

AGENDA
GEAUGA PUBLIC HEALTH
February 18, 2026

1.0 Call to Order

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No Old Business

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6.04 Resolution Authorizing Dan Lark, Administrator, to Apply for, Accept, and Enter into a Water Pollution Control Loan Fund Agreement on Behalf of Geauga Public Health of Geauga County for the Repair and Replacement of Home Sewage Treatment Systems

6.05 Resolution 2026-02: A Resolution to Authorize a Warrant for Payment Based on a Then and Now Certificate for Purchases, and Declaring an Emergency to Lake County General Health, \$466,476.29

6.06 Resolution 2026-03: A Resolution to Authorize a Warrant for Payment Based on a Then and Now Certificate for Purchases, and Declaring an Emergency to Lake County General Health, \$216,089.82

6.07 Resolution of Appreciation for Ashley Jones

7.0 Citizens' Remarks

- Session to last 20 minutes unless Board moves to extend.
- 2 minutes per speaker to make comments and ask questions.
- The Board will answer questions after having an opportunity to investigate responses following the meeting. This is not a press conference where answers should be expected on the spot.
- Board responses will be recorded and publicly filed with meeting minutes.

8.0 Adjournment

1.0 Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Geauga County Board of Health was called to order at 5:01 p.m. on Wednesday, February 18, 2026, by President Ashley Jones. The meeting was held at the Geauga County Office Building located at 12611 Ravenwood Drive, Chardon, Ohio.

2.0 Opening of Meeting

2.01 Declaration of Quorum

The following members were present constituting a quorum:

Melissa DeBoth
Dr. Mark Hendrickson

Ashley Jones, Pharm D

Christine Sutter

Absent: Lynn Roman

Minutes were recorded by Gina Parker.

Also present from the Health District staff:

Dan Lark, Administrator
Katie Taylor, Finance Director

Adam Litke, Health Commissioner

Others Present: Members of the public were in attendance.

2.03 Certification of Delivery of Official Notices

Certification of delivery of the official notices of the regular meeting of the Board of Health was made by Adam Litke, Health Commissioner.

3.0 Board of Health

3.01 Approval of Minutes, Regular Meeting January 28, 2026

Dr. Mark Hendrickson moved and Christine Sutter seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the January 28, 2026, Board of Health regular meeting; motion carried.

4.0 Health District Staff Reports

4.01 Population Health Report

4.01.01 Safe Communities

A coalition meeting was held on January 22nd at the Ravenwood building. This meeting had representatives from Ohio Department of Transportation, Highway Patrol Chardon Branch, Ohio Traffic Safety Office, and another staff member from Geauga Public Health. In this meeting, coalition members discussed the one fatal accident that occurred in December 2025 as well as the total vehicle fatalities in Geauga County throughout 2025.

During the coalition meeting Ella Ergazos went over the two Safe Communities events that took place in December as well as our upcoming ThinkFast event that will be happening at Berkshire High School in February. Ella Ergazos and the coalition members began discussing details about a prom blitz for Chardon High School in April. The Ohio Department of Transportation representative will follow up with the Amish Safety board regarding the coalition's flexibility around a meeting location so they can attend the meetings. The Highway Patrol representative discussed an InSpire event conducted by Ashtabula's Safe Communities for students regarding safe driving. Ella Ergazos will work with the head of Ashtabula's Safe Communities branch to get engagement from Geauga County schools to attend this event in April.

4.01.02 Other Population Health Activities

Geauga Public Health was awarded the Healthy Eating Active Living (HEAL) grant from the Ohio Department of Health in the amount of \$12,500. This grant helps to fund data collection for Middlefield Township led by Ella Ergazos to identify areas of the community that could be improved. The HEAL grant goes through September of 2026 and will through research will help to highlight the potential areas in the community that need addressed under the umbrella of nutrition and physical activity.

Social media for the month of January involved car seat safety, school bus safety, mental health awareness/ resources, Radon awareness, snowplow awareness, local organizations/ resources and food recalls. During the month of January, Ella Ergazos distributed 34 Naloxone kits to the community. And attend the bimonthly Project Dawn meeting. Ella Ergazos also attended the Suicide Prevention Coalition meeting as a member on behalf of GPH at the Geauga Mental Health and Recovery Service Center.

4.01.03

Grants

No grants at this time.

4.01.04

Programs

Vaccines for Children Clinics

We saw 22 individuals at the January 14th vaccine clinic.

DTaP-4	Vaxelis-7	Varicella-4
Pentacel-2	MMR-6	
Pediarix-3	PCV-6	

A total of 32 vaccines were given.

We saw 23 individuals at the January 19th vaccine clinic.

DTaP-7	HIB-4	RotaTeq-1
Pentacel-2	ProQuad-3	PCV-10
Kinrix-3	MMR-5	Varicella-1
Vaxelis-5	RSV-1	Polio-1

A total of 43 vaccines were given.

We saw 17 individuals at the January 28th vaccine clinic.

ProQuad-1	Vaxelis-7	Polio-2
HIB-3	PCV-6	DTaP-4
MMR-3	Varicella-1	Kinrix-2

A total of 29 vaccines were given.

TB Testing = 0

Children with Medical Handicaps (CMH)

No new information.

Community Events

No community events.

Trainings and Meetings

- On 1/22/26, Melissa Kimbrough RN attended the Safe Communities Coalition Meeting.
- On 1/20/26, Melissa Kimbrough RN, Heather DiCioccio RN, and Natalie Pray DON virtually attended the Ohio Department of Health's quarterly nursing meeting.

Lead Testing

No lead testing was performed in January.

4.01.05

Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP)

During the month of January, Jessica Wakelee has continued working on PHEP and CRI program deliverables and plan updates with regional workgroups. On December 8, Jessica Wakelee met with NEO regional partners to discuss two ongoing projects. The first included selecting objectives, a scenario, and setting a planning schedule for a drill to be held as part of a Capstone exercise series for the remainder of the current five-year cycle (currently in the second budget period.) The Capstone series will test local health departments' capabilities related to response needed for a severe weather event which occurs during an extended cyber outage of ODH's state-wide communication and reporting systems on the Juvare platform, to include the Ohio Public Health Communication System (OPHCS) used for statewide health and emergency alerts, the OhioResponds platform used for volunteer management, EMResource, a hospital bed tracking platform, and other ODH systems. This drill will test redundant communication methods during a severe winter storm impacting the NEO region. The NEO region has also been collaborating with the Cleveland Hearing and Speech Center to develop a pocket communicator to assist in assessing communication and health needs for residents who are deaf or hard of hearing at a Point of Dispensing or other public clinic during a public health emergency. The communicator uses infographics and basic words and phrases to facilitate basic communication until an appropriate translator (for language) or interpreter (for American Sign Language) can be identified. This communication tool will be tested at a Point of Dispensing setup drill to be held in the spring.

