

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	August 18, 2026
LOCATION	COMMISSIONER'S MEETING ROOM
	PRESENT: Brian Winegardner Beth Seibert Cory Noonan
TIME:	GENERAL SESSION – RECORDED
9:05 a.m.	Staff Update/County Projects Discussion Sofia Clifton— • Provided an update on BWC case for an employee at Board of Developmental Disabilities -Sofia Clifton will be attending the SHO hearing along with a representative from Board of Developmental Disabilities • Juvenile Court had a BWC claim over the weekend -working with the department to get all correct documentation submitted • Discussion on Civic Center Board appointments -Beth Keehn will be stepping away from her position on the Board -David Faulkner of Mercy Health has been recommended as a replacement -Sofia Clifton will request his resume for the Commissioners to review • Discussion on Sheriff's Office purchases that were purchased prior to a resolution being passed -trailer, drone and van -the drone pilot will need to be covered under insurance

-the process for purchasing items has been reviewed with the Sheriff's Office and information has been provided to Sofia Clifton for the drone pilot to be added to insurance

- **Health Insurance Elected Officials/Department Heads Meeting has been scheduled for August 27th
-CEBCO will be invited to attend said meeting as well**

Brittany Woods—

- **Discussion on Retire/Rehire meetings scheduled
-Brittany Woods will prepare the draft Memorandum of Understandings for all three (3) meetings which will be provided to the employees during their meeting with the Commissioners for review**

Susan Wildermuth—

- **Discussion on transfer of state capital funds from Office of Business Management for Memorial Hall to the Port Authority
-Susan Wildermuth is working with her contact at Office of Business Management and will draft a Memorandum of Understanding for all parties**
- **Revisions to the Budget Letter have been made and will be sent to the Commissioners for their review**
- **Will be scheduling a meeting with Berlin Carroll and Judge Kohlrieser to discuss overtime lines**
- **Airport Authority funding has been transferred to their account for the ceiling repair project**
- **Discussion on administrative work that needs completed for Family Children First Council
-Susan Wildermuth and Cory Noonan will work on completing needed information**

Beth Seibert—

- **Discussion on Agreement of Affiliation for Crime Stoppers which allows them to capture funding through the courts
-the last record of approving the Agreement of Affiliation by resolution was done in 2008
-Beth Seibert will communicate with the Crime Stoppers Board that they will need to bring a formal request to the Board of Commissioners to consider approval of said agreement**

- **Discussion on Guardianship Services Board desire to apply a fee for services through the Department of Job and Family Services in regards to Adult Protective Services cases**
-Beth Seibert will provide information to Joe Patton based on the Commissioners contributions through insurance coverage
- **Discussion on Regional Transit Authority Board re-appointment of Precious Payne**
-Precious Payne does wish to continue serving on the Board and a resolution will be prepared for reappointment
- **Discussion on Revolving Loan Fund Board**
-two (2) members would like to be reappointed, but Marty McClure does not wish to be reappointed
-Beth Seibert will discuss with Chad King to determine if anyone from Citizens National Bank would like to be appointed to said Board
- **Discussion on potential appointment of Isaiah Pugh to the Children Services Board**
-Children Services Board would like to have a meeting with Isaiah Pugh prior to the Commissioners moving forward with passing a resolution for appointment
- **Provided an update on the interviews held with Design Firms for the Courthouse Renovation Project**
-next step will be negotiating a quote for services with the top firm once the score evaluations are finalized

Cory Noonan—

- **Discussion on Johnny Appleseed Metropolitan Parks District leases and possibility of transferring land directly to the parks district**
-John Willamowski Jr. stated that the land can be transferred
-the Commissioners are continuing to research
- **Discussion on transfer of Memorial Hall to the Port Authority**
-Commissioners asked John Willamowski Jr. to work with Attorney Rex Huffman on drafting the needed agreements, with an emphasis on the property not being transferred back to the county if development does not occur and all state capital funding received will be used toward decommissioning, if necessary

