

**Kalamazoo County
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY COUNCIL**

Meeting Minutes
April 10, 2019
9:00 AM-10:00 AM
Health and Community Services
311 East Alcott St- Room 361- Kalamazoo, MI 49001

Members Present: Vern Johnson, Francis Bell, Patricia Crowley, Jeff Sorensen, Shannan Deater, Jim Pearson, David Harn, Meredith Place, Julie Pioch, Kristi Lloyd, Mike Leeuw, Claudette Reid, Michael Boersma

Members Absent: Andrew Nieboer, Louis Parker III

Environmental Health: Lucus Pols, Jeff Reicherts, Doug Potter, Aaron Hoogenboom, Leah Erlandson, Jeff Parsons

Also attending: Dan Wood, Tom Brennan-KCRC, Dr. Jordan Bailey with MDHHS

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION	FOLLOW-UP
1. Welcome - Introductions			
2. Citizen Comments			
3. Approval of Minutes	Minutes were approved with amendments for March 13, 2019.		
4. PFAS Update:	David Harn-MDEQ Shared PFAS Hydro-Geological study updates on Richland and Parchment. He shared where MDEQ has well testing sites and what homes in Richland and Parchment are currently effected by PFAS and how it has migrated over time from the original contamination sites. Jeff Reicherts shared counts on how many PFAS filtration systems and replacement filters have been provided to Richland and Parchment residents.		

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	<p>It was discussed how there needs to be a better long term solution other than the filtration systems. Richland and Parchment are looking at extending their municipal water systems to include the homes impacted by PFAS. The current proposal provides all the funds needed to extend municipal water and provide home connections. However, if the home owner chooses to wait, they would have to pay the hook up charge in the future.</p> <p>Dr. Jordan Bailey from MDHHS was available to answer questions about PFAS. She explained how standard PFAS levels were determined through testing on animals. She also shared how PFAS is found in many items that are commonly used without being known, since it does not have to be listed on the label of the item.</p>		
5. EH Program Updates	<p>Vern Johnson-Burroughs Corporations submitted their deposit toward their GURZ. They plan to submit their formal application in the near future.</p> <p>EH is performing seasonal monitoring on mosquitos and ticks checking for the Zika virus. They plan to present later this summer about their findings on the study.</p>		
5. Member Comments	<p>Shannan Deater-Shared information regarding Lead & Copper Programs in City of Parchment</p> <p>Meredith Place-Board of Commissioners will be deciding on for the new Court buildings that will either include Administration or not. The BOC is also working on a new subcommittee that will be deciding if they will allow drilling in County Parks.</p> <p>Michael Boersma-The Road Commission is working on raising the road heights in Texas Township to keep them open.</p>		

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	<p>Pat Crowley-Invited anyone interested in learning more about real time water monitoring sampling reporting to join her at U of M.</p> <p>Claudette Reid-City of Portage has purchased a second water pump.</p> <p>Vern Johnson-Next meeting there will not be any agenda's or pending minutes printed, to be more Environmental mindful. It will be up to members to print and bring their own if they choose. We will also find an alternative to the plastic coffee stir sticks.</p> <p>Jim Pearson-Trying to work on coming up with funding for Consolidated Dispatch Center.</p> <p>Jeff Sorensen- Working on 3000ft of Sewer in Cooper Township</p> <p>Next meeting is Wednesday, June 12, 2019.</p>		