Jessica Wakelee has been working with Lake County's Emergency Response Coordinator, Dawn Cole, to co-plan an Administrative Preparedness Tabletop Exercise (TTX), which will be held with both GPH and Lake County General Health District staff on January 8th to discuss issues related to continuity of operations, surge staffing, and expedited funding, contracting, and hiring processes that can be utilized during an emergency. This exercise will fulfill grant deliverable requirements.

Jessica Wakelee submitted the non-competitive FY27 PHEP and CRI grant renewal proposal on January 9th. This is for budget period 3 for the current five-year grant cycle, and at present, the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) has allocated level funding of \$120,216.00 for Geauga County as instructed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

No deliverables were submitted to or approved by ODH in January.

Jessica Wakelee attended the following meetings and trainings on behalf of GPH during the month of January:

- Weekly PHEP Team Meetings (January 5, 12, 20, 26)
- Administrative Preparedness Tabletop Exercise (TTX) Final Planning Meeting (January 5)
- Lake/Geauga Administrative Preparedness TTX (January 8)
- Northeast Ohio Regional Epidemiology and Public Health Meetings (January 9)
- Biweekly ODH WeCAN (ODH/Local Health Department) Conference Calls (January 7, Dawn Cole attended January 21)
- Weekly Epidemiology Discussion Series Calls (January 8, 15, 22, 29)
- ODH PHEP Program Office Hours (January 12)
- Northeast Ohio Regional PHEP Workgroup – Medical Countermeasure (MCM) Plan review (January 14)
- National Weather Service (NWS) Severe Weather Briefing (January 23)
- Lake/Geauga Administrative Preparedness TTX After Action Meetings (January 26, 29)

4.01.06
Epidemiology

Outbreaks Reported in January

Disease	Setting/ Type	Total Cases	Status
COVID-19	Long Term Care Facility	10 (4 staff, 6 Residents)	Open - Observing

Syndromic Surveillance Anomaly Investigations

Date	Type	Outcome
1/16	Potential Class A - Measles	Ruled out – Not a case.

Communicable Diseases Reported by Month

The following are counts of reportable diseases for Geauga County, by date reported. Please note, these counts may vary slightly from Ohio Department of Health Dashboards, which are reported by Event Date, which is the earliest known date associated with a given case, which could be the date of symptom onset, date tested, date of test result, or date reported to the Health Department. Since this number can be a moving target throughout the course of a case investigation where more information is learned, numbers below represent a snapshot in time at the time data is extracted from the Ohio Disease Reporting System. Note: Numbers reported for COVID-19 and RSV-related hospitalizations for 2025 (marked with asterisk [*]) reflect counts beginning October 1, 2025, when the Ohio Infectious Disease Control Manual was updated to include these as newly reportable conditions.

Enteric Diseases

Reportable Disease	Class	2023	2024	2025	2026 YTD	New in January
Campylobacteriosis	B	21	25	23	3	3
Cryptosporidiosis	B	1	9	6	0	0
E.coli, Shiga Toxin-Producing and Hemolytic Uremic Syndrome	B	0	7	6	1	1
Giardiasis	B	5	5	13	0	0
Listeriosis	B	0	2	1	0	0
Salmonellosis	B	11	20	16	1	1
Shigellosis	B	2	2	1	0	0
Vibriosis, not Cholera	B	0	1	0	0	0
Yersiniosis	B	2	1	0	0	0
TOTAL		42	72	66	5	5

Hepatitis

Reportable Disease	Class	2023	2024	2025	2026 YTD	New in January
Hepatitis A	B	0	1	0	0	0
Hepatitis B, Chronic	B	5	5	8	0	0
Hepatitis C, Acute	B	1	0	0	0	0
Hepatitis C, Chronic	B	18	13	16	1	1
TOTAL		24	19	24	1	1

Sexually Transmitted Infections (STI)

Reportable Disease	Class	2023	2024	2025	2026 YTD	New in January
Chlamydia	B	86	91	71	7	7
Gonorrhea	B	19	26	11	4	4
Syphilis	B	0	3	1	0	0
TOTAL		105	120	83	11	11

Vaccine Preventable Diseases

Reportable Disease	Class	2023	2024	2025	2026 YTD	New in January
COVID-19 Associated Hospitalization	B	x	x	17*	20	20
Haemophilus influenzae, Invasive Disease	B	2	2	2	0	0
Influenza-associated Hospitalization	B	34	64	163	30	30
Influenza – ODH Lab Result	B	14	7	9	1	1
Mumps	B	1	0	1	0	0
Pertussis	B	85	4	8	1	1
Streptococcus pneumoniae, Invasive Disease	B	1	1	5	1	1
Varicella	B	1	1	1	0	0
TOTAL		138	79	206	53	53

Vector-borne/Zoonotic Diseases

Reportable Disease	Class	2023	2024	2025	2026 YTD	New in January
Anaplasmosis	B	1	0	0	0	0
Dengue	B	0	1	1	0	0
Lyme Disease	B	7	13	33	0	0
TOTAL		8	14	34	0	0

Other Reportable Diseases

Reportable Disease	Class	2023	2024	2025	2026 YTD	New in January
Botulism (wound or infant)	A	0	0	1	0	0
Candida Auris	B	0	1	3	0	0
Carbapenemase-Producing Organisms (CPO)	B	7	9	10	0	0
CPO – Colonization Screening	B	0	1	0	0	0
Coccidiomycosis	B	0	0	0	0	0
Legionellosis (Legionnaire’s Disease)	B	4	6	6	0	0
Meningitis, Aseptic Viral	B	2	1	0	0	0
Meningitis, Other Bacterial	B	0	0	1	0	0
Mpox	B	0	1	0	0	0
Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)-Associated Hospitalization	B	0	0	1*	3	3
Streptococcal Disease, Group A, Invasive	B	16	11	8	2	2
Streptococcal Disease, Group B, in Newborn	B	1	0	1	0	0
Tuberculosis (TB) and Latent TB in Child <2 Yrs	B	0	1	0	0	0
TOTAL		30	31	31	5	5

Reportable Diseases with Zero Cases in Geauga County since at least 12/31/2022:

Reportable Disease	Class	Type
Anthrax	A	Vector-Borne/Zoonotic
Babesiosis	B	Vector-Borne/Zoonotic
Botulism (foodborne)	A	Enteric
Brucellosis	B	Other Reportable Disease
Chancroid	B	STI
Chikungunya	B	Vector-Borne/Zoonotic
Cholera	B	Enteric
Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease (CJD)	B	Vector-Borne/Zoonotic
Crimean-Congo Hemorrhagic Fever	A	Vector-Borne/Zoonotic
Cronobacter, Invasive Infection in Infants	B	Enteric
Cyclosporiasis	B	Enteric
Diphtheria	A	Vaccine-Preventable
Eastern Equine Encephalitis Virus Disease	B	Vector-Borne/Zoonotic
Ebola Virus Disease	A	Vector-Borne/Zoonotic
Ehrlichiosis	B	Vector-Borne/Zoonotic
Hantavirus Infection	B	Vector-Borne/Zoonotic
Hepatitis B, Acute	B	Hepatitis