	• Discussion on Retire/Rehire with John Willamowski Jr.
10:57 a.m.	RECESS
11:03 a.m.	Proposed American Township Community Reinvestment Area Discussion—Cindy Leis, Tim Fitzpatrick, Rachael Gilroy, Keith Cheney, Mark Bishop and John Willamowski Jr. • Cindy Leis provided an overview on a proposed Community Reinvestment Area (CRA) in American Township -discussion on potential areas for redevelopment and new development possibilities • Review of proposed boundaries for a CRA -includes 70+ parcels for potential redevelopment and new development • Discussion on current zoning of the proposed area -currently zoned B2 with the possibility of rezoning as a Professional Business District • Cindy Leis has reached out to the Montrose Group from Columbus to provide a proposal for potential redevelopment of retail areas -will be reviewing said proposal and a presentation will be provided on August 24th • Commissioners will further review the proposed CRA and would request a consensus from the schools and township on their agreeance to move forward with said proposal
11:35 a.m.	RECESS
1:00 p.m.	Joint Board Ditch Assessments Discussion Present: Allen County-Commissioners Winegardner, Seibert and Noonan Auglaize County-Commissioners Spencer, Bambauer and Bergman Mercer County-Commissioners Muhlenkamp and Buschur Putnam County-Commissioners Schlumbohm, Brubaker and Wehri

Van Wert County-Commissioners Owens, Lichtensteiger and Wolfrum

Absent:

Mercer County-Commissioner Miller

- 1. Resolution #626-26.** Joint Board of Allen, Auglaize, Mercer, Putnam and Van Wert County Commissioners certify collection assessments for the maintenance on the Jennings Creek Joint County Ditch Project #1160 to the Allen, Auglaize, Mercer, Putnam and Van Wert County Auditors.
- **Nathan Davis provided an overview of the proposed assessment to be collected and work to be completed**

Commissioner Seibert moved for approval. Motion seconded by Commissioner Schlumbohm. The roll was called and the resolution was approved unanimously.

- 2. Resolution #583-26 (Previously tabled on August 4, 2026).** Joint Board of Allen and Auglaize County Commissioners certify collection assessments for maintenance on various ditches to the Allen and Auglaize County Auditors.
- **Nathan Davis provided an overview of the proposed assessment to be collected and work to be completed**

Commissioner Winegardner moved for approval. Motion seconded by Commissioner Bergman. The roll was called and the resolution was approved unanimously.

- 3. Resolution #627-26.** Joint Board of Allen, Putnam and Van Wert County Commissioners certify collection assessments for maintenance on the Flat Fork Creek Ditch Project #1224 to the Allen, Putnam and Van Wert County Auditors.
- **Nathan Davis provided an overview of the proposed assessment to be collected and work to be completed**

Commissioner Wehri moved for approval. Motion seconded by Commissioner Noonan. The roll was called and the resolution was approved unanimously.

4. Resolution #628-26. Joint Board of Allen and Van Wert County Commissioners certify collection assessments for maintenance on various ditches to the Allen and Van Wert County Auditors.

- **Nathan Davis provided an overview of the proposed assessment to be collected and work to be completed**

Commissioner Winegardner moved for approval. Motion seconded by Commissioner Wolfrum. The roll was called and the resolution was approved unanimously.

5. Resolution #629-26. Joint Board of Allen and Putnam County Commissioners certify collection assessments for maintenance on various ditches to the Allen and Putnam County Auditors.

- **Nathan Davis provided an overview of the proposed assessment to be collected and work to be completed**

Commissioner Schlumbohm moved for approval. Motion seconded by Commissioner Wehri. The roll was called and the resolution was approved unanimously.

6. Resolution #630-26. Allen County Commissioners certify collection assessments for maintenance on various ditches to the Allen County Auditor.

- **Nathan Davis provided an overview of the proposed assessment to be collected and work to be completed**

Commissioner Seibert moved for approval. Motion seconded by Commissioner Winegardner. The roll was called and the resolution was approved unanimously.

- **Putnam County Joint Board Ditches—Please see Putnam County Minutes**

1:16 p.m.

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Submitted by: Brittany Woods
Brittany N. Woods, Clerk

Approved by: Board of Allen County Commissioners

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