

**Kalamazoo County
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY COUNCIL**

March 14th, 2012

Present: Fran Bell, Patricia Crowley, Leroy Crabtree, Dan Moyle, Dawn Potter-Williams, Kirsten Rimes, Mike Wetzel, John O'Keefe, David Harn and Erich Zinser

Absent: Deb Cardiff, Kathleen Buckham, Jeannie Himmelein, Patricia Randall, Jack Urban, Jim Pearson

Environmental Health: Vern Johnson, Tom Dewhurst, Heather Nicholas, Kim Steinmann, Gracie Arevalo

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION	FOLLOW-UP
1. Citizen Comments			
2. Approval of Minutes	Minutes for the February meeting were approved		
3. Review/Approval of By-Law edits	Tom went over the by-law changes. By-Laws were approved.		
4. EH updates	<p>Deb did a presentation of the proposed changes to the Sanitary Code to the BOC at the Committee as a whole Meeting last Tuesday.</p> <p>There will be 2 stakeholder groups to look at revisions to particular parts of our Sanitary Code. There will be a sewage regulation group and a housing regulation group. Kim talked about some of the changes that will be looked at for the sewage regulations</p> <p>Vern talked about some of the changes that will be looked at for the housing regulations.</p> <p>Deb is looking for EHAC member volunteers to be part of either the sewage or housing regulation group.</p> <p>Annual MEHA education conference will be hosted in Kalamazoo on March 28-30 at the Radisson</p>	<p>Francis Bell & Pat Crowley volunteer for sewage group</p> <p>Dawn Potter-William & John O'Keefe volunteer for the housing group</p>	Deb will have more information on meeting times
5. Member Comments	<p>David- There will be a DEQ presentation on Reinventing the State's Cleanup and Redevelopment Program - March 15, 2012</p> <p>Pat- She did a presentation on high ground water levels in</p>	Gracie will send out the information via email on the DEQ presentation	

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	<p>Kalamazoo County. She had a colorful graph the showed the different water levels for Kalamazoo County. This is an educational tool to homeowners as a guide of what they should think about before they build.</p> <p>Francis- He asked if there were any changes to gray water Kim stated that Gray water is sewage and needs to go through septic system.</p> <p>Daniel- Wanted an updated on the Meds collection Tom talked about Red Med Box program. He mentioned hours and location of these boxes. Med bottle and content get incinerated off site. Overall program is going well</p> <p>John- Had a booth at Home expo and had a great turn out.</p>		