Hepatitis B, Perinatal Infection	B	Hepatitis
Hepatitis C, Perinatal Infection	B	Hepatitis
Hepatitis E	B	Hepatitis
Influenza A, Novel Infection	A	Other Reportable Disease
Influenza-associated Pediatric Mortality	B	Vaccine-Preventable
Lacrosse Virus Disease	B	Vector-Borne/Zoonotic
Lassa Fever	A	Vector-Borne/Zoonotic
Leprosy	B	Other Reportable Disease
Leptospirosis	B	Other Reportable Disease
Malaria	B	Vector-Borne/Zoonotic
Marburg Hemorrhagic Fever	A	Vector-Borne/Zoonotic
Measles	A	Vaccine-Preventable
Melioidosis	B	Other Reportable Disease
Meningococcal Disease	A	Vaccine-Preventable
Middle East Respiratory Virus (MERS)	A	Other Reportable Disease
Plague	A	Vector-Borne/Zoonotic
Poliomyelitis	B	Vaccine-Preventable
Powassan Virus Disease	B	Vector-Borne/Zoonotic
Psittacosis	B	Vector-Borne/Zoonotic
Q Fever	B	Vector-Borne/Zoonotic
Rabies (Human)	A	Vector-Borne/Zoonotic
Rubella (Acute)	A	Vaccine-Preventable
Rubella (Congenital)	B	Vaccine-Preventable
Salmonella Paratyphi Infection	B	Enteric
Salmonella Typhi Infection	B	Enteric
Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS)	A	Other Reportable Disease
Smallpox	A	Other Reportable Disease
Spotted Fever Rickettsiosis	B	Vector-Borne/Zoonotic
St. Louis Encephalitis Virus Disease	B	Vector-Borne/Zoonotic
Staphylococcus aureus, Vancomycin Intermediate/Resistant (VISA/VRSA)	B	Other Reportable Disease
Streptococcal Toxic Shock Syndrome (STSS)	B	Other Reportable Disease
Tetanus	B	Vaccine-Preventable
Trichinellosis	B	STI
Tularemia, Inhalation	A	Other Reportable Disease
Tularemia, non-inhalation	B	Other Reportable Disease
Viral Hemorrhagic Fever	A	Other Reportable Disease
Western Equine Encephalitis Virus Disease	B	Vector-Borne/Zoonotic
West Nile Virus Infection	B	Vector-Borne/Zoonotic
Yellow Fever	B	Vector-Borne/Zoonotic
Zika Virus Disease	B	Vector-Borne/Zoonotic

Notes:

Class A diseases are those of major public health concern because of the severity of disease or potential for epidemic spread, and must be reported immediately via telephone upon recognition that a case, suspected case, or positive laboratory result exists.

Class B diseases are those of public health concern needing timely response because of potential for epidemic spread, and must be reported by the end of the next business day after the existence of a case, suspected case, or a positive laboratory result is known.

Outbreaks of other diseases (e.g. histoplasmosis, pediculosis, scabies, staphylococcal infections, etc.) are considered Class C, and are reportable by the end of the next business day. This may include outbreaks that are in the community, health-care associated, waterborne, foodborne, institutional, or zoonotic, as well as any other unusual incidents.

Cases of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS), AIDS-related conditions, Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) infection, perinatal exposure to HIV, all CD4 T-lymphocyte counts, and all tests used to diagnose HIV must be reported on forms and in a manner prescribed by the Director of the Ohio Department of Health.

Adam Litke provided the following highlights:

- *No update.*

Discussion:

Ashley Jones inquired about the total numbers for respiratory illnesses this season. Adam Litke said hand foot and mouth disease is being seen, in addition to the flu.

Ashley Jones thanked GPH for assisting a local police department with Naloxone kits.

4.02

Environmental Health Report

4.02.01

Director's Report

The Healthspace conversion from HDIS is continuing. Weekly meetings are occurring to ensure progress is being made. Expected go live date is beginning of April. Notifications are being sent to all food establishments regarding the new program and that inspections will be visible to the public once Healthspace goes live.

At the request of the BOH, Hunan by the Falls was inspected on 1/20. The inspection went well.

4.02.02

Program Inspections

Environmental Health staff conducted the following program inspections in January:

Program	Inspections
Private Water Systems (wells)	11
Camps	0
Swimming Pools/Spas	1
*Food	90
Sewage Systems	19
For Sale of Property	0
HB 110 (Semi-Public) Systems	8
Operation and Maintenance Samples	67
Plumbing	64
Schools	1
Jails	0
Tattoo & Body Piercing	0
Nuisance Complaints	0
Solid Waste	0

*Includes routine inspections, reinspections, mobiles, temporaries, plan reviews, pre-licensing inspections, food-related nuisance complaints, and consultations.

Dan Lark provided the following highlights:

- *No update.*

4.03

Finance Report

4.03.01

Director's Report

1. The Geauga 2023 and 2024 Audit has started and is expected to be completed by the end of February 2026.

4.03.02

Notes to Financial Statements

Accounts Payable by G/L Distribution Report. This is the day-to-day or current expenses report.

Notes on Chart 1

As of January 31, 2026, the year is 8.33% complete. This percentage is a point of reference for what percentage of revenue and expense you might expect to see received/expensed at this point in the year.

The following are explanations for revenues and/or expenses that are significantly over budget or under budget from that reference point.

REVENUE:

With January being the first month, revenues are underestimated budgets.

EXPENSES:

This is the first month of the year, and expenses are under budget in part due to timing of invoice payments. We continue to work with the Geauga County Auditor's office to continue payment of invoices to the Lake County General Health District.

Notes on Chart 2

Chart 2 is a comparison of the beginning cash balance of each fund to the current cash balance of each fund.

