

CARD Minutes
February 4, 2025 Meeting
[20250204 CARD Monthly Meeting](#)

The Meeting was called to order by Roger Rayle at 6:06 PM.

The January Minutes were approved by the Board.

Rita Loch Caruso moderated the meeting.

EPA Updates-

Georgia Frost was present from Congresswoman Dingell's office and we discussed the new administration, new EPA Director, and all the unknowns of Superfund sites going forward. They will be finding out about the staff who are assigned to this site soon and update CARD as their office knows anything.

EGLE Updates-

There was no EGLE staff present tonight but Chris Svoda sent in a written update for our concerns on the Agenda.

[FINAL Feb 2025 CARD update from EGLE](#)

Roger will be discussing any new information in his Chair Update.

Washtenaw County Update-

Gretchen Driskoll met with a few of the Board members last month from CARD and are hoping to get her involved and up to speed on our concerns. Beth will invite her to the CARDcore email group.

Washtenaw County staff was not present and they may have started to only attend the Quarterly meetings?

Yousef Rabhi, with the County Board of Commissioners and the Environmental Council said he is willing to take any CARD concerns to these bodies. He discussed these committees and who else is involved in these. He discussed the current lawsuit with Gelman and the County is not as excited about continuing with the Intervenor pathway, but they are doubling down on the public health code violation with Gelman. They are currently awaiting a date with the Court of Appeals. Yousef is also the liaison with the HRWC.

Ann Arbor Twp-

There were no updates.

Scio Twp-

Kathy Knol said that there was a high PFAS detection on Dino Drive and they are still looking into this further. The detection came from a MW which was on the site. EGLE is working on this with the Township and County. Kathy has asked them if they tested for 1,4 dioxane and they had not.

City of Ann Arbor-

Erin Donnolly told us that the City has a new Public Services Area Administrator, Jordan Roberts and he is getting up to speed on Gelman issues. She offered to set up a meeting with Vince and other concerned members about the wet basement issue and learn more about our concerns and the past studies and what we are interested in.

Executive Board-

Yale - Rita has nothing new but is sure that they are concerned about the future of this program with the new administration cutbacks.

Subcommittee on Allen Creek met with WCWRC to build a relationship with her and then see where this committee will work next.

The Executive Board did meet and we discussed finding new nominees for Board positions. Beth has officially put in her notice that in October (annual elections) she will be done being the secretary of CARD. She moved 2 ½ years ago and wants to become more involved with the clean water concerns in NC. If her position is not filled, the Minutes may be done by AI and the rest of the Board will have to assume her other duties.

Chair Updates- [02/04/2025 CARD Meeting-Chair notes](#)

Roger discussed the Surface Water sampling and showed us the increases and areas of concern that are above 7.2 ppb.

The Marshy Area Feasibility Study (and release of the secret sampling from 5 yrs ago) reported its dioxane soil samples in mg/kg (milligrams/kilogram) vs µg/L (micrograms/liter) for dioxane in groundwater.

This tends to downplay the amount of dioxane in the soils vs nearby groundwater. One should think 1000 ppb when one sees 1.0 mg/kg to restore the equivalency.

1 mg/kg = 1000 ppb ... 1 µg/L = 1 ppb

These are very high concentrations. There were areas of very little clay present (with high 1,4 concentrations in the clay layer), which is supposed to help with stopping the contaminant from migrating through the aquifers, another point of concern.

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

The Minutes were compiled by Beth Collins, CARD secretary