

**Kalamazoo County  
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY COUNCIL**

April 11, 2012

Present: Fran Bell, Kathleen Buckham, Deb Cardiff, Patricia Crowley, Jeannie Himmelein, Dan Moyle, Dawn Potter-Williams, Jim Pearson, John O’Keefe, David Harn and Erich Zinser

Absent: Leroy Crabtree, Patricia Randall, Kirsten Rimes, Jack Urban, Mike Wetzel,

Environmental Health: Vern Johnson, Gracie Arevalo

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION	FOLLOW-UP
1. Approval of Minutes	Minutes for the March meeting were approved		
2. Citizen Comments			
3. EH updates	<p>Changes to by laws are moving along. It is on the agenda of the commissioners meeting on 4/17/12.</p> <p>There are 2 vacant positions at EH. No intention of filling these positions until budget is evaluated.</p> <p>Carol Beaver will be presenting on 5/9/12 She is a graduate from Western Michigan University in the Biological Sciences Bacteria Source Tracking grant. Looking at E. coli and DNA typing for indicators of e. coli. The target is Bear Creek, Arcadia Creek. She is winding up the research. There are a couple ideas on what to do with information</p> <p>Gracie was awarded for a nonmember award at MEHA for her service and participation in translations.</p>	Gracie will distribute a signed PDF copy.	
4. Sanitary Code Edit	<p>Board of commissioners gave the ok to move forward with Sanitary Code. 2 memos have been completed, a Non Community Type II Enforcement Policy and Food Service Enforcement Policy. Meth and pool regulations revisions have been completed. Deb is waiting to hear from corporate council for revisions and assure there aren’t any legal implications. We are in the process on preparing information to be sent out for the housing regulation’s chapter. Jennifer Kosak is will take care of this. Deb has</p>	<p>Packages of information to anyone who volunteer to participate in the housing and sewage regulations committee.</p>	

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	<p>contacted everyone for the old sewage regulations committee and most of them want to participate again. Meeting is scheduled for May 11<sup>th</sup>.</p> <p>Pat asked about remote monitoring in beaches for bacteria. Pat stated that there might be a way that the state and county could work together to do this type beach monitoring.</p> <p>Deb said she is not familiar with the monitoring</p> <p>Jim asked if state and county do joint monitoring on beaches.</p> <p>Deb stated that as of now the county is not doing joint monitoring. Kalamazoo County has its own beach monitoring program. EH had to scale back all of the surface water monitoring due to short staff.</p>		
4. Member Comments	<p>Kathy- Seeding sale will be on April 19th</p> <p>Jeannie- MSU Extension is offering training for technicians for the MEAP program. They just finished a 3 hour webinar and hands on training. She has 1 more to do with on the east side of the state</p> <p>MSU and the dept. of Ag Engineering are offering the greenhouse auditor for energy audit training. This process will begin the middle of May</p> <p>Deb asked if the trainings for the greenhouse free.</p> <p>Jeannie said the MEAP is free.</p> <p>David- CSI webinar is recorded on website.</p> <p>There are amendments for part 213 which is the Leaking Underground Storage Programs that have been pushed into legislature by the stake holders. They have made it through the Senate and are expected to be approved by the House to become affected by the summer.</p> <p>Allegan County's MDOT sludge that came out of the Kalamazoo River did follow procedures. Everything was fine and they are permitted.</p>		