Notes on Chart 3

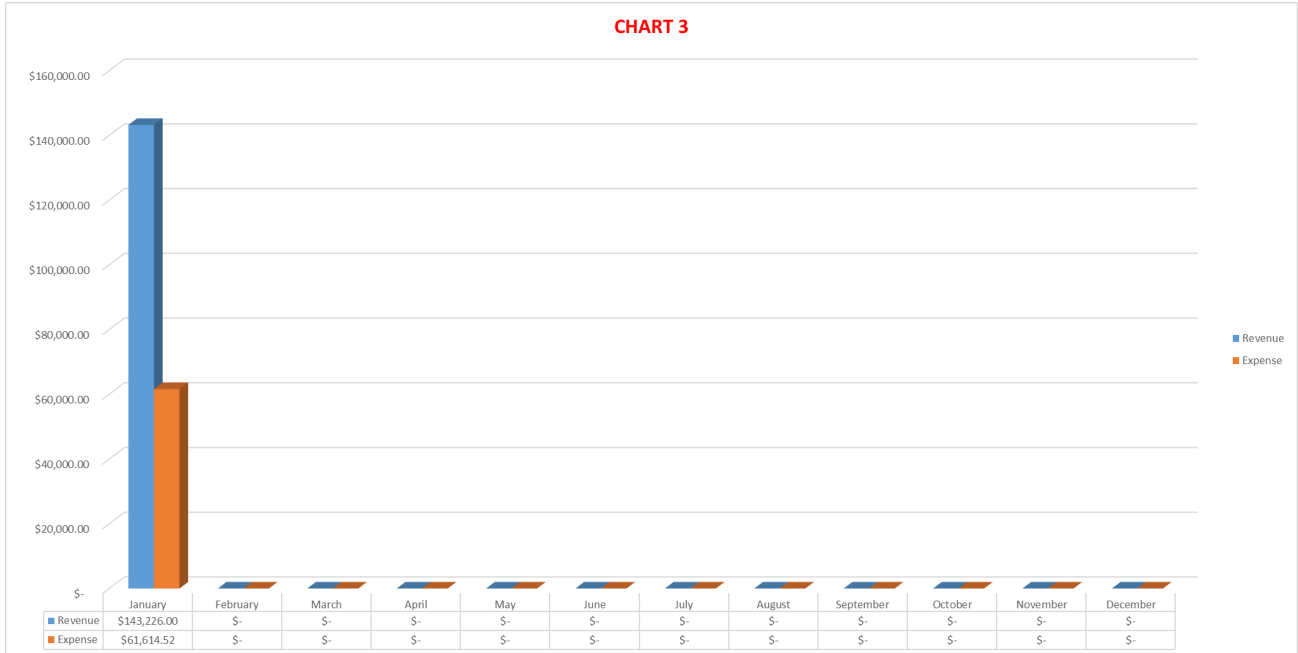
The bar graph compares the revenue and expenses by each month for all funds combined.

CHART 2

MONTH OF : JANUARY

Fund Number	Fund name	Beginning Cash Balance	YTD Revenue Per Budget Performance	YTD Expense Per Budget Performance	Ending Cash Balance	YTD Cash Per Cash Position Report
6002	Board of Health	\$ 207,455.42	\$ 37,732.50	\$ 44,614.52	\$ 200,573.40	\$ 200,573.40
6004	Trailer Park	\$ 16,498.44	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 16,498.44	\$ 16,498.44
6005	Food Service	\$ 593,704.19	\$ 2,736.00	\$ 278.00	\$ 596,162.19	\$ 596,162.19
6008	Infectious Waste/ Solid Waste	\$ 148,807.06	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 148,807.06	\$ 148,807.06
6011	Private Water Systems	\$ 314,749.54	\$ 4,006.00	\$ 3,312.00	\$ 315,443.54	\$ 315,443.54
6018	Swimming Pools	\$ 47,639.00	\$ 135.00	\$ -	\$ 47,774.00	\$ 47,774.00
6021	Public Health Infrastructure	\$ 656,067.77	\$ 6,292.00	\$ -	\$ 662,359.77	\$ 662,359.77
6023	Sewage Treatment Systems	\$ 568,991.05	\$ 18,395.00	\$ -	\$ 587,386.05	\$ 587,386.05
6025	Immunization Action Plan	\$ 27,341.18	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 27,341.18	\$ 27,341.18
6030	Emergency Response Fund	\$ 22,806.03	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 22,806.03	\$ 22,806.03
6036	Environmental Health Assistance	\$ 35,252.49	\$ 9,377.00	\$ -	\$ 44,629.49	\$ 44,629.49
6037	For Sale of Property	\$ 598,634.32	\$ -	\$ 13,410.00	\$ 585,224.32	\$ 585,224.32
6039	Alcohol, Tobacco & Other Drugs	\$ 52,879.66	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 52,879.66	\$ 52,879.66
6040	Injury Prevention	\$ 63,066.05	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 63,066.05	\$ 63,066.05
6041	Workforce Development	\$ 349,543.34	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 349,543.34	\$ 349,543.34
6042	Population Health Fund	\$ 180,433.90	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 180,433.90	\$ 180,433.90
6043	Operations & Maintenance	\$ 338,512.51	\$ 64,552.50	\$ -	\$ 403,065.01	\$ 403,065.01
Total		\$ 4,222,381.95	\$ 143,226.00	\$ 61,614.52	\$ 4,303,993.43	\$ 4,303,993.43

CHART 3



Katie Taylor provided the following highlights:

- *No update.*

Discussion:

Ashley Jones asked for clarification on the financial charts. Dan Lark said the revenue is underestimated as the Operation and Maintenance receipts are still being received.

4.04

Health Commissioner's Report

4.04.01

Health Commissioner's Report

1. GPH continues to receive requests for support regarding housing complaints. The complaints have been a mixture of physical materials in a house, often times regarded as hoarding, as well as physical material that is unkept in the yard.
2. Working with Ms. Taylor to finalize the current GPH audit.
3. The February 18, 2026, GPH Board of Health meeting is the last meeting for Mrs. Ashley Jones.
4. Health District Advisory Council (HDAC) is March 11, 2026, at 7:00pm. The meeting will be held at the Geauga County Administrative Building in Conference Rooms A333-A334. HDAC will appoint a new GPH Board of Health member at the meeting.

Adam Litke provided the following highlights:

- *The nursing director resigned, but has been replaced by another member of the nursing staff.*

5.0

Old Business

No Old Business.

6.0
New Business

6.01

6.01.01
Financial Reports, Resolution 26-02-06-01-01

Dr. Mark Hendrickson moved and Melissa DeBoth seconded a motion to approve the Financial Reports for payment of bills, as listed in the recapitulation sheets attached to these minutes; motion carried.

Discussion:

Ashley Jones asked if the Vital remittance amount to the state has increased. Adam Litke said this is the quarterly amount and now that death certificates can be issued statewide, there has been an increase in issuance due to Gina Parker and her team.

6.01.02
Establish Revenue & Expense Line Items, Resolution 26-02-06-01-02

Dr. Mark Hendrickson moved and Ashley Jones seconded a motion to approve Resolution 26-02-06-01-02 to establish revenue and expense line items. This will be utilized to properly account for funds identified as prior year adjustments, be adopted; motion carried.

