



# Barry-Eaton District Health Department

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Minutes of the Barry-Eaton District Board of Health  
January 17, 2025  
330 W. Woodlawn Avenue, Hastings, MI 49058  
1:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order	The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Campbell at 1:00 pm
2. Pledge of Allegiance	All present joined for the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Attendance Roll Call	<p>Board Members Present: Commissioner Catherine Getty, Commissioner Jim Mott, Commissioner Bob Teunessen, Commissioner Jane Whitacre, Commissioner Bruce Campbell and Commissioner Keith Barber.</p> <p>Staff Present: Colette Scrimger (Health Officer), Rebekah Condon (Operations Manager), Kali Nichols (Personal and Community Health Director), and Jay VanStee (Environmental Health Director).</p>
4. Motion to Approve the Agenda (ACTION)	<p>Motion by Commissioner Tuenessen, Supported by Commissioner Whitacre</p> <p>All ayes, motion carries.</p>
5. Annual By-Law Review and Rules of Conduct (ACTION)	<p>Motion by Commissioner Mott, Supported by Commissioner Getty to</p> <p>All ayes, motion carries.</p>
6. Elect Board Chair and Vice Chair (ACTION)	<p>Commissioner Campbell nominates Commissioner Getty to serve as Board Chair. Supported by Commissioner Tuenessen.</p> <p>Roll Call Vote:</p> <p>Commissioner Catherine Getty: Aye, Commissioner Jim Mott: Aye, Commissioner Bob Teunessen: Aye, Commissioner Jane Whitacre: Aye, Commissioner Bruce Campbell: Aye and Commissioner Keith Barber: Aye.</p> <p>Motion Carries – Commissioner Getty is elected new Board Chair and assumes control of the meeting.</p> <p>Commissioner Barber nominates Commissioner Mott to serve as Vice Chair. Supported by Commissioner Tuenessen.</p>



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	<p>Roll Call Vote:</p> <p>Commissioner Catherine Getty: Aye, Commissioner Jim Mott: Aye, Commissioner Bob Teunessen: Aye, Commissioner Jane Whitacre: Aye, Commissioner Bruce Campbell: Aye and Commissioner Keith Barber: Aye. Motion Carries.</p>
7. Approve the Annual Meeting Schedule (ACTION)	Motion by Commissioner Mott, Supported by Commissioner Barber. All ayes, motion carries.
8. Approve the December 13, 2024, Board Meeting Minutes (ACTION)	Motion by Commissioner Tuenessen, Supported by Commissioner Campbell to approve the December 13, 2024 meeting minutes as provided. All ayes, motion carried.
9. Limited Public Comment	None
10. Finance Report	<p>Colette Scrimger (Health Officer) reviewed the monthly financial statement.</p> <p><u>Motion to approve the Payables in the amount of \$542,243.29</u></p> <p>Motion by Commissioner Tuenessen, Supported by Commissioner Campbell to approve the payables for \$542,243.29.</p> <p>Roll Call Vote:</p> <p>Commissioner Catherine Getty: Aye, Commissioner Jim Mott: Aye, Commissioner Bob Teunessen: Aye, Commissioner Jane Whitacre: Aye, Commissioner Bruce Campbell: Aye and Commissioner Keith Barber: Aye. Motion Carries.</p>
11. Standing Reports	<p>a. Environmental Health Division</p> <p>i. Baltimore Terrace Sewage Failure</p> <p>David Comeau (Environmental Health Supervisor) gave an overview of the septic failure at Baltimore Terrace. He reported that sewage was on the ground last Thursday (01/09/2025) since then 95,000 gallons of sewage have been pumped out of the existing system and off the ground. We are working with</p>



	<p>EGLE to make the septic system functional. There is no risk to public health at this time. David noted concerns about long term housing and outlined state and internal partnerships that were in place to help the residents of Baltimore Terrace, if needed. Board members asked questions and engaged in discussion.</p> <p>b. Personal and Community Health Division</p> <p>i. Pertussis in Michigan</p> <p>Laura Brown (Personal and Community Health Supervisor) gave a presentation to the board which outlined signs/symptoms, risk factors, treatment and local data about the current pertussis outbreak in Michigan. Board members asked questions and had discussion regarding pertussis.</p> <p>ii. RSV Immunizations for Infants</p> <p>Megan Newton (Public Health Nurse) updated the board about RSV and its impact on our community she discussed signs, symptoms, risk factors and treatment she outlined United States data and how BEDHD is tackling this respiratory disease in our community.</p>
12. Health Officer Report	<p>a. Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB) Site Visit Update</p> <p>Colette Scrimger (Health Officer) gave an update on the Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB) site visit and reaccreditation process. We are hopeful for full re-accreditation and should have results in mid-March.</p> <p>b. Union Contracts</p> <p>Colette Scrimger (Health Officer) also updated the board on union contracts which were ratified by the board at the December 2024 meeting. They have since been ratified by all bargaining units. Colette also acknowledged the receipt of a letter from staff, she is investigating the allegations further.</p> <p>c. CDC Overdose to Action (OD2A) carry forward funding plan</p>



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	<p>Colette Scrimger (Health Officer) presented the board with the plan for carryover funds in the amount of \$490,906. The plan is approved by the CDC and we will move forward with plan execution.</p> <p><u>Motion to Approve CDC OD2A carry forward funding</u></p> <p>Motion by Commissioner Whitacre, Supported by Commissioner Campbell to implement the carry forward plan presented by Colette Scrimger. All Ayes, Motion Carries.</p>
13. Other Business	None
14. Adjournment	Chairperson Getty adjourned the meeting at 2:06 pm

Catherine Getty, Chair  Colette Scrimger, Health Officer 

NEXT MEETING: February 21, 2025 in Charlotte, MI

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