

**Summit County Combined General Health District  
Board of Health Meeting  
Thursday, May 14, 2026 – 5 p.m.  
Boardroom – Building A**



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**MINUTES**

**MATH- Managing Asthma Triggers at Home  
Sam Rubens, MPA, REHS – Air Quality Manager**

**A. Welcome of Persons Present**

**B. Call to Order: 5:21 p.m.**

**C. Board Member Roll Call:**

<b>Dr. Patrick Blakeslee</b>	<i>01/01/2026-12/31/2029</i>	- excused absence
<b>Chief Lee Chafin</b>	<i>01/01/2024-12/31/2027</i>	- present
<b>Dr. Catherine Cook</b>	<i>01/01/2023-12/31/2026</i>	- present
<b>Dr. Roberta DePompei</b>	<i>01/01/2024-12/31/2027</i>	- present
<b>Barry Ganoe</b>	<i>04/01/2024-03/31/2027</i>	- excused absence
<b>Krisi Gindlesperger</b>	<i>01/01/2023-12/31/2026</i>	- present
<b>Jennifer Hayes</b>	<i>11/14/2024-12/31/2027</i>	- present
<b>Dan Karant</b>	<i>01/01/2026-12/31/2029</i>	- present
<b>Janel Koellner</b>	<i>04/01/2025-03/31/2029</i>	- present
<b>William Lowery I</b>	<i>11/15/2024-12/31/2026</i>	- present
<b>Robert Maguire</b>	<i>01/01/2026-12/31/2029</i>	- present
<b>Dr. Alexandra Mamonis</b>	<i>01/01/2024-12/31/2027</i>	- present
<b>James Senderak</b>	<i>01/01/2026-12/31/2029</i>	- present
<b>Jeffrey Snell</b>	<i>04/01/2026-03/31/2030</i>	- present
<b>Marco Sommerville</b>	<i>01/01/2023-12/31/2026</i>	- present
<b>Dr. Kenneth Varian</b>	<i>01/01/2025-12/31/2028</i>	- present
<b>Sheila Williams</b>	<i>01/01/2026-12/31/2029</i>	- present
<b>General Health District - Vacancy</b>	<i>06/28/2025-03/31/2027</i>	

**Staff Present:** *Chris Barker, Tonia Burford, Joanne Emery, Cory Kendrick, Marlene Martin, Dawn Meyers, Eddie Mink, Sam Rubens, David Shinn, Dr. Erika Sobolewski, Angela Woods*

**Guests:** None

**D. Motion for Unanimous Consent:**

**Motion by Mr. Karant, seconded by Chief Chafin, to conduct business by voice vote, unless a roll call vote is specifically required by our Bylaws, state law, or is requested by a member of the Board.**

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**Roll Call Vote:**

**Dr. Patrick Blakeslee (—), Chief Lee Chafin (aye), Dr. Catherine Cook (aye),  
Dr. Roberta DePompei (aye), Barry Ganoe (—), Krisi Gindlesperger (aye), Jennifer Hayes (aye),  
Dan Karant (aye), Janel Koellner (aye), William Lowery (aye), Robert Maguire (aye),  
Dr. Alessandra Mamonis (aye), James Senderak (aye), Jeffrey Snell (aye), Marco Sommerville (aye),  
Dr. Kenneth Varian (aye), Sheila Williams (aye).**

**E. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting**

**Motion by Mr. Karant, seconded by Ms. Williams to approve the Board of Health meeting minutes from April 09, 2026.**

*Approved by voice vote. Ms. Koellner abstained.*

**F. Public and Staff Comments (three minute maximum.): None**

**G. Reading of Schedule E – Late Filings:**

**PERSONNEL**

- 1. Approve the appointment of Annaleese Lyman, Student/Temporary Help, part-time (not to exceed 28 hours per week), \$15.50, effective May 18, 2026. (Annaleese is currently pursuing a Bachelor of Environmental Science from the University of Mount Union. Annaleese will work as a Mosquito Control Technician performing technical functions in the program.)**
- 2. Approve the rescission of the appointment of Chloe Partlow, Student/Temporary Help, part-time, \$15.50. (Chloe did not complete the pre-employment process.)**

**Motion by Mr. Karant, seconded by Chief Chafin, to accept Schedule E – Late Filings.**

*Approved by voice vote.*

**H. Motion by Dr. Mamonis, seconded by Chief Chafin, to adopt Resolution No. 016-26, entitled “Approval of the Consent Agenda, Schedules and all matters on the Consent Agenda.”**

<b>Schedule A</b>	<b>Personnel</b>
<b>Schedule B</b>	<b>Employee Training and Travel Expenses</b>
<b>Schedule C</b>	<b>Contracts</b>
<b>Schedule D</b>	<b>Finance</b>
<b>Schedule E</b>	<b>Late Filings</b>

