that wouldn't have to be county residents. Also, there is not a position on this committee for a County Commissioner and they would like to add one with our concurrence. The committee members present did not have any objections to those two (2) recommendations.

### **Chairman Comments (Continued)**

Per Chairman Fiala, it appears to him that we are going to have update the Solid Waste Plan from 1999 and to do that we need a planning group, not an oversight group. So, he is trying to find out what exactly a planning group is and then have the county create a planning group so the Solid Waste Plan can be updated. At the next meeting where we have a quorum present, he would like to discuss whether it makes sense to talk to the county of doing something to update the Solid Waste Plan, whether or not the functions that we have been doing and struggling with like the HHW events could be officially delegated to another entity as well as getting someone that would be doing what Sarah Archer from Iris was doing as a Recycling Coordinator that could be folded into that.

### **Recycling Coordinator Contract**

Per Chairman Fiala, since there is not a quorum present, he would like to table this until next month's meeting.

### **Strategic Planning**

Per Chairman Fiala, since there is not a quorum present, he would like to table this until next month's meeting.

### **Member Comments**

**Jim Brown** – None.

**Jodi Pessell** – None.

**Duane Weeks** – regarding the attendance today, he is on a fair amount of different boards/committees and it seems a great share of those boards/committees do not normally have a meeting during the month of August because of vacations; historically there is usually a light turnout for meetings held during this month. So, in the future maybe we look at not having a meeting in August since this is midsummer time and a lot of people are not available to attend meetings during this time.

### **Public Comments**

None.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Frank Fiala at 9:35 a.m.

Approved at the 09-13-2019 meeting

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BARRY-EATON DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT, HASTINGS MI

## SIGN-IN

AUGUST 9<sup>TH</sup>, 2019

### NAME

1. FRANK FIALA BCRC
2. JERRIE FIALA Guest
3. JIM BROWN
4. JOE PESSILL MEHA Rep.
5. DUANE WINKER VOM
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### EXCUSED

### GUEST

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# **BARRY COUNTY SOLID WASTE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

**BARRY-EATON DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT, HASTINGS MI**

## **AGENDA**

**AUGUST 9<sup>TH</sup>, 2019**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**
- 5. CHAIRMAN COMMENTS**
- 6. RECYCLING COORDINATOR CONTRACT**
- 7. STRATEGIC PLANNING**
- 8. MEMBER COMMENTS**
- 9. PUBLIC COMMENTS**
- 10. ADJOURNMENT**

**HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DATES:**

**SEPTEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup>, 2019**