

**GREENE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH**  
**MINUTES**  
**March 7, 2024**

The Greene County Board of Health met in regular session on Thursday, March 7, 2024, in Conference Room 124 of the health district office. The meeting was called to order at approximately 6:33 p.m. In attendance: Jane Clifton, President, Sylvia Ellison, Vice President; William Beeman, Marty Larson, J. Andrew Root, and Mark Walsh, M.D. Excused: Scott Hammond, William Harden, Connie Helmuth, Angelia Mickle, DNP, Kathy Saunders, Nancy Terwoord, and David Thompson. Employees in attendance: Melissa Howell, Health Commissioner, Noah Stuby, Deputy Health Commissioner, Kevin Sharrett, M.D., Medical Director; Shadrick Adams, Jennifer Barga, Carla DeBrosse, Donna Jenkins, Donald Shontz, and Sheryl Wynn. Guest in attendance: Tim Roop, Jessica Darnell, CNP, and Brian Darnell

Ms. Clifton called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m., recognizing our guests in attendance. Ms. Clifton announced that a quorum was not present during tonight's meeting. Consequently, no decisions will be made, and the meeting will be rescheduled. Ms. Clifton stated we will proceed with the presentation, and any additional business.

**PRESENTATION**

Mr. Donald Shontz, Registered Environmental Health Specialist, Greene County Public Health (GCPH) provided the presentation this evening titled: *Mosquito Control*. Mr. Shontz reviewed the health department's current capabilities and future changes which includes using drones for barrier treatments and Artificial Intelligence (AI) to locate breeding hot zones. The presentation began at 6:35 p.m.; ended at 6:45 p.m.

**ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

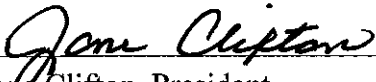
Dr. Sharrett discussed the recent changes the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention made regarding the guidelines for isolation. People who test positive for Covid no longer need to isolate for five days. The new guidance now matches public health advice for flu and other respiratory illnesses: Stay home when you are sick but return to school or work once you are feeling better, and you have been without a fever for 24 hours.

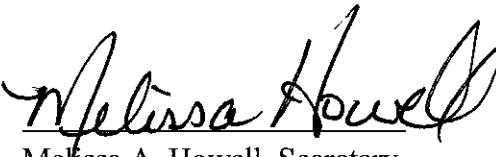
Dr. Sharrett also discussed the uptick in Covid and respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) cases he is seeing in his office, and mentioned the recent measles case in Montgomery County, was a child. The Ohio Department of Health (ODH) was working with the local officials to figure out who might have been exposed. They are not aware of any more cases.

Health Commissioner Melissa Howell reminded the board the District Advisory Council will hold its annual meeting on Tuesday, March 19, 2024, 6:00 p.m., and the employee appreciation breakfast & recognition will be held on April 4, 2024, 8:30 a.m.

Health Commissioner Melissa Howell announced that Ms. DeBrosse will be contacting board members to reschedule the meeting.

The March 7, 2024, Greene County Board of Health meeting adjourned at approximately 6:54 p.m. due to lack of a quorum.

  
Jane Clifton, President

  
Melissa A. Howell, Secretary