

MINUTES

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Board of Allen County Commissioners will be in session

Tuesday and Thursday and adjourn upon completion of business

DESCRIPTION	GENERAL SESSION
DATE	April 21, 2026
LOCATION	COMMISSIONER'S MEETING ROOM
	PRESENT: Brian Winegardner Beth Seibert Cory Noonan
TIME:	GENERAL SESSION – RECORDED
8:00 a.m.	<p>Investment Inventory Follow-Up Discussion—Rachael Gilroy, Keith Cheney, Ciara Maag, Krista Bohn and Susan Wildermuth</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of projects/funding that are currently collecting interest <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -general discussion on moving the funds received from interest from the general fund -once funds are deposited into the general fund, those funds are able to be moved to other funds i.e. capital fund • Discussion on the group in attendance today meeting with Speaker Huffman to discuss the county's cash balance and what all is included in that number <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -not all included is general fund -Commissioner Noonan will work on scheduling a meeting to further discuss with Speaker Huffman • General discussion on ARPA Funding <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Susan Wildermuth and Ciara Maag will get together and audit the accounting to ensure all is balanced • Discussion on upcoming TIF and CRA Informational Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Brittany Woods and Susan Wildermuth will be attending

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of quote for IT Switches needed for the Government Center Building Project -Susan Wildermuth will review • Discussion on the possibility of the Auditor administering the county's TIRC -Auditor Gilroy will consider
8:35 a.m.	RECESS
9:00 a.m.	AGENDA MEETING
	PLEDGE—Cory Noonan
	<p>APPROVE AGENDA AS PRESENTED</p> <p><i>Commissioner Noonan moved to approve the agenda. Motion seconded by Commissioner Seibert. The roll was called and the agenda was approved unanimously.</i></p>
	<p>ITEMS FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approve the minutes of March 25, 2026 special session. 2. Approve the minutes of March 26, 2026 general session. 3. Approve the minutes of March 31, 2026 general session. 4. Approve the minutes of April 2, 2026 general session. 5. Approve the minutes of April 7, 2026 general session. 6. Approve the minutes of April 8, 2026 special session. 7. Approve the minutes of April 9, 2026 general session. 8. Approve the minutes of April 14, 2026 general session. <p><i>Commissioner Seibert moved to approve the minutes. Motion seconded by Commissioner Winegardner. The roll was called and the minutes were approved unanimously.</i></p> <p>9. Consent Agenda:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Resolution #308-26. Approve travel expenses. b. Resolution #309-26. Supplemental appropriation for the Capital Fund 4017. c. Resolution #310-26. Supplemental appropriation for the General Fund 1001.

- d. Resolution #311-26.** Authorize a warrant of transfer from the General Fund 1001 and Capital Fund 4017 to the CSEA Building Fund 4023.
- e. Resolution #312-26.** Authorize a warrant of transfer from the General Fund 1001 to the FCFC Fund 8072.
- f. Resolution #313-26.** Authorize a warrant of transfer from the Sanitary Engineering Department Operations Fund 5034 to the Surplus Fund 5035.
- g. Resolution #314-26.** Supplemental appropriation for the CSEA Building Fund 4023.
- h. Resolution #315-26.** Supplemental appropriation for the Courthouse Project Fund 4025.
- i. Resolution #316-26.** Supplemental appropriation for the WORTH Center Fund 8881.

