

GREENE COUNTY

BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES

August 6, 2026

(26-08-06)

The Greene County Board of Health met in regular session on Thursday, August 6, 2026, in Conference Room 124 of the health district office. The meeting convened at approximately 6:30 p.m.

In attendance: Sylvia Ellison, President; Timothy Roop, Vice President; Rebecca Cantrell (virtual), Jane Clifton; Todd Dudley; Scott Hammond; Ashley Hartmann, Connie Helmuth, Angelia Mickle, DNP, Nancy Terwoord, and Will Urschel; Excused: William Harden and Ratna Palakodeti, M.D.

Employees in attendance: Melissa Howell, Health Commissioner, Noah Stuby, Deputy Health Commissioner; Kevin Sharrett, M.D., Medical Director; Shadrick Adams, Sheryl Wynn; and Olivia Detty. Excused: Jennifer Barga;

With a quorum present, Ms. Ellison called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. She announced that Ms. Cantrell was virtually participating in the meeting.

ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA/MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Ms. Ellison introduced the consent agenda and the July 9, 2026, meeting minutes.

#26-08-06-02 Ms. Helmuth moved to approve the consent agenda and the July 9, 2026, meeting minutes. Ms. Clifton seconded the motion. The motion was carried by acclamation.

PRESENTATION

Tonight's presentation was a video titled "What is Public Health Ethics and Why is it Important?" This video by Dr. Robert Frenck of Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center discusses the importance of childhood immunizations and addresses some questions related to the safety of vaccines.

The video was 4 minutes and 56 seconds.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Deputy Health Commissioner Stuby reviewed the July income and expenditure report, the July voucher summary, and the appropriation transfers and fund transfers/temporary advances.

Deputy Health Commissioner Stuby answered all questions satisfactorily.

#26-08-06-01 Mr. Roop moved for approval of the June income and expenditure report, the July voucher summary, and the appropriation transfers and fund transfers/temporary advances. Ms. Helmuth seconded the motion. The motion was carried by acclamation.

GOVERNANCE REPORTS

Governance Committee – Ms. Terwoord reported that the committee met to review policies and the board of health matrix. The committee approved the policies, with most requiring only minor title and grammatical changes, except for the Environmental Health cash drawer update from \$100 to \$200.

#26-08-06-03 Ms. Terwoord moved on behalf of the Governance Committee, to approve the policy changes. The motion was carried by acclamation

Performance and Evaluation Committee – No report.

Planning and Finance Committee – No report.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Adams presented a variance request for a private water system located at 2647 Jamestown Gunnersville Road. The homeowner, Ms. Cheryl Kirk, is seeking a variance because her well casing is 22.8 inches and it encountered rock at 19 inches. She attempted to drill a second well but could add only 6 more inches of casing because of the rock. Consequently, the first well was abandoned. The well has 100 pounds of grout and passed a water sample test, showing no total coliform bacteria.

EH recommends that the board approve the casing because it is only slightly short, and the sample shows the well is adequately protected.

#26-08-06-04 Mr. Roop moved for approval of the private water variance for 2647 Jamestown Gunnersville Road. Mr. Dudley seconded the motion. The motion was carried by acclamation.

Mr. Stuby and Health Commissioner Howell presented the 2026 Mid-Year Report and 2025 GCPH Audit as informational items.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

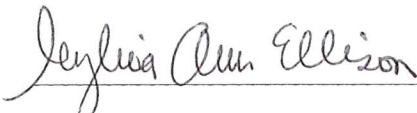
Health Commissioner Howell shared that the Early Intervention team has received a 100% score on their 45-Day Compliance review. Congratulations to Ms. Pamela Stimson, EI Program Manager, and her team on this accomplishment!

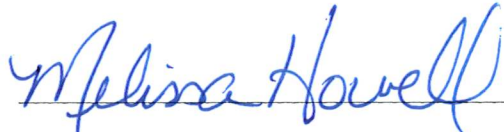
Dr. Sharrett provided an update on cyclosporiasis cases in the county, noting that there is underreporting due to diagnostic difficulties. He shared that the Moderna mRNA flu vaccine was recently approved for individuals aged 50 and older. He also discussed ongoing efforts in the rural health grant initiatives.

Ms. Terwoord announced that the 2026 Annual NALBOH Conference will be held in San Antonio, Texas, from October 12-14. If any board members are interested in attending, please inform Ms. Detty.

Ms. Ellison requested that any board members interested in presentation topics notify Ms. Detty.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:08 PM.


Sylvia Ellison, President


Melissa Howell, Secretary