

CARD Minutes
February 6, 2024 Meeting
Via Zoom
[20240206 CARD Monthly Meeting](#)

The meeting was called to order by Roger Rayle at 6:07 PM.

The December 2023 Minutes were approved by the Board.

Jack Eaton moderated the Meeting.

EPA Updates:

EGLE Updates:

There was nobody from EGLE present but they emailed us a written update before the meeting.

[Gelman Sciences - EGLE Updates to CARD February 2024.pdf](#)

Roger went over the list they sent us.

There was discussion on the MS4 permitting and why there should not be any 1,4-dioxane into the Allen Creek stormwater system, going to the Huron River. This has not been resolved and the State and County are not enforcing this violation like CARD feels they should be. Hopefully the EPA does.

There was discussion on the NPDES permitting for a renewal at Honey Creek for the partially treated water discharge which has levels up to 7-10 ppb of 1,4-dioxane and additional Bromate in it. The public comment period is until Feb. 23rd, so CARD will be getting a committee together to send a statement on our opinion of the NPDES permit and discharge. The City of Ann Arbor will also be doing a statement. The Township of Scio and AA Twp will also come up with statements/ comments.

Old Business/ Action Items:

No updates from Washtenaw County. Kristen stated that they will be doing their annual testing of Homeowner drinking wells this year.

Ann Arbor Township has been busy but they will be working on getting an approval from the Resolution for a Polluter Pay on testing of Homeowner wells.

Scio Township has no information on the former KOC parcel. They did pass a Polluter Pay Resolution for Polluter Pay testing of drinking water wells. They will also be commenting on the new NPDES permit.

The City of Ann Arbor will also be submitting comments on the NPDES permit. Erin mentioned that the sentinel wells are still testing at non-detect. City Council just approved

another \$200,000 (\$1.2 million total spent on Gelman legal cases) for a new legal case against Gelman on the 2006 Settlement agreement.

Heather Lauver still wants us to fill out her survey, if we have not already.

James discussed some of the updates that the Legislature is working on in Lansing with the Polluter Pay bills. He thinks nothing will be worked on until this spring.

Chair Updates:

[02/06/2024 CARD Meeting-Chair notes](#)

Roger is still waiting on the EGLE database to be updated for all of 2023. Once he gets that he will update the Google Mashups and Tableau public graphs/charts.

Roger met with Erin Donnelly (new point person at the City) and Chris Svoboda to help them get up to speed on the historical CARD and Gelman issue, for their jobs.

He discussed his concerns with the new NPDES renewal.

He showed us a GM plant near Lansing with 1-2 ppb 1,4-dioxane, which is getting remediation now, and how small this concern is compared to the Gelman plume. The Gelman plume has thousands and hundreds of ppb of 1,4-dioxane, not 1-2 ppb. It is arguably the largest 1,4-dioxane contamination in the country.

Roger is always looking for some people to help him with his tasks and graphs, etc. If anyone wants to volunteer with him, please contact him.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

The Minutes were compiled by Beth Collins, CARD secretary