GREENE COUNTY

BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES

September 3, 2026

(26-09-03)

The Greene County Board of Health met in regular session on Thursday, September 3, 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; Jane Clifton; Todd Dudley; Scott Hammond; Ashley Hartmann; Angelia Mickle, DNP; Nancy Terwoord; and Will Urschel; Excused: Connie Helmuth, 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, Jennifer Barga, Sheryl Wynn; and Olivia Detty.

With a quorum present, Ms. Ellison called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. She asked our guests Mr. Scott Filson, and Mr. Greg Sparks to introduce themselves.

Mr. Scott Filson is the current owner of Xenia Demolition Landfill LLC. Mr. Greg Sparks is the father of the buyer of Xenia Demolition Landfill LLC, Collin Sparks, who could not be in attendance at tonight's meeting. Both are in attendance for the Exemption Resolution for Xenia Demolition Landfill LLC.

ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA/MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Ms. Ellison introduced the consent agenda and the August 6, 2026, meeting minutes.

#26-09-03-02 Ms. Clifton moved to approve the consent agenda, including the August 6, 2026, meeting minutes and the August Income and Expenditure Report. Ms. Hartmann seconded the motion. The motion was carried by acclamation.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Adams introduced the Exemption Resolution for Xenia Demolition Landfill LLC. The resolution was read as written:

GREENE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH
RESOLUTION #26-09-03-03

The Greene County Board of Health grants

XENIA DEMOLITION LANDFILL LLC

A resolution granting Xenia Demolition Landfill LLC, located at 610 Dayton- Road, in Xenia, Ohio, 45385, an exemption from the 120-day prior notice requirement of ORC 3714.052(D).

SO, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GREENE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH:

WHEREAS: Xenia Demolition Landfill LLC is hereby granted an exemption from the 120-day prior notice requirement of ORC 3714.052(D)

Section 1. As provided in ORC 3714.052(D), A person to whom the permit to install or the license for a construction and demolition debris facility is proposed to be transferred under division (B) of section 3714.06 of the Revised Code shall submit to the director or a board of health, as applicable, the information that is required to be submitted under division (A) of this section by an applicant for a permit to install not later than one hundred twenty days prior to the proposed acquisition of the facility by the transferee. The director or board of health may deny the transfer of the permit or license, as applicable, if the information regarding the transferee indicates any of the reasons specified in division (B) of this section for the denial of an application for a permit to install.

Section 2. Xenia Demolition Landfill LLC is exempt from the 120-day prior notice as provided in ORC 3714.052(D) to ensure the ownership transfer proceeds according to the financing commitment.

#26-09-03-03 Timothy Roop moved for the approval of the resolution. Nancy Terwoord motion. The motion was carried by acclamation.

PRESENTATION

Tonight's presentation titled "Board of Health and Community Engagement," was provided by Kent State University in collaboration with the Ohio Association of Boards of Health and the Association of Ohio Health Commissioners.

The video was 9 minutes and 21 seconds.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Deputy Health Commissioner Stuby reviewed the August voucher summary, and the appropriation transfers and fund transfers/temporary advances. Deputy Health Commissioner Stuby answered all questions satisfactorily.

#26-09-03-01 Ms. Cantrell moved for approval of the August voucher summary, and the appropriation transfers and fund transfers/temporary advances. Mr. Dudley seconded the motion. The motion was carried by acclamation.

GOVERNANCE REPORTS

Governance Committee – No report.

Performance and Evaluation Committee – No report.

Planning and Finance Committee – No report.

NEW BUSINESS (CONTINUED)

Mr. Adams conducted the first reading of the proposed 2026 fees. He explained the cost methodology and successfully answered questions from the board. A public hearing will be held at the next month's board meeting on October 1, 2026, to receive public comments and address questions.

Mr. Adams presented a variance request for a private water system located at 2559 Upper Bellbrook Road in Xenia, OH 45385. The homeowner, Mr. Robert LaFreniere, is seeking a variance because the two existing wells are struggling to provide enough water. The applicant made four attempts to locate a more reliable water source; when one was found, it was at a low elevation. The well location is at least 700 feet from the nearest well supporting potable domestic water. It poses no environmental threats and would prevent water supply issues for this home. The well water has been tested and is free of bacteria as of August 10, 2026. EH recommends that the board approve the variance.

#26-09-03-04 Mr. Roop moved for approval of the private water variance for 2559 Upper Bellbrook Road in Xenia, OH 45385. Mr. Urschel seconded the motion. The motion was carried by acclamation.

Ms. Ellison presented the Ohio Associations of Boards of Health (OABH) membership voting ballot packet, including the 2025 OABH fall meeting minutes, OABH voting ballot, and OABH By-Laws (revised August 26, 2026).

#26-09-03-04 Ms. Clifton moved for the approval of the 2025 OABH meeting minutes, OABH voting ballot, and OABH By-Laws (revised August 26, 2026). Mr. Urschel seconded the motion.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Dr. Sharrett discussed updated COVID-19 vaccines targeting the XFG strain, set to be available soon. Vaccine recommendations differ: federal guidance targets older adults and high-risk individuals, while the American Medical Association includes more children and adults. This discrepancy is unusual and should be monitored as respiratory virus season approaches.

Dr. Sharrett also reported that Cyclosporiasis activity is declining and is no longer a major concern. A Rural Health Transformation grant application was submitted to improve rural healthcare through collaboration between healthcare systems and public health agencies. Health Commissioner Howell was recognized for securing support from health departments statewide. However, grant timelines remain uncertain because of previous funding delays. If awarded, the grant could enhance rural health services and foster innovative partnerships.

Health Commissioner Howell invited board members to the employee meeting and training taking place on Thursday, September 10, 2026.

Health Commissioner Howell recognized Noah Stuby for being published in the latest issue of the *American Journal of Public Health*. His article highlights the innovative financial work he has led, which was described as transformative for the public health field. Copies of the article will be shared with staff who are interested in reading it.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:04 PM.

Sylvia Ellison, President

Melissa Howell, Secretary