Discussion:

Katie Taylor reviewed the additional line items.

6.01.03
Permission to Approve Appropriations for Increase/Decrease

Dr. Mark Hendrickson moved and Christine Sutter seconded a motion to approve Appropriations for Increase/Decrease; motion carried.

Discussion:

Katie Taylor said this is necessary to move funds to specific line items for the year.

6.02

Permission to Approve the 2027 Geauga Public Health Budget

Dr. Mark Hendrickson moved and Ashley Jones seconded a motion to approve the 2027 Geauga Public Health Budget; motion carried.

Katie Taylor said there has not been much change since reviewing the 2026 budget in November. The biggest change is from the transfers out for the Cross Jurisdictional Agreement. Revenues and expenditures have not changed much, but there is more revenue as a result of not replacing a sanitarian.

Discussion:

Ashley Jones asked what is GPH doing with the increased revenue. Adam Litke said, if it's septic-related, it will go towards the assistance fund for homeowners. In other areas, fees may be reduced as they are reduced to cover the costs of the programs.

Dr. Mark Hendrickson asked if the GPH budget will be affected if the property tax bill passes. Adam Litke said it would, to a loss of about \$650,000. It would mostly affect programs such as nursing and health education.

6.03

Permission to Submit Opioid Settlement Funds Grant, \$20,000

Dr. Mark Hendrickson moved and Christine Sutter seconded a motion to submit to the Geauga County Board of Mental Health and Recovery Services for an Opioid Settlement Funds grant for \$20,000 to support the drug overdose death reviews and social media prevention efforts. Funding is available to support evidence-based and community-driven strategies that prevent opioid misuse, reduce overdose deaths, expand access to treatment and recovery supports, and address the broader impacts of the opioid epidemic in alignment with state settlement requirements and identified local needs; motion carried.

Adam Litke said that the Geauga Board of Mental Health has access to the opioid settlement dollars. If received, it will be used to help fund the Drug Overdose and Suicide Fatality Review Board.

6.04

Resolution Authorizing Dan Lark, Administrator, to Apply for, Accept, and Enter into a Water Pollution Control Loan Fund Agreement on Behalf of Geauga Public Health of Geauga County for the Repair and Replacement of Home Sewage Treatment Systems

Christine Sutter moved and Dr. Mark Hendrickson seconded a motion to approve the resolution authorizing Dan Lark, Administrator, to apply for, accept, and enter into a Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (WPCLF) agreement on behalf of Geauga Public Health for the repair or replacement of home septic systems; motion carried. Ashley Jones abstained.



GEAUGA PUBLIC HEALTH

12611 Ravenwood Dr., Suite 301, Chardon, OH 44024-1071

Resolution No. 2026-01

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DAN LARK, ADMINISTRATOR, TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT, AND ENTER INTO A WATER POLLUTION CONTROL LOAN FUND AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF GEAUGA PUBLIC HEALTH OF GEAUGA COUNTY FOR THE REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT OF HOME SEWAGE TREATMENT SYSTEMS:

Whereas, Geauga Public Health of Geauga County seeks to repair and/or replace failing home sewage treatment systems; and

Whereas, Geauga Public Health of Geauga County intends to apply to the Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (WPCLF) for the repair and/or replacement of failing home sewage treatment systems; and

Whereas, the Ohio Water Pollution Control Loan Fund requires the government authority to pass legislation for application of a loan and the execution of a WPCLF assistance agreement; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Geauga County Board of Health of Geauga Public Health of Geauga County, Ohio:

SECTION 1. That Dan Lark or his designee be and is hereby authorized to apply for a WPCLF assistance agreement, sign all documents for and enter into a Water Pollution Control Loan Fund agreement with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency for the repair and/or replacement of failing home sewage treatment systems on behalf of Geauga Public Health of Geauga County, Ohio.

SECTION 2. That this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

On February 18, 2026, at the regular monthly Board of Health meeting, _____ moved and _____ seconded the motion to approve Resolution 2026-01. The motion was approved with a roll call vote.

Ashley Jones, Pharm D
President _____
Signature

Vote

Dr. Mark Hendrickson
Pro-Tem. _____
Signature

Vote

Melissa DeBoth

Signature

Vote

Lynn Roman	_____	_____
	Signature	Vote
Christine Sutter	_____	_____
	Signature	Vote

6.05

Resolution 2026-02: A Resolution to Authorize a Warrant for Payment Based on a Then and Now Certificate for Purchases, and Declaring an Emergency to Lake County General Health, \$466,476.29

Dr. Mark Hendrickson moved and Ashley Jones seconded a motion to adopt Resolution 2026-02 to authorize the payment of a resolution to authorize a warrant for payment based on a then and now certificate for purchases, and declaring an emergency to Lake County General Health for payment for Cross Jurisdictional Agreement costs for July, August, September, October 2025 in the amount of \$466,476.29; motion carried.

6.06

Resolution 2026-03: A Resolution to Authorize a Warrant for Payment Based on a Then and Now Certificate for Purchases, and Declaring an Emergency to Lake County General Health, \$216,089.82

Dr. Mark Hendrickson moved and Ashley Jones seconded a motion to adopt Resolution 2026-03 to authorize the payment of a resolution to authorize a warrant for payment based on a then and now certificate for purchases, and declaring an emergency to Lake County General Health for payment for Cross Jurisdictional Agreement costs for November and December 2025 in the amount of \$216,089.82; motion carried.

6.07

Resolution of Appreciation for Ashley Jones

Dr. Mark Hendrickson moved and Melissa DeBoth seconded a motion to approve the Resolution of Appreciation for Ashley Jones; motion carried. Ashley Jones abstained.

**RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION
for
ASHLEY JONES**

**FOR DEDICATED SERVICES TO THE RESIDENTS OF GEAUGA COUNTY AND
THE GEAUGA PUBLIC HEALTH BOARD OF HEALTH**

WHEREAS, Ashley Jones was appointed to the Board of Health of Geauga Public Health commencing March 2021; and

WHEREAS, Ashley Jones has concluded her term of service on the Board of Health effective February 2026; and

WHEREAS, during her tenure of 5 years, Ashley Jones served not only the residents of her immediate community, but all residents of Geauga County in performing her duties on the Board of Health with integrity and passion; and

WHEREAS, Ashley Jones served with distinction, earning the profound respect and trust of her fellow Board Members and the Health District staff; and

WHEREAS, Ashley Jones's leadership and vision were instrumental during multiple public health crises, providing steady guidance on issues vital to the health and safety of the community; and

WHEREAS, her commitment to public health excellence and her collaborative spirit have left a lasting positive impact on the operations and future direction of the District.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

That the members of the Board of Health, the Health District staff, and the members of the community wish to say thank you to Ashley Jones for her dedicated service to this Board and to her fellow Geauga County residents.

