

**GREENE COUNTY
BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES
January 9, 2025**

The Greene County Board of Health met in regular session on Thursday, January 9, 2025, in Conference Room 124 of the health district office. The meeting convened at approximately 6:30 p.m. In attendance: Jane Clifton, President; Sylvia Ellison, Vice President; Scott Hammond, Connie Helmuth, William Harden, Marty Larson, Angelia Mickle, DNP; Ratna Palakodeti, M.D.; Andrew Root, Nancy Terwoord, David Thompson. Excused: Timothy Roop. Employees in attendance: Melissa Howell, Health Commissioner; Noah Stuby, Deputy Health Commissioner; Kevin Sharrett, M.D., Medical Director; Shadrick Adams; Jennifer Barga, Olivia Detty, and Sheryl Wynn.

Ms. Clifton called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA/MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

#25-01-09-02. Mr. Clifton moved to adopt the consent agenda, including the December 5, 2024, meeting minutes.

Mr. Hammond moved to approve the consent agenda and December 5, 2024, meeting minutes. Ms. Ellison seconded the motion.

The motion was carried by acclamation.

PRESENTATION

Tonight's presentation was *GuardCare* by Ms. Jennifer Barga, GCPH Community Health Services Director, and Ms. Shery Wynn, GCPH Planning Promotion and Preparedness Director. Ms. Barga and Ms. Wynn shared the history of GuardCare, the overview of services that were provided during the event and who provided these services, and all the partnerships and support throughout the community that made this event possible.

GuardCare was a two-day no cost event that took place on August 10, 2024, through August 11, 2024, at the Greene County Career Center. During the event, 1028 community members were served with \$604, 133.10 in fair market value medical care delivered.

The presentation lasted 24 minutes.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Deputy Health Commissioner Stuby reviewed the December income and expenditure report, the December voucher summary and appropriation transfers, and the fund transfers/temporary advances. This month's financial reports also included a fund-to-fund transfer that was supposed to be included in the November Board of Health meeting but was not. There were no questions about the financial reports presented.

#25-01-09-01. Ms. Helmuth moved approval of the income and expenditure report, voucher summary, appropriation transfers, fund transfers/temporary advances, and the November fund-to-fund transfer. Mr. Hammond seconded the motion.

The motion was carried by acclamation.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A vote was taken by board members to enter an executive session. A roll call was taken by Ms. Detty. Each board member was asked to vote with a “yes” or “no”.

Ms. Clifton - “yes”
Ms. Ellison - “yes”
Mr. Hammond - “yes”
Mr. Harden - “yes”
Ms. Helmuth - “yes”
Mr. Larson - “yes”
Ms. Mickle - “yes”
Dr. Palakodeti - “yes”
Mr. Root - “yes”
Ms. Terwoord - “yes”
Mr. Thompson - “yes”

The Board of Health meeting entered executive session per ORC 121.22 (G)(3) at 7:05 p.m. after roll call was taken. The executive session ended at 7:17 p.m. when Ms. Clifton stated that the meeting was back on record. No action was taken.

GOVERNANCE REPORTS

Governance Committee – No report.
Performance and Evaluation Committee – No report.
Planning and Finance Committee - No report.

NEW BUSINESS

The city of Xenia requests the release of the delinquent and current taxes owed to GCPH on two residential properties. The estimated delinquent taxes owed to GCPH on these properties is less than \$100.00.

- 476 E. Second Street (M40000200120014200)
- 251 S Columbus Street (M40000200120041800)

#25-01-09-03- Ms. Ellison moved for approval to release of the delinquent and current taxes owed to GCPH on 476 E. Second Street and 251 S. Columbus Street in Xenia.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Continuing education completion certificates were given to all board members for their continuing education in 2024.

Ms. Clifton announced that the Board of Health committees for 2025 will remain the same since she did not hear from anyone requesting to change committees.

Dr. Sharrett gave an update on the bird flu situation. He stated that the first person to die from bird flu in the United States was a patient in Louisiana. The virus was isolated in a Greene County backyard flock and has not spread from human to human. He also shared that there are a lot of respiratory viruses and noroviruses going around with viral season kicking in to full gear.

Health Commissioner Howell added that two individuals were monitored in Greene County, and we are actively monitoring the situation.

Ms. Terwoord asked for an update on filling Mr. William Beeman's Board of Health position. Health Commissioner Howell told the board that she and Deputy Health Commissioner Stuby are actively working on trying to fill the position.

The entire Board of Health recognized and praised Mr. William Beeman's many years of service not only to the board but also to the community.

There being no further business, the Greene County Board of Health meeting for January 9, 2025, adjourned at approximately 7:43 p.m.



Jane Clifton, President



Melissa Howell, Secretary