

GREENE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH
MINUTES
December 7, 2023

The Greene County Board of Health met in regular session on Thursday, December 7, 2023, in Conference Room 124 of the health district office. The meeting convened at approximately 6:30 p.m. In attendance: Mark Walsh, MD, President, David Thompson, Vice President; William Beeman, Jane Clifton, Scott Hammond, William Harden, Marty Larson, Angelia Mickle, DNP, Andrew Root, and Nancy Terwoord. Excused: Sylvia Ellison, Connie Helmuth, and Kathy Saunders. Employees in attendance: Melissa Howell, Health Commissioner, Noah Stuby, Deputy Health Commissioner, Kevin Sharrett, M.D., Medical Director; Jennifer Barga, Carla DeBrosse, Jillian Drew, Jeff Webb, and Sheryl Wynn.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA/MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

#23-12-07-02. Ms. Terwoord moved to adopt the consent agenda, including the minutes of the November 2, 2023, Greene County Board of Health meeting, and the monthly activity report. Mr. Thompson seconded the motion. Ms. Terwoord expressed her appreciation for the health department's efforts in training interns, as evidenced by the activity report's statistics on completed and ongoing internships.

The motion carried by acclamation.

PRESENTATION

The presentation for the evening was *The Strategic Plan* provided by Ms. Jillian Drew, Accreditation Coordinator. The presentation ran from 6:35 p.m., through 6:45 p.m.

After the presentation, a conversation took place regarding the new legislation on marijuana usage. Health Commissioner Howell provided satisfactory answers to the board's inquiries.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Mr. Stuby provided an overview of the financial reports and answered the board's questions satisfactorily.

#23-12-07-01. Mr. Harden moved approval of the voucher summary, appropriation transfers, fund transfers, and acceptance of the Income and Expenditure report pending the audit. Ms. Clifton seconded the motion.

The motion carried by acclamation.

GOVERNANCE REPORTS

Governance Committee – No report.

Nominating Committee – Mr. Root reported that the committee needs to meet prior to the next board meeting.

#23-12-07-03. Mr. Root moved on behalf of the Nominating Committee to extend the term of the current officers through the January 2024 meeting to allow the Nominating Committee to meet to discuss a slate of officers for presentation to the board.

The motion carried by acclamation.

Performance and Evaluation Committee – Mr. Harden reported that the Performance Evaluation Committee met Wednesday, December 6, 2023, regarding the medical director's agreement which commences on January 1, 2024, and ends on December 31, 2026. Mr. Harden noted the agreement calls for a well-earned 5% increase. Additionally, the covid vaccination requirements were removed from the Scope of Work.

#23-12-07-04. Mr. Harden moved on behalf of the committee the approval of the medical director's agreement with Kevin L. Sharrett, M.D.

The motion carried by acclamation.

Planning and Finance Committee – Mr. Root reported the Planning and Finance Committee met just prior to the board meeting.

#23-12-07-05. Mr. Root moved approval of the \$15,577.00 additional retirement payout for Ms. Deidre Owsley which reflects Ms. Owsley's cumulative years of county service sick leave payout, which was not included in the previously approved payout. The motion carried by acclamation.

#23-12-07-06. Mr. Root moved approval of the \$37,863.00 retirement payout for Mr. Jeff Webb who is retiring after 38 years on January 31, 2024. The motion carried by acclamation.

Mr. Root reported Mr. Stuby provided for information only, an overview of the Greene County Public Health Strategic Plan 2024 – 2026. The committee will meet prior to the next board meeting for approval.

NEW BUSINESS

The City of Xenia comes before the board requesting a waiver of delinquent taxes on the following residential parcel.

105 Jackson Street (foreclosed) (Parcel ID M40000200090002300) – Case No. 2023 CV 0335

The waiver of taxes applies to foreclosed or abandoned properties; once the properties are purchased or ownership is assumed, the full taxes will be reinstated. If the properties are sold, the total maximum amount of taxes waived minus the cost of upkeep, should then be reimbursed from the proceeds of the sale on a prorated basis with all other Greene County taxing entities who have waived taxes.

#23-12-07-07. Mr. Larson moves to approve the release of claim of delinquent and current taxes for the foreclosed residential property. Dr. Mickle seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

#23-12-07-08. Mr. Jeff Webb reviewed the resolution to amend the Embargo of Food Resolution #01-04-05-4 to reflect a change in title effective April 12, 2021, in accordance with Chapter 3776 of the Ohio Revised Code from Public Health Sanitarian and Public Health Sanitarian-in-Training to Environmental Health Specialist and Environmental Health Specialist-in-Training respectfully, and to add Ohio Administrative Code Rule 3701-21-27 Embargo of Food.

Mr. Thompson moved for the approval of the resolution. Mr. Harden seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS


Health Commissioner Howell noted to the board that the health district 2024 pay rate is presented for review along with the 2023 employee leave accrual summary.

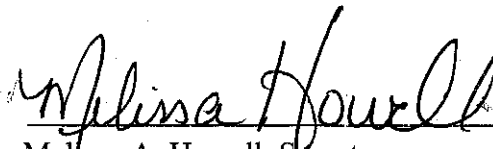
Health Commissioner Howell presented the re-surveys of Greene County Public Health's Public Swimming Pool and Camping Program noting both programs were resurveyed after being placed on provisional status due to deficiencies from the previous survey completed. The Bureau of Environmental Health and Radiation Protection found both programs are meeting the minimum acceptable standards with will be removed from provisional status.

Dr. Sharrett thanked the Board of Health for the gracious opportunity to continue as the Medical Director to Greene County Public Health.

Dr. Sharrett noted there is a spike in cases of a bacteria infection that can cause pneumonia in Warren County. The illness, seen often in children, is caused by a bacteria called mycoplasma pneumoniae. While the result of an infection with M. pneumoniae is typically a mild respiratory infection, the illness can progress to a more serious respiratory disease.

The Greene County Board of Health meeting for December 7, 2023, adjourned at approximately 7:13 p.m.


Mark Walsh, M.D., President


Melissa A. Howell, Secretary