

BARRY COUNTY SOLID WASTE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

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

Approved Meeting Minutes September 13th, 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
Jodi Pessell
Duane Weeks
Jim Brown
Tom Rook
Sarah Nelson
Jay VanStee

Members Absent:

Ben Geiger
Brent Cowan
Jerry Czarnecki

Members of the Public:

Jerrie Fiala
Jeff Krcmarik

Approval of Agenda

Per Chairman Fiala, after Chairman Comments he would like to add the Household Hazardous Waste event coming up on September 21st, 2019. **Motion to accept agenda as modified made by Duane Weeks, seconded by Jim Brown and approved by a unanimous vote.**

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve July 12th, 2019 meeting minutes made by Tom Rook, seconded by Duane Weeks and the minutes were approved by a unanimous vote. Motion to approve August 9th, 2019 meeting minutes made by Duane Weeks, seconded by Jodi Pessell and the minutes were approved by a unanimous vote.

Public Comments

None.

Chairman Comments

Per Chairman Fiala, he would like Jeff Krcmarik from Eaton County to give us an update on some of their things as they relate to some of our things as well as an update on the Sunfield site. Per Jeff Krcmarik, if we are collecting like cardboard or loose paper, he would like us to consider if we would want to ship it to Sunfield and what would it be worth to us annually or would we want to just have our residents come to the facility and drop it off. He would like to know how we (this committee) could like to play into the Sunfield site that would optimize our collection system currently and then see how it would effect it financially and what the cost be. Jim Brown stated that he would like to know how much it would cost us per ton so that the committee can make an informed decision and Jeff Krcmarik stated that he would have to get with his Board on that and then get back to us. Chairman Fiala asked Jeff Krcmarik if his Board would maybe allow him to come and work with this committee may be once a quarter or something like that as we kind of make progress and Jeff responded yes.

Chairman Fiala stated that from a financial point of view that it looks like we would have to pay for whatever coordinator/function that we have from here on out of our fund balance so he asked Sarah Nelson if it would be easy enough every month to put in the meeting minutes what our fund balance is, what our year-to-date income is and what our projection for the year is. Sarah Nelson asked if we really wanted to look at our entire fund balance every month or if we should look at our annual budget every month because it seems to her that we should probably operate within our budget and when we want to look long-term we can then look at our fund balance and Chairman Fiala agreed with this.

Household Hazardous Waste

Jodi Pessell stated that she and Frank Fiala recently had a meeting with the Sherriff's Department, Liz Lenz, the Health Department and Jim Brown regarding the Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) event coming up on September 21, 2019. We are well staffed for this event as we have seven (7) people from the Health Department, we should have at least three (3) to four (4) jail inmates and four (4) people from the City of Hastings as well as some Police Cadets that will be working also. It will be the same operation as past events and everything is all set for the collection.

Bylaws Amendment

Per Chairman Fiala, the Resolution regarding membership has been adopted by the County Commissioners so he will have Amanda Robins email out a copy of the amended Bylaws to the committee for review and then we will discuss this at the October meeting.

Recycling Coordinator Contract

Per Chairman Fiala, until we get some of these things done he just assume not contract anything until we get a better plan than we have right now. Duane Weeks stated that he was in agreement that we need to figure out what we want to do and where we want to go first and make sure that the whole group is feeling that this is the direction we want to follow.

Strategic Planning

Chairman Fiala stated that he is almost in a holding pattern regarding the planning process until we get a little bit better direction from the State because it is really important and it needs to be a different group from this. So, he feels we would be just spinning our wheels if we try to do a whole lot of things during the interim; the committee members present stated that they were in agreement with this. Duane Weeks expressed that he feels that before the October 11th meeting there should be a memo sent out to all the committee members stating what we are going to discuss at the meeting, maybe a list of some of things that we have worked and some guidance as far as what the outcome of what that agenda item and discussion should be. Chairman Fiala and Duane Weeks are going to take a few minutes after this meeting to draft up a memo to send out to the committee members regarding this.

Member Comments

Jodi Pessell – make sure to stop out at the September 21st HHW collection.

Duane Weeks – None.

Tom Rook – he asked Jim Brown what the feedback was on the questionnaire that he sent out to the County Commissioners.

Jim Brown – the feedback that he received back from the County Commissioners is that they want the public to support that.

Jay VanStee – he wasn't at the last meeting, but it is his understanding that the Bylaws amendment is intended to allow him to serve as the Secretary on this committee; Regina Young had asked him before she left if he would interested in taking her place and he said yes he was.

Sarah Nelson – None.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Frank Fiala at 9:55 a.m.

Approved at the 11-08-2019 meeting

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SIGN-IN

SEPTEMBER 13TH, 2019

NAME

1. John Fessell MEHA Rep.

2. Diane Wickett V. Doyle of M.D. Health

3. Jeff Kromarid Eaton Co. Resource Recovery

4. Jennie Fiala

5. Franco Finau

6. Tim Brown

7. Tom Pook

8. Sarah Nelson

9. [Signature] BEPHD

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EXCUSED

GUEST

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AGENDA

SEPTEMBER 13TH, 2019

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

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DATES:

SEPTEMBER 21ST, 2019

MAY 9th, 2020

SEPTEMBER 26TH, 2020