

# MINUTES

## CARD Meeting

Tuesday, July 10, 2018 – 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.  
Washtenaw County Western Service Center, Room 2010

Present: Bob Bailey, Vince Caruso, Jennifer Conn, James D'Amour, Dan Hamel, Laura Hindle, Jeff Hayner, Kathy Knol, Rita Loch-Caruso, Kent Martinez-Kratz, Shana Milkie, Michael Moran, Matt Naud, Max Pettibone, Jim Shulz

Meeting called to order by Michael Moran at 5:31 p.m.

1. We did introductions.
2. Minutes from the 6/5/18 meeting were approved as drafted.
3. Jeff Hayner, 1<sup>st</sup> Ward candidate for Ann Arbor City Council, clarified his remarks made at the League of Women Voters candidate forum. He understood that he was speaking as an individual and not for CARD and wanted to ensure that CARD members knew that. Jeff is disappointed that the city did not join the Superfund effort. Kathy Knol remarked that at an Ann Arbor Environmental Commission she asked the EPA about whether it would have made a difference in its decision-making if the city had joined the petition, and the EPA said no. CARD members noted that the EPA would not report the full score the Gelman site received, only that it had passed the threshold for Superfund review.
4. Jennifer Conn would like to organize a public outreach committee within CARD and asked for volunteers. She would like to update handouts for event tables and other materials to help educate the public about the dioxane issue. Rita Loch-Caruso (and possible graduate students), Jeff Hayer, and Matt Naud volunteered to help. If anyone else would like to help, get in touch with Jennifer.
5. No Municipal and Agency Stakeholder group (M&A) meeting is set up as of this time. Dan Hamel shared that he had been in touch with Michael Berkoff of the EPA during the last couple of weeks of June, and that Michael indicated he would like to combine meeting with CARD members and meeting with the M&A group. Kristen Schweighofer also extended an invitation to Michael but hasn't heard back yet. U.S. Rep. Debbie Dingell and Michigan DEQ Remediation and Redevelopment Division Director Sue Leaming are also interested in meeting with Michael Berkoff. We discussed the possibility of inviting Michael to the August 7 CARD meeting and then setting up an M&A meeting for August 8. Michael Moran will contact Michael Berkoff to set up logistics. [Follow-up 7/13/18: Kathy Knol sent out an e-mail to several active CARD members stating that Michigan Rep. Donna Lasinski and U.S. Rep. Debbie Dingell will schedule a meeting for September. Bryce Kelley will organize the meeting, which will be held at Scio Twp. and be chaired by Michael Berkoff. This will be an open meeting.]

6. We rescheduled the September CARD meeting from September 11 to September 4, to keep to the typical schedule of the first Tuesday of the month. This will be an evening meeting at 6:00 p.m.

7. Vince Caruso brought up the new groundwater/surface water interface (GWSWI) standard of 280 ppb stating that we should have a plan to address potential dioxane infiltration in wet basements, especially near the Old West Side of Ann Arbor. The near surface water (NSW) standard is still 1900 ppb. DEQ has done some testing, which Vince acknowledges and appreciates. Dan Hamel stated it would be possible to do some indoor air sampling using the EPA TD-15 method. Homeowners could contract with one of several labs in the area that can do the testing (e.g. Merritt, Pace, ArborTech and others,) but this would be at their own expense. The challenge with indoor air sampling is that other sources of dioxane (e.g. detergents) need to be eliminated to ensure accurate results.

8. Dan Hamel shared DEQ updates:

a. In late August/early September, DEQ will conduct surface water sampling at the same locations as the September 2017 testing. DEQ will also do split-sampling with Gelman in September.

b. DEQ received a request from Larry Lemke of Central Michigan University to do split sampling of groundwater, wells, and sediment in the bottom of the wells in the fall.

c. DEQ received an inquiry from the developers at 3365 Jackson Road (the Lockwood development) about two monitoring wells (MWs 30i and 30d) that are located on the property. Dan stated that these wells are important and that the developers are planning to protect the wells. Another well on the property is Gelman's former supply well which is now being used as a monitoring well. This well is contaminated with dioxane at higher concentrations than the other monitoring wells so we need to keep this information.

d. Sue Leaming is back as director of the Remediation and Redevelopment Division and Kathy Shirey is back as assistant director.

9. The group voted to table item #9 on the agenda (discussion of original discovery of plume).

10. Dan Bicknell reached out to Washtenaw County staff with a list of community concerns. He would like to see a champion for each concern. The County would like to use this list as a tally to keep track of progress on the dioxane issue.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m

Next Quarterly CARD/DEQ Meeting:

- Tuesday, August 7, 2018, 10:00 a.m.

Next Regular CARD Meeting:

- Tuesday, September 4, 2018, 6:00 p.m.

Minutes prepared by CARD secretary Shana Milkie with input from the CARD board.