

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION AGENDA**

**Wednesday, October 17, 2018 – 7:00 PM
Denton Room**

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Chairman Brownlee	_____	Commissioner Merritt	_____
Commissioner Ross	_____	Commissioner Emekpe	_____
Commissioner Debuck	_____	Board Representative White	_____
Commissioner Gibson	_____	Director Akers	_____
Director Best	_____	Recording Secretary Halstead	_____

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

1. August 15, 2017 Minutes

COMMUNICATIONS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Open Discussion

- a. Lake Drawdown
- b. Eurasian Milfoil
- c. Cadillac Asphalt

NEW BUSINESS

Open Discussion

- a. Algae Bloom
- b. Fish Advisory

ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENT

ADJOURNMENT

***** If you are unable to attend, please contact Developmental Services at 699-8913 before noon on October 17, 2018*****

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DRAFT - MINUTES

The meeting was call to order at 7:05 pm in the Denton Room by Chairman Brownlee

ROLL CALL:

Present: Commissioner Brownlee, Commissioner Ross, Commissioner Debuck, Commissioner Gibson,
Commissioner Emekpe, Board Representative White
Staff: Director Akers, McGuire
Absent Excused: Commissioner Merritt
Audience: 1

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion Commissioner Gibson, support Commissioner Debuck. Motion Carried

ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

Motion Board Representative White, seconded Commissioner Emekpe with modification of Commissioner Gibson being excused from the June 20, 2018 meeting Motion Carried

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Waste Management Land Fire Update – Director Akers referred to Email sent July 31 to Director Best. Woodland Meadows had a fire on July 25th and was able to contain and extinguish the fire without assistance from the Van Buren Fire Department. Woodland Meadows is investigating the cause, but smoldering bar-b q coals are usually the culprit. Members can be placed an updating list from Kathleen Klein (kklein2@wm.com) this provides immediate updates of things going on.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Lake Drawdown Update – Director Best is working with our partners to formulate a plan that would be necessary to drawdown the lake along with permits required by state. Once all the information is received, the project would be presented to the Board of Trustees. Commissioner Brownlee asked for a timeline when would the project would be presented to the Board of Trustees. Director Akers indicated that it would be based on the response from the Dam Operators.
2. Coal Tar Brochure – 7,700 brochures processed and waiting for post office to provide mass mailing rates so they can be mailed out.
3. Pipe Runoff at Cadillac Asphalt. Commissioner Gibson explained there is a large discard drainage from Cadillac Asphalt and when there is a heavy rain it floods the dip on North Service Dr and drains into Willow Drain. Commissioner Gibson inquired about their on-site storm water system. Per original plans they can have stock piling with a 50-foot setback from the property line. Wayne County tests for e-coli bacteria and recently shut down the Van Buren Beach because of high levels of the e-coli bacteria. Director Akers stated that there appears to be other areas of testing which was completed by the Huron River Watershed Council, but that he was unable to see results since 2016.

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September 4, 2018

Mr. Matthew Best
Van Buren Township
46425 Tyler Rd.
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Re: Cadillac Asphalt, Rawsonville Plant

Dear Mr. Best:

As we discussed, this letter is to confirm the track out and storm water controls in place at our facility at 1785 Rawsonville Rd. In accordance with our Air Permit we utilize a street sweeper to cleanup track out from our facility. Typically the plant roadways, entrance and exit to the Service Drive is swept several times per week while the plant is in operation.

We also have a NPDES Storm Water permit and plan for this location. We do on occasion discharge storm water from permitted outfalls. Our best management practices for this site include settling, vegetation cover and a Jtube on our retention pond outlet. In addition, we inspect the outfall locations quarterly. We also complete visual assessments of the discharge water after a storm event in accordance with our NPDES permit. We are not aware of any unusual characteristics with our storm water discharge.

Please let me know if you need further information or have any questions, I can be reached at 734-777-3647.

Sincerely,



Susanne Hanf
Environmental Engineer