Commissioner Winegardner moved to approve the resolutions. Motion seconded by Commissioner Noonan. The roll was called and the resolutions were approved unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS/SIGNATURES:

- 1. Resolution #317-26.** Authorize the renewal of Cloud Services subscription with Brightly Software, Inc. for the Allen County Building and Grounds Department. ***Commissioner Noonan moved to approve the resolution. Motion seconded by Commissioner Seibert. The roll was called and the resolution was approved unanimously.***

DISCUSSION

A. Department of Job and Family Services

- 1. Resolution #64-26A.** Amend Resolution #64-26, approve a subrecipient agreement between the Allen County Department of Job and Family Services and the Allen County Children Services Board. ***Commissioner Seibert moved to approve the resolution. Motion seconded by Commissioner Winegardner. Amendment is needed to the TANF amounts in the agreement. The roll was called and the resolution was approved unanimously.***

2. Resolution #65-26A. Amend Resolution #65-26, approve a memorandum of understanding to address child abuse and neglect between the Allen County Children Services and specific community partners in Allen County, Ohio. **Commissioner Seibert moved to approve the resolution. Motion seconded by Commissioner Winegardner.** Amendment is needed for \$930.00 to be returned to the Department of Job and Family Services. **The roll was called and the resolution was approved unanimously.**

B. WORTH Center

1. Resolution #318-26. Authorize submission of a grant application to the Ohio Department of Children and Youth for the FY'2027 Fatherhood Grant. **Commissioner Winegardner moved to approve the resolution. Motion seconded by Commissioner Noonan.** Will be utilizing funding to include Van Wert and Shelby counties into current programming. **The roll was called and the resolution was approved unanimously.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

9:06 a.m.

RECESS

9:38 a.m.

Staff Update/County Projects Discussion

Sofia Clifton—

- **Provided an update on CORSA reimbursements**
-Cyber Security Reimbursement has been submitted
-Sheriffs Office Trainings have been submitted
-Loss Control Incentive and Bonus Program requirements will be sent out next week—Sofia Clifton will work on completing all requirements by the due date of September 16th
- **2026 Renewal payment has been submitted**
- **Twelve (12) Sheriff Vehicles have been sold at auction**
-proceeds from auction will be provided to the Commissioners once received
- **Provided an update on Children Services seeking restitution for vehicle damage**
-defendant did not appear, so there will be another court hearing

- **Discussion on bi-annual BWC training for Department Heads/Elected Officials or their representatives that handle filing BWC claims**
-training as been scheduled for July 22nd at Department of Job and Family Services
- **Received a BWC Summons of Complaint**
-previous injured worker has made an appeal
-Bugbee and Conkle will handle the case on behalf of the county to defer council to the State
-Cost of Bugbee and Conkle will be approximately \$500.00
-Commissioners are in agreeance with moving forward
- **Provided an update on a BWC claim at Board of Developmental Disabilities**
-claim has been appealed due to the belief of a prior injury
-injured worker will not sign the prior medical form release
-there has been a suspension placed on the claim until the release form is signed
- **Discussion on open seat on the Water District Board**
-review of the Water Districts proposed appointment, Nelson Bear
-Commissioners will consider the proposed appointment and consider any other interested individuals as well
- **Wellness 2026 will end June 30th**
-reminders to employees will begin to be sent via email
- **Allen County Building appraisals have been completed**

Brittany Woods—

- **Received an invite from the Fraternal Order of Police, Lima Lodge #21 for their annual memorial service**
-Brittany Woods will prepare a proclamation for the event recognizing Police Week May 10th-16th
- **Received communication from Ben Suever, Village of Spencerville, with a request for the Village of Spencerville Neighborhood Relief Grant application**
-Beth Seibert will review and determine next steps
- **Discussion on Courthouse Review Committee of RFQs for Design Firms**
- **General discussion on Courthouse Renovation Project timeline and budget**

-will rely on the Design Firm to help the Commissioners define

Susan Wildermuth—

- **Review of quotes from the Auditor for IT Switches and connections for the Government Center Building Project**
 - cost will be approximately \$35,000.00
 - Susan Wildermuth will begin moving funds from Capital to have in place and the Commissioners will further review and discuss with Jason Patchet
- **Susan Wildermuth and Brittany Woods will be attending the TIF and CRA informational meeting next week**
- **Discussion on payment to Regional Planning Commission per yearly agreement**
 - will process payment
- **Discussion on AED supplies for the Government Center**
 - will plan to move current machines from the Courthouse once vacated
- **Part Time employee Mary Hoersten will be returning in the summer**
- **Budget packets were provided to the Commissioners for review in preparation for tomorrow's budget meeting**

