



# Barry-Eaton District Health Department

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Minutes of the Barry-Eaton District Board of Health  
March 21, 2025  
330 W. Woodlawn Avenue, Hastings, MI 49058  
1:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order	The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Getty at 1:00 pm
2. Attendance Roll Call	<p>Board Members Present: Commissioner Catherine Getty, Commissioner Jim Mott, Commissioner Bob Teunessen, Commissioner Jane Whitacre, and Commissioner Bruce Campbell.</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>
3. Motion to Approve the Agenda	Motion by Commissioner Mott, Supported by Commissioner Tuenessen to approve the agenda as provided. All ayes, motion carried.
4. Approve the February 21, 2025, Board Meeting Minutes (ACTION)	Motion by Commissioner Whitacre, Supported by Commissioner Campbell to approve the February 21, 2025 meeting minutes as provided. All ayes, motion carried.
5. Special Presentation from Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS)	Laura De la Rambelje, Local Health Services Director at MDHHS, presented BEDHD with State Accreditation for Cycle Eight. She explained to the board that cycle eight was used to refocus after COVID. She gave an overview of the process and outlined the strengths of the agency.
6. Limited Public Comment	None
7. Finance Report	<p>a. Review of the Monthly Financial Statement Sarah Jennings, Maner Costerisan, gave a financial update including that the Eaton County Audit has concluded with "no findings". The report was reviewed with the board.</p> <p>b. Approve Payables in the Amount of \$271,281.70 (ACTION) Motion by Commissioner Mott, Supported by Commissioner Tuenessen to approve the payables.</p>



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	<p>Roll Call Vote:</p> <p>Commissioner Catherine Getty: Aye</p> <p>Commissioner Jim Mott: Aye</p> <p>Commissioner Bob Teunessen: Aye</p> <p>Commissioner Jane Whitacre: Aye</p> <p>Commissioner Bruce Campbell: Aye</p> <p>Payables are approved.</p>
<p>8. Standing Reports</p>	<p>a. Environmental Health Division</p> <p>i. Water Protection Team Dashboard</p> <p>Amy Sharrow (Environmental Health Data Specialist) presented a dashboard that shows real time data for the water protection team using the new software, Hedgerow. Ultimately, this will improve efficiency with data review and staff workloads.</p> <p>b. Planning, Promotion and Evaluation Division</p> <p>i. Annual Report</p> <p>Emily Smale (Communication Specialist) presented the 2024 Annual Report. She gave an overview of the document and answered questions from the board.</p> <p>c. Personal and Community Health Division</p> <p>i. Board Education: ELC (Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity) Infection Prevention Roadmap</p> <p>Jill Sambaer (Disease Investigator) briefed the board on our ongoing efforts in infection prevention and our enhanced capability to provide guidance to congregate care settings in our district during outbreaks or to prevent them altogether. The board asked questions and engaged in discussion surrounding this topic.</p>



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9. Health Officer Report	<p>a. Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB) Colette Scrimger (Health Officer) announced that we had been given notice of re-accreditation from Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB). She gave a high-level overview of the process and discussed the teamwork it took to achieve this.</p> <p>b. Funding Overview – Comprehensive Agreement Colette Scrimger gave the board an overview of one of our funding sources, the Comprehensive Agreement, which is our largest contract with the State of Michigan. This funding is mostly federally sourced. This is a reimbursement-based agreement where our actual expenses are reimbursed up to the amount allocated. The board members appreciated this overview.</p>
10. Other Business	None
11. Adjournment	Chairperson Getty adjourned the meeting at 1:52pm.

Catherine Getty, Chair

Colette Scrimger, Health Officer

NEXT MEETING: April 18, 2025 in Charlotte, MI

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