*Approved by voice vote.*

**I. Committee Reports**

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1. **Community Health & Wellness** – *Dr. Varian provided a brief update on items discussed including; state level legislation that may impact sewage treatment system installation/replacements, as well mentioning that SCPH has a program to collect and recycle bike helmets.*
2. **Financial Operations** – *no report*
3. **Governance Committee** – *no report*
4. **Human Resources** – *no report*
5. **Strategic Planning** – *no report*

**J. Health Commissioner’s Report** *Chris Barker made the following announcements and updates.*

1. **The Financial Operations committee is scheduled to meet in the boardroom immediately following this meeting.**
2. **The Governance and the Human Resources committees are scheduled to meet following the June 11, 2026 board meeting. Governance in boardroom. Human Resources in DOC.**
3. **Program and Fiscal Updates:** *SCPH leadership continues to monitor the proposed Federal 2027 budget as it relates to programmatic funding impacts. Chris noted that while the proposed budget requests significant decreases, similar to the proposed 2026 budget, it remains to be seen if Congress will approve the decreases or provide near level funding as they did for 2026.*

*Chris highlighted the Environmental Health division’s recent transition to an upgraded, cloud-based, system that improves on-line customer service capacity (online applications, payments, etc.), as well as a series of articles in the Akron Beacon Journal that highlighted the food safety inspection process.*

*Behavioral Health program’s recently received national accreditation and Cory Kendrick updated the board on what that meant and what the reaccreditation timeline looks like. Stakeholders for the Community Health Improvement Plan met to launch the new goals related to the recently completed Community Health Assessment.*

**K. Fiscal Report**

1. **Motion by Mr. Karant, seconded by Chief Chafin, to adopt Resolution No. 017-26 entitled, “Resolution Authorizing Then and Now Certificate.”**

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>
The Brewer-Garrett Company	\$3,655.00	HVAC repairs at Arlington Plaza

*Approved by voice vote.*

2. **Budget Commission Presentation Update** *Ms. Woods reported that the 2027 SCPH budget was unanimously approved as presented at the April 16<sup>th</sup> Budget Commission hearing.*
3. **Monthly Reports**

**L. Environmental Health - None**

**M. Clinical Health/Medical Director’s Report**

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- 1. Communicable Disease Report** *(See Enclosure.)*
- 2. Influenza Surveillance Report** *(See Enclosure.)*

*Dr. Sobolewski provided a national measles case update with 1842 cases already confirmed in 2026 and a new outbreak was just declared in Virginia. Additionally, Dr. Sobolewski mentioned the HAN alert regarding Hantavirus that was recently sent by the CDC. She also indicated that no individuals from that cruise were from Ohio and that risks remain extremely low in Ohio.*

### **N. Miscellaneous Business**

- 1. Motion by Mr. Karant, seconded by Chief Chafin, to adjourn into Executive Session at 5:37 p.m.:**
  - a) To consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee pursuant to ORC 121.22(G) (1). and
  - b) To consider the purchase of property (both real and personal, tangible or intangible), or to consider the sale of property (either real or personal) by competitive bid if disclosure of the information would give a competitive advantage to the other side by division (G)(2) of section 121.22 of the Revised Code

#### **Roll Call Vote:**

~~Dr. Patrick Blakeslee (-)~~, Chief Lee Chafin *(aye)*, Dr. Catherine Cook *(aye)*,  
Dr. Roberta DePompei *(aye)*, ~~Barry Ganoë (-)~~, Krisi Gindlesperger *(aye)*, Jennifer Hayes *(aye)*,  
Dan Karant *(aye)*, Janel Koellner *(aye)*, William Lowery *(aye)*, Robert Maguire *(aye)*,  
Dr. Aleksandra Mamonis *(aye)*, James Senderak *(aye)*, Jeffrey Snell *(aye)*, Marco Sommerville  
*(aye)*, Dr. Kenneth Varian *(aye)*, Sheila Williams *(aye)*.

**Motion by Dr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Lowery, to reconvene from Executive Session at 5:46 p.m.**

~~Dr. Patrick Blakeslee (-)~~, Chief Lee Chafin *(aye)*, Dr. Catherine Cook *(aye)*,  
Dr. Roberta DePompei *(aye)*, ~~Barry Ganoë (-)~~, Krisi Gindlesperger *(aye)*, Jennifer Hayes *(aye)*,  
Dan Karant *(aye)*, Janel Koellner *(aye)*, William Lowery *(aye)*, Robert Maguire *(aye)*,  
Dr. Aleksandra Mamonis *(aye)*, James Senderak *(aye)*, Jeffrey Snell *(aye)*, Marco Sommerville  
*(aye)*, Dr. Kenneth Varian *(aye)*, Sheila Williams *(aye)*.

*No action was taken after the executive session.*

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**O. Meeting adjourned at 5:47 p.m.**

  
Secretary

  
President

**The next meeting of the Board of Health is scheduled for Thursday, June 11, 2026  
at 5:00 p.m. in the Boardroom - Building A.**