Presented this 18th day of February, 2026.

Adam Litke, MPH
Health Commissioner

7.0 **Citizens' Remarks**

Ashley Jones outlined the process and policies for providing public comment. Those who would like to comment but not attend the meeting are invited to email info@geaugacountyhealth.org and their comments will be forwarded to the Board.

A member of the public asked if the new Board member will be appointed at the Health District Advisory Council (HDAC) Meeting. Adam Litke confirmed and stated the meeting will be held on March 11, 2026, and that Mr. Sutter receives the resumes of the applicants.

A member of the public discussed meeting procedures, asked about the HDAC and changes in township trustees, and asked about the Operation and Maintenance Program. Adam Litke said the Health District Advisory Council (HDAC) is not part of the Board of Health. The HDAC creates their own agendas for their meetings. GPH does not receive notice of changes. He also provided clarification on future meeting procedures. Dan Lark will answer the O&M questions following the meeting.

8.0
Adjournment

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:48 p.m.

BOARD OF HEALTH
GEAUGA PUBLIC HEALTH
February 18, 2026

The Board of the Geauga Public Health met this day, February 18, 2026, in a regularly scheduled meeting with the following members present:

Mark Hendricks
Shelby Jones

Melissa DeBoth
Ch

Dr. Mark Hendricks presented the following resolution and named its adoption.

RESOLUTION TO: APPROVE CURRENT BILLS FOR PAYMENT

WHEREAS, the Board of the Geauga Public Health hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the adoption of this resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board of Health, and that all the deliberations of this Board of Health and of its committees, if any, which resulted in formal actions, were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Revised Code, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Health, by this resolution, approves the payment of current bills as indicated on the attached recapitulation sheets.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Health in and for the Geauga Public Health, that as evidenced by the Certification of Funds signed by the Geauga County Auditor, the Health Commissioner is hereby authorized to forward a certified copy of this resolution and attached recapitulation sheets to the Geauga County Auditor for payment of current bills during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2025.

Melissa DeBoth seconded the resolution and the vote being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

"AYES" 4

"NAYS" 0

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

I, Adam Litke, Health Commissioner of the Board of Health do hereby certify that this is a true and accurate copy of a resolution adopted by the said Board on February 18, 2026.

Witness my hand this 18th day of February 2026.

Secretary, Board of Health

[Signature]



Accounts Payable by G/L Distribution Report

Invoice Date Range 01/01/26 - 01/31/26

Vendor	Invoice No.	Invoice Description	Status	Invoice Date	G/L Date	Invoice Amount
Fund 6002 - Board of Health Fund						
Account 901.5303 - Other VS Remit to State	26200519	2025 Q3 Vital Statistics Technology Fees	Paid by Check # 1193543	01/07/2026	01/14/2026	24,702.64
12955 - STATE OF OHIO		Account 901.5303 - Other VS Remit to State			Invoice Transactions	\$24,702.64
Account 902 - Travel						
19310 - GEAGA COUNTY TOWNSHIP ASSOCIATION	Q1 2026 1/14/26	Q1 2026 Township Quarterly Dinner Meeting 1/14/2026	Paid by Check # 1193553	01/07/2026	01/14/2026	175.00
		Account 902 - Travel			Invoice Transactions	\$175.00
Fund 6005 - Food Service Fund						
Account 916 - State Remittance	Q4FOOD	2025 Ohio Dept of Agriculture-Transmittal for Retail Food	Paid by Check # 1194419	01/23/2026	01/28/2026	56.00
5398 - OHIO DEPT OF AGRICULTURE LAB.	Q4FOODSER	Food Service Operation Transmittal Q4 2025	Paid by Check # 1194420	01/23/2026	01/28/2026	222.00
12955 - STATE OF OHIO		Account 916 - State Remittance			Invoice Transactions	\$278.00
		Fund 6005 - Food Service Fund			Invoice Transactions	\$278.00
Fund 6011 - Private Water Systems Fund						
Account 916.5300 - State Remittance Ohio Permit Fee	Q4250DNR	PWS Permit Transmittal ODNR 10/1/25-12/31/25	Paid by Check # 1194422	01/23/2026	01/28/2026	648.00
53449 - TREAS OF STATE-OH DEPT OF HLTH	Q4250DHD	PWS Permit Transmittal ODH 10/1/25-12/31/25	Paid by Check # 1194423	01/23/2026	01/28/2026	2,664.00
53449 - TREAS OF STATE-OH DEPT OF HLTH		Account 916.5300 - State Remittance Ohio Permit Fee			Invoice Transactions	\$3,312.00
		Fund 6011 - Private Water Systems Fund			Invoice Transactions	\$3,312.00
Fund 6037 - Health For Sale of Property						
Account 901 - Other	Aug-Sep-Oct 2025	2025 Lab Billing Aug-Sep-Oct (Gauga Public Health)	Paid by Check # 1193555	01/07/2026	01/14/2026	11,070.00
22431 - GEAGA COUNTY WATER RESOURCES	Nov 2025	2025 Lab Billing - Nov (Gauga Public Health)	Paid by Check # 1193556	01/07/2026	01/14/2026	1,140.00
22431 - GEAGA COUNTY WATER RESOURCES		Install 15 sample boxes	Paid by Check # 1194421	01/23/2026	01/28/2026	1,200.00
14208 - GREEN ACRES LAWN SERVICES INC	00094584	Account 901 - Other			Invoice Transactions	\$13,410.00



Accounts Payable by G/L Distribution Report

Invoice Date Range 01/01/26 - 01/31/26

Fund 6037 - Health For Sale of Property Totals	Invoice	Transactions
	\$13,410.00	
Grand Totals	Invoice	Transactions
	\$41,877.64	

* = Prior Fiscal Year Activity



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GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

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To: Ms. Pam McMahan, Chief Operations Officer

At the February 18, 2026 meeting of the Geauga Public Health Board of Health, the Board approved the submittal of the *Request for Fund Approval or Additional Line Items* form (attached) to the Geauga County Auditor's Office. The request seeks access to the additional line items below:

Revenue

- 6043-053-00-424 Inspection Fees
- 6043-053-00-499 Transfers In

Expense

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 6043-053-00-502 Medicare | 6043-053-00-601 Contract Services |
| 6043-053-00-503 Hospitalization | 6043-053-00-701 Materials & Supplies |
| 6043-053-00-504 OPERS | 6043-053-00-801 Equipment |
| 6043-053-00-505 Workers Compensation | 6043-053-00-901 Other |
| 6043-053-00-506 Unemployment | 6043-053-00-902 Travel |
| 6043-053-00-999 Transfers Out | 6043-053-00-917 Refunds |



 Ashley Jones, President



 vote



 Mark Hendrickson, Pres Pro-Tem



 vote



 Melissa DeBoth



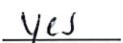
 vote

 Lynn Roman

 vote



 Christine Sutter



 vote

BOARD OF HEALTH
GEAUGA PUBLIC HEALTH
February 18, 2026

The Board of the Geauga Public Health met this day, February 18, 2026, in a regular meeting with the following members present:

Ashley Jones
Melissa DeBorja

Ch

Dr. Mark Hendrickson presented the following resolution and named its adoption.