Brian Winegardner—

- **9-1-1 Committee will be convening to discuss the City of Lima's request for funding for them to field cell phone 9-1-1 calls within the city**
 - Commissioners will further discuss with Jared Gesler

Beth Seibert—

- **City of Lima has invited the Commissioners to participate in the Veterans Memorial Grove Dedication Ceremony on May 12th**
- **Received invitation for Memorial Day Program**
 - event will be held at the American Legion following the Memorial Day parade
 - Brittany Woods will prepare a proclamation
- **General discussion on providing additional funding to Allen Soil and Water Conservation District for administration of the Stormwater Management and Sediment Control Regulations**

-review of current Allen Soil & Water Conservation District Farm Lease—lease agreement can be adjusted to get amount to market rate per acre
-review of current Allen Soil & Water Conservation District Office Space Lease –adjustments can be made to get amount to market rate per square footage

Beth Seibert left the meeting at 10:49 a.m.

-Commissioners will further discuss tomorrow during the Budget Meeting

Cory Noonan—

- Discussion on Nursing Home Bed Lease**
-a request has been made to lower the cost of beds
-will further discuss with John Willamowski Jr.
- Discussion on Insurance Coverage for second check on potential fraudulent invoices if a phone call/communication is not made to confirm validity**
-Sofia Clifton will discuss with CORSA

11:01 a.m.

RECESS

1:00 p.m.

EMA Vehicle and Equipment Discussion—Jared Gesler

- Discussion on donating county’s old Urban Search and Rescue Trailer to the Lima Fire Department**
-Commissioners are in agreeance with transferring said trailer
- Discussion on receiving the Lima Fire Department Heavy Rescue Fire Truck as a donation to the Hazmat Team**
-Lima Fire Department has downsized their Heavy Rescue truck and are willing to donate to the Hazmat Team
-truck is in working order and all maintenance records are available
- General discussion on the pros and cons on having the Heavy Rescue Fire Truck vs. a trailer to hold all Hazmat equipment**
-Jared Gesler would prefer to have the Heavy Rescue Truck and would fund the wrapping of the vehicle and continued maintenance of the vehicle
- Discussion on moving current AED units from the Courthouse to the Government Center once the Courthouse is vacated**

	<p>-Jared Gesler stated that there are four (4) in the courthouse that can be moved to the Government Center</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion on City of Lima’s request for funds from 9-1-1 wireless fees, as with the NextGen upgrade, they are now receiving wireless 9-1-1 calls within the City of Lima, which is an increase in calls for them <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -9-1-1 Committee will meet on May 5th and Brian Winegardner will report back information to the Commissioners after the meeting • General discussion on dispatching partnership with Shawnee Township <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -the State has advised that Allen County Dispatch stay on the line when calls are dispatched to Shawnee due to them not having necessary infrastructure/tracking to be a true PSAP <p>John Willamowski Jr. entered the meeting at 1:54 p.m.</p> <p>-Jared Gesler will further discuss with John Willamowski Jr. to determine if the county can charge Shawnee for their services, since they cannot disconnect once the 9-1-1 call is transferred</p>
2:01 p.m.	RECESS
2:05 p.m.	<p>Wiltsie-Beckner Annexation Deliberation – John Willamowski Jr.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of potential resolution for the Commissioners to consider in regards to the petition for the Wiltsie-Beckner Annexation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -discussion on revisions to be made to the proposed resolution -John Willamowski Jr. will make necessary revisions -resolution for consideration will be on Thursdays agenda for approval
2:40 p.m.	ADJOURN

Submitted by: Brittany Woods
Brittany N. Woods, Clerk

Approved by: Board of Allen County Commissioners

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