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Minutes of the Barry-Eaton District Board of Health
February 21, 2025
1033 Health Care Dr, Charlotte MI 48813
1:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order	The meeting was called to order by Chair Catherine Getty at 1:00 pm
2. Attendance Roll Call	Board Members Present: Commissioner Catherine Getty, Commissioner Jim Mott, Commissioner Bob Teunessen, Commissioner Bruce Campbell and Commissioner Keith Barber. Staff Present: Colette Scrimger (Health Officer), Milea Burgstahler (PPE Director), Rebekah Condon (Operations Manager), Kali Nichols (Personal and Community Health Director), and Jay VanStee (Environmental Health Director).
3. Motion to Approve the Agenda (ACTION)	Colette Scrimger would like to add an update on Thornapple Manor to the Health Officer report. Motion by Commissioner Barber, Supported by Commissioner Mott to add Thornapple Manor update to Health Officer's report and approve the agenda. All ayes, motion carries.
4. Approve the January 17, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes (ACTION)	Motion by Commissioner Tuenessen, Supported by Commissioner Barber to approve the January 17, 2025 meeting minutes as provided. All ayes, motion carried.
5. Committee Assignments	Commissioner Getty assigned sitting members to the Finance/Personnel Committee and Program Committee. Assignments are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Finance/Personnel Committee: Commissioner Getty, Commissioner Mott, Commissioner Tuenessen.• Program Committee: Commissioner Barber, Commissioner Campbell, Commissioner Whitacre.
6. Limited Public Comment	None



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7. Finance Report	<p>Sarah Jennings (Maner Costerisan) reviewed the monthly financial statement.</p> <p><u>Motion to approve the Payables in the amount of \$310,472.22</u></p> <p>Motion by Commissioner Tuenessen, Supported by Commissioner Campbell to approve the payables for \$310,472.22. All ayes, motion carries.</p>
8. Standing Reports	<p>a. Environmental Health Division</p> <p>i. Baltimore Terrace Sewage Failure</p> <p>Jay VanStee (Environmental Health Director) gave an update of the septic failure at Baltimore Terrace. He reported that the new drain field is running and there is no longer a threat to public health. The board members asked questions and engaged in discussion on the importance of functional septic systems.</p> <p>b. Planning, Promotion and Evaluation Division</p> <p>i. Strategic Plan Update</p> <p>Milea Burgstahler (PPE Director) gave the board an update on the strategic plan progress from 2024. She reports that we have made good progress on areas including development of an emerging threats team, harm reduction practices, technology upgrades, and onboarding materials.</p> <p>c. Personal and Community Health Division</p> <p>i. Home Lead Visits</p> <p>Liz Hatt (Public Health Nurse) gave the board an overview of the Lead Home Visiting program. She outlined how lead poisoning occurs and common cases that are found in the home. She gave case study examples and outcomes. The board asked questions and discussed how important this program is to ensure the health of children in our counties.</p>
9. Health Officer Report	a. Thornapple Manor, Legionella



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	<p>Colette Scrimger (Health Officer) gave the board an overview of an ongoing legionella investigation at Thornapple Manor. She outlined our efforts to offer resources and education. She also discussed our procedure and potential outcomes. The board asked questions and discussed.</p> <p>b. Board Education – Public Health for Governing Bodies</p> <p>Colette Scrimger (Health Officer) presented the board with the Michigan Public Health for Governing Bodies booklet. This book was created by MDHHS and sent as a resource to board members throughout the state. She also included an Organizational Chart and discussed the value of a district health department.</p> <p>c. PPHR Re-Recognition</p> <p>Rebekah Condon (Operations Manager) reported to the board that BEDHD had accomplished re-recognition with Project Public Health Ready (PPHR). This was a big undertaking by Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, Maddie Vervaeke and other staff.</p> <p>d. Amend Personnel Policies to align with ESTA</p> <p>Colette Scrimger (Health Officer) asked the board for approval to amend personnel policies to align with the new Michigan Earned Sick Time Act (ESTA).</p> <p>Motion by Commissioner Tuenessen, Supported by Commissioner Mott. All ayes, motion carries.</p>
10. Other Business	None
11. Adjournment	Chair Catherine Getty adjourned the meeting at 2:07 pm

Catherine Getty, Chair  Colette Scrimger, Health Officer 

NEXT MEETING: March 21, 2025 in Charlotte, MI

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