RESOLUTION TO: Establish Revenue & Expense Line Items

WHEREAS, the Board of Geauga Public Health determines that all formal actions relative to the adoption of this resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board of Health, and that all the deliberations of this Board of Health, and of its committees, if any, which resulted in formal actions, were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Revised Code, and

WHEREAS, the Finance Department of Geauga Public Health has recommended the addition of revenue and expense line items within the 6043 Operations & Maintenance Fund to properly account for and make available funds within said fund;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Health of Geauga Public Health that the Geauga County Auditor is hereby requested to add and make available the appropriate revenue and expense line items within Fund 6043 for budgeting and expenditure purposes;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Health Commissioner of the Board is hereby directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the Geauga County Auditor.

Ashley Jones seconded the resolution and the vote being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

"AYES" 4
"NAYS" 0

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

I, Adam Litke, Health Commissioner of the Board of Health do hereby certify that this is a true and accurate copy of a Resolution adopted by the said Board on February 18, 2026.

Witness my hand this 18th day of February, 2026.



Secretary, Board of Health

Resolution No. 26-02-06-01-02



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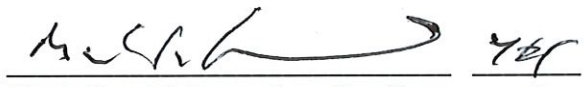
To: Ms. Pam McMahan, Chief Operations Officer

At the February 18, 2026 meeting of the Geauga Public Health Board of Health, the Board adopted the following Supplemental Appropriations:

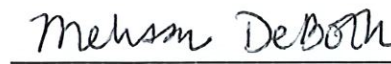
Fund Name	Fund Number	Dept	Sub Dept	Account	Description	Increase
Board of Health	6002	053	00	601	Contract Services	\$50,000.00
Board of Health	6002	053	00	701.5301	Materials & Supplies	\$10,000.00
Food Service	6005	053	00	801	Equipment	\$70,000.00
Food Service	6005	053	00	917	Refunds	\$1,000.00
Private Water Systems	6011	053	00	917	Refunds	\$500.00
Sewage Treatment System	6023	053	00	801	Equipment	\$35,000.00
Sewage Treatment System	6023	053	00	917	Refunds	\$1,000.00
Total Supplemental Appropriations:						\$167,500.00


Ashley Jones, President


vote


Mark Hendrickson, Pres Pro-Tem


vote

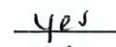

Melissa DeBoth


vote

Lynn Roman

vote


Christine Sutter


vote



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To: Ms. Pam McMahan, Chief Operations Officer

At the February 18, 2026 meeting of the Geauga Public Health Board of Health, the Board adopted the following Supplemental Appropriations:


Fund Name	Fund Number	Dept	Sub Dept	Account	Description	Increase
Operations & Maintenance	6043	53	00	601	Contract Services	\$100,000.00
Operations & Maintenance	6043	53	00	917	Refunds	\$1,000.00
Total Supplemental Appropriations:						\$101,000.00



Ashley Jones, President




vote



Mark Hendrickson, Pres Pro-Tem



vote



Melissa DeBoth



vote

Lynn Roman

vote



Christine Sutter



vote

Fund Name	Fund #	Beginning Cash	Revenue	Expense	Rev - Exp	Total	Rev-Exp (no transfers)	Transfers In	Transfers Out	Projected Ending Cash Balance	Estimated Resources Less Transfers In	Appropriations Less Transfers Out	Estimated Resources Exceed/(do not exceed) appropriations
Board of Health	6002	\$ 173,163.46	\$ 1,047,584.00	\$ 986,750.27	\$ 90,833.73	\$ 264,017.19	\$ 90,833.73	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 264,017.19	\$ 1,220,767.46	\$ 956,750.27	\$ 284,017.19
Trailer Park	6004	\$ 11,267.01	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,100.00	\$ 900.00	\$ 12,167.01	\$ 900.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,167.01	\$ 15,267.01	\$ 3,100.00	\$ 12,167.01
Food Service	6005	\$ 90,657.76	\$ 288,700.00	\$ 258,606.90	\$ 10,093.10	\$ 100,750.86	\$ 10,093.10	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100,750.86	\$ 359,357.76	\$ 258,606.90	\$ 100,750.86
Infectious Waste	6008	\$ 79,082.95	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ -	\$ 79,082.95	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 79,082.95	\$ 94,082.95	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 79,082.95
Private Water Sys.	6011	\$ 763.07	\$ 92,000.00	\$ 83,500.00	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 9,263.07	\$ 8,500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,263.07	\$ 92,763.07	\$ 83,500.00	\$ 9,263.07
Swimming Pool	6018	\$ 20,777.33	\$ 11,250.00	\$ 2,880.00	\$ 8,370.00	\$ 29,147.33	\$ 8,370.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 29,147.33	\$ 32,027.33	\$ 2,880.00	\$ 29,147.33
Public Health Inf.	6021	\$ 377,843.60	\$ 160,000.00	\$ 153,000.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 384,843.60	\$ 7,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 384,843.60	\$ 597,943.60	\$ 153,000.00	\$ 384,843.60
Sewage Treatment	6023	\$ 653,263.29	\$ 409,300.00	\$ 391,606.90	\$ 17,693.10	\$ 670,956.39	\$ 17,693.10	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 670,956.39	\$ 1,062,563.29	\$ 391,606.90	\$ 670,956.39
Immun. Act. Plan	6025	\$ 28,440.22	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 28,440.22	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 28,440.22	\$ 28,440.22	\$ -	\$ 28,440.22
WIC	6026	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
CFHS	6027	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Emergency Response	6030	\$ 17,315.27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 17,315.27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 17,315.27	\$ 17,315.27	\$ -	\$ 17,315.27
Evn. Health Assist.	6036	\$ 52,159.42	\$ 160,000.00	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 62,159.42	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 62,159.42	\$ 212,159.42	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 62,159.42
For Sale of Prop.	6037	\$ 167,371.67	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -	\$ 167,371.67	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 167,371.67	\$ 177,371.67	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 167,371.67
Accred.	6038	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
A.T.O.D	6039	\$ 39,659.75	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 39,659.75	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 39,659.75	\$ 39,659.75	\$ -	\$ 39,659.75
Injury Prevention	6040	\$ 47,408.26	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 47,408.26	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 47,408.26	\$ 47,408.26	\$ -	\$ 47,408.26
Workforce Dev.	6041	\$ 48,867.06	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ -	\$ 48,867.06	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 48,867.06	\$ 148,867.06	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 48,867.06
Population Health	6042	\$ 22,709.93	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	\$ -	\$ 22,709.93	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 22,709.93	\$ 62,709.93	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 22,709.93
Operations & Maint	6043	\$ 338,512.51	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 286,106.90	\$ 13,893.10	\$ 352,405.61	\$ 13,893.10	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 352,405.61	\$ 638,512.51	\$ 286,106.90	\$ 352,405.61
Total		\$ 2,169,282.56	\$ 2,617,834.00	\$ 2,450,550.95	\$ 167,283.05	\$ 2,336,565.61	\$ 167,283.05	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,336,565.61			

