

BOARD OF HEALTH

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MEMBERS

Dr. Lorrie Tritt, Lee Ann Minton,
Terry Collins, Aimrie Ream-Taylor, Darcel Shankle
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MEETING LOCATION

Chambers

Minutes: Wednesday, August 19, 2026

I. Call to Order

Present: BOH Chair Dr. Lorrie Tritt, BOH Vice Chair Commissioner Collins, Lee Ann Minton, Darcel Shankle, Aimrie Ream-Taylor

Also Present: Monica Hunt, Courtney LaCourse, Kasee Johnson, Jaime Greenwald, Natalie Johnson, Dr. Chernin

The August 19, 2026, BOH meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM by BOH Vice Chair Dr. Lorrie Tritt.

II. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Lee Ann Minton, supported by Commissioner Collins, to approve the August 19, 2026, BOH agenda as presented. Motion carried, 5-0.

III. Approval of Minutes

A. Approval of Minutes: July 15, 2026

Motion by Darcel Shankle, supported by Commissioner Collins, to approve the June 17, 2026, BOH meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried, 5-0.

IV. Reports - Board of Health

A. Review of Accounts Payable Report

Accounts Payable (AP) Invoice Report [July 2026] — The monthly AP Invoice Report (Full text on file) was reviewed.

Motion by Commissioner Collins, supported by Lee Ann Minton to approve the July Accounts Payable Report.

B. Health Officer's Report

Health Officer Monica Hunt provided information on upcoming events. Health Check will be at the Align Center on September 24 from 8 a.m.- 2 p.m. Project Connect will be held at the Lenawee County Fair Merchants Building on October 28 from 10 a.m.–1:30 pm. Respiratory illnesses remain low, and transmission levels have not changed. There have

been no additional detections of avian influenza since March. There have been 16 measles cases reported throughout the State of Michigan; however, there have been no cases reported in Lenawee County.

The Cyclospora response has slowed drastically, however, cases continue to be reported. As of last week, 414 cases had been reported by MDHSS as part of the 17-state outbreak.

Salmonella has recently been in the news, with jalapeños recalled on August 14 as part of a 27-state outbreak. There are currently no confirmed cases in Lenawee County.

Eggs were recalled by Midwest Poultry Services on July 21 as part of a 17-state outbreak investigation. There are currently no confirmed cases in Lenawee County.

A human case of swine influenza (H1N2) was detected August 14 following the sudden death of a pig on August 7.

A human case of Eastern equine encephalitis (EEE) was reported in Michigan today. A human case of West Nile virus was also detected in Michigan in August.

C. Medical Director Update

Medical Director Dennis Chernin provided a report and presentation on Lyme disease.

Nursing Director Natalie Johnson provided an update on Lyme disease statistics in Lenawee County.

In 2022, no cases of Lyme disease were reported. In 2023, there were 4 reported cases, followed by 8 cases in 2024 and 21 cases in 2025. This increase resulted in Lenawee County being classified as a high-risk county for Lyme disease. As of today, 22 cases have already been reported in 2026.

V. Existing Business

No discussion.

VI. New Business

No discussion.

VII. Program Reports - Board of Health

A. Personal Health

Nursing Director Natalie Johnson reported that the clinics are becoming busier with back-to-school requirements.

Respiratory vaccines, including COVID, influenza, and RSV vaccines, are expected to be available beginning in October.

B. Environmental Health

Kasee Johnson reported that several new food establishments have recently opened or are in the planning stages.

The Golden Griddle and the Rusty Rail Bar & Grill have recently opened. Chick-fil-A and 7 Brew are coming to Adrian. Plans have also been received for Jimmy John's, Dunkin, and Domino's locations in Tecumseh.

Kasee provided a brief update on the Vector Surveillance Program. No black-legged ticks have been identified during tick drags conducted this season. In addition, no invasive mosquito species have been detected.

Kasee provided a brief update on the Beach Monitoring Program. No beach advisories have been issued so far this year. Both the Vector Surveillance and Beach Monitoring Programs will be wrapping up within the next couple of weeks.

Kasee stated other seasonal inspections, including pool and campground inspections, are also wrapping up for the season.

Kasee also mentioned that an Adrian Mall Fair will be taking place within the next couple of weeks. The department has received applications requiring campground and food inspections for the event.

C. Emergency Preparedness

Monica reported that several trainings and drills related to the Michigan Volunteer Registry have been taking place.

Monica has also been working with Region 1 to identify Public Health's role in mass fatality response.

D. Finance

Finance Director Jaime Greenwald reported that the fiscal year ends on September 30. The State budget was due last month.

County budgets were postponed and will be entered this week.

1) Quarter 3 Report

Jaime reported that the department is currently at 65% of its annual budget. Expenditures are coming in lower than anticipated.

VIII. Public Comment

BOH member Aimrie-Ream Taylor stated that the Adrian Police Department will be holding a scam prevention and awareness presentation on September 3 at the Adrian City Chambers. Sessions will be held from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM and from 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM.

IX. Adjournment

The Lenawee County BOH meeting was adjourned at 4:39 PM by BOH Chair Dr. Lorrie Tritt.

