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Minutes of the Barry-Eaton District Board of Health
August 21, 2026
330 W. Woodlawn Avenue, Hastings, MI 49058
1:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order	The meeting was called to order by Chair Jim Mott at 1:01 pm
2. Attendance Roll Call	Board Members Present: Commissioner Jim Mott, Commissioner Bob Teunessen, Commissioner Jane Whitacre, Commissioner Bruce Campbell and Commissioner Keith Barber. Staff Present: Rebekah Condon (Health Officer), Kali Nichols (Personal and Community Health Director), Milea Burgstahler (Planning and Promotion Director, Interim Environmental Health Director), and Sarah Jennings (Maner Costerisan)
3. Motion to Approve the Agenda (ACTION)	Rebekah Condon (Health Officer) requested that MERS delegate selection be placed on the agenda following the MERS Actuarial Report. Motion by Commissioner Whitacre, Supported by Commissioner Barber to approve the agenda as amended. All ayes, motion carries.
4. Approve the July 17, 2026 Board Meeting Minutes (ACTION)	Motion by Commissioner Barber, Supported by Commissioner Campbell to approve July 17, 2026, meeting minutes as provided. All ayes, motion carried.
5. Limited Public Comment	None
6. MERS Actuarial Report	Rebekah provided a summary of the MERS Actuarial Report.
7. MERS Delegates	Rebekah informed the Board that Milea Burgstahler was selected as the Employer Delegate and Paige Strange as the Employee Delegate to attend the 2026 MERS Annual Conference in October 2026. Motion by Commissioner Barber, Support by Commissioner Whitacre to accept the delegates as presented. All Ayes, Motion carried.
8. Financial Report	Sarah Jennings of Maner Costerisan reviewed the monthly financial statements. Salaries were on target, while contractual expenses were under budget due to the timing of invoicing.
9. Standard Reports	a. <u>Environmental Health Division</u> i. HAB and E Coli Report

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	Montana Krukowski, Environmental Health Supervisor, presented an update on the Water Protection Program, highlighting monitoring successes, key findings on HABs and E. coli sources, and the role of state grant funding. He also emphasized the need for strengthened public education and outreach to reduce confusion around advisories and support long-term water quality improvements. b. Personal and Community Health Division Laurel McCamman, Maternal and Child Health Supervisor, reported on the 3rd Annual Maternal Child Health Event in Nashville, noting over 60 attendees, 16 vendors, and services including on-site dental screenings
10.	a. 2027 Environmental Health Fee Schedule Motion by Commissioner Teunessen, Support by Commissioner Whitacre to approve the 2027 Environmental Fee Schedule as presented. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Barber – Yes Commissioner Mott – Yes Commissioner Campbell – Yes Commissioner Whitacre – Yes Commissioner Teunessen – Yes b. Board Resolutions i. Environmental Health Fee Annual Increase Rebekah presented a resolution to allow an automatic annual adjustment of Environmental Health fees based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI). Motion by Commissioner Campbell support by Commissioner Barber, to authorize an annual adjustment in Environmental Health Fees based on the CPI. All Ayes, Motion Carried ii. Environmental Health Fees and 501 © Designation

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	Rebekah presented a resolution establishing fee relief for eligible 501 ©, including waiving the local portion of temporary food service license fees and reducing the local portion of annual fixed food license fees by 50 percent. The policy would take effect on October 1, 2026, and be reviewed by the Board in 2027 for ongoing approval. Motion by Commissioner Whitacre, Support by Commissioner Teunessen to adopt the Environmental adopt the resolution for Fee Relief for Fraternal, Veterans', and Public Safety Organizations — Food Service Licenses. All Ayes, Motion Carried. c. <u>FY27 Budget</u> Rebekah presented the Fiscal Year 2027 Budget. Motion by Commissioner Barber, support by Commissioner Teunessen, to approve the budget as presented. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Barber – Yes Commissioner Whitacre – Yes Commissioner Mott – Yes Commissioner Campbell – Yes Commissioner Teunessen – Yes
11. Other Business	None
12. Commissioner Comments	Commissioner Whitacre thanked Rebekah and the staff for conducting the Environmental Fee Study, noting that the analysis provided valuable data to support fee increases.
13. Adjournment	Chair Jim Mott adjourned the meeting at 2:17 pm

Catherine Getty, Chair _____ Rebekah Condon, Health Officer _____

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