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\$ 167,283.05 Revenue above/(under) expenses

\$ 25,134.39 Built in Buffer for Salary & Fringes

\$ 192,417.43 Revenue over/(under) expense after Salary & Fringe buffer removed



GEAUGA PUBLIC HEALTH

12611 Ravenwood Dr., Suite 301, Chardon, OH 44024-1071

Resolution No. 2026-01

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DAN LARK, ADMINISTRATOR, TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT, AND ENTER INTO A WATER POLLUTION CONTROL LOAN FUND AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF GEAUGA PUBLIC HEALTH OF GEAUGA COUNTY FOR THE REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT OF HOME SEWAGE TREATMENT SYSTEMS:

Whereas, Geauga Public Health of Geauga County seeks to repair and/or replace failing home sewage treatment systems; and

Whereas, Geauga Public Health of Geauga County intends to apply to the Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (WPCLF) for the repair and/or replacement of failing home sewage treatment systems; and

Whereas, the Ohio Water Pollution Control Loan Fund requires the government authority to pass legislation for application of a loan and the execution of a WPCLF assistance agreement; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Geauga County Board of Health of Geauga Public Health of Geauga County, Ohio:

SECTION 1. That Dan Lark or his designee be and is hereby authorized to apply for a WPCLF assistance agreement, sign all documents for and enter into a Water Pollution Control Loan Fund agreement with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency for the repair and/or replacement of failing home sewage treatment systems on behalf of Geauga Public Health of Geauga County, Ohio.

SECTION 2. That this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

On February 18, 2026, at the regular monthly Board of Health meeting, Christine Sutter moved and Dr. Mark Hendrickson seconded the motion to approve Resolution 2026-01. The motion was approved with a roll call vote.

Ashley Jones, Pharm D President	<u>Ashley Jones</u> Signature	<u>abstain</u> Vote
Dr. Mark Hendrickson Pro-Tem.	<u>[Signature]</u> Signature	<u>YES</u> Vote
Melissa DeBoth	<u>Melissa DeBoth</u> Signature	<u>Yes</u> Vote
Lynn Roman	_____ Signature	_____ Vote
Christine Sutter	<u>[Signature]</u> Signature	<u>Yes</u> Vote



GEAUGA PUBLIC HEALTH

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Resolution No. 2026-02

2/18/2026

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE A WARRANT FOR PAYMENT BASED ON A THEN AND NOW CERTIFICATE FOR PURCHASES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.41(D) provides a process for a Geauga Public Health District (GPH), as a political subdivision of the state and a taxing unit, to authorize a Then and Now Certificate to cover financial commitments made to vendors or other parties of the District prior to the Geauga County Auditor's Certification, through a formal purchase order or otherwise; and

WHEREAS, this GPH Board has requested from the Geauga County Auditor a certification, with respect to the item listed in Section 1 of this Resolution, that there was at the time of the making the contract or order and at the time of the execution of the certificate, a sufficient sum appropriated for the purpose specified in the contract and in the treasury, or in process of collection, to the credit of an appropriate fund free from any previous encumbrances; and

WHEREAS, the GPH Board now desires to authorize the drawing of a warrant in payment of the amounts due upon such contract or order.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the GPH Board, State of Ohio:

Section 1: That the drawing of a warrant in payment not to exceed the following amount due is hereby authorized:

Vendor	Description	Amount	Fund Account Number
Lake County General Health	Payment for Cross Jurisdictional Agreement Costs for July, August, September, October 2025	\$466,476.29	6002-053-00-601

Section 2: It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board that resulted in this formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 3: This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare, and for the further reason for the need to authorize the above payments; wherefore, provided this receives the affirmative vote of a majority of the members of this Board and it shall take effect immediately upon its passage and execution by its members; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: 02-18-2026

David Lavelle

Ashley Jones
Ashley Jones, President vote

Mark Hendrickson yes
Mark Hendrickson, Pres Pro-Tem vote

Melissa DeBoth yes
Melissa DeBoth vote

Lynn Roman vote

Christine Sutter yes
Christine Sutter vote



GEAUGA PUBLIC HEALTH

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Resolution No. 2026-03

2/18/2026

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE A WARRANT FOR PAYMENT BASED ON A THEN AND NOW CERTIFICATE FOR PURCHASES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.41(D) provides a process for a Geauga Public Health District (GPH), as a political subdivision of the state and a taxing unit, to authorize a Then and Now Certificate to cover financial commitments made to vendors or other parties of the District prior to the Geauga County Auditor's Certification, through a formal purchase order or otherwise; and

WHEREAS, this GPH Board has requested from the Geauga County Auditor a certification, with respect to the item listed in Section 1 of this Resolution, that there was at the time of the making the contract or order and at the time of the execution of the certificate, a sufficient sum appropriated for the purpose specified in the contract and in the treasury, or in process of collection, to the credit of an appropriate fund free from any previous encumbrances; and

WHEREAS, the GPH Board now desires to authorize the drawing of a warrant in payment of the amounts due upon such contract or order.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the GPH Board, State of Ohio:

Section 1: That the drawing of a warrant in payment not to exceed the following amount due is hereby authorized:

Vendor	Description	Amount	Fund Account Number
Lake County General Health	Payment for Cross Jurisdictional Agreement Costs for November & December 2025	\$216,089.82	6002-053-00-601

Section 2: It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board that resulted in this formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 3: This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare, and for the further reason for the need to authorize the above payments; wherefore, provided this receives the affirmative vote of a majority of the members of this Board and it shall take effect immediately upon its passage and execution by its members; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: 02-18-2026 DaD Lal

Ashley Jones Y
Ashley Jones, President vote

Mark Hendrickson yes
Mark Hendrickson, Pres Pro-Tem vote

Melissa DeBoth yes
Melissa DeBoth vote

Lynn Roman vote

Christine Sutter yes
Christine Sutter vote