

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	September 15, 2026
LOCATION	COMMISSIONER'S MEETING ROOM
	PRESENT: Brian Winegardner Beth Seibert Cory Noonan
TIME:	GENERAL SESSION - RECORDED
9:00 a.m.	Staff Update/County Projects Discussion Sofia Clifton— • Provided an overview on new Workers Compensation claims -claims have been submitted • Discussion on funds being received from Sedgwick from claim won by the county against former County Engineer employee • Billion Back Refund from BWC will be received in the amount of \$265,737.00 • Discussion on insurance coverage for Memorial Hall and Children Services parking lot -property has been moved to the Port Authority -Port Authority has been removed as a covered board as they will be obtaining their own insurance coverage • Discussion on Wellness Completion for Wellness 2026—82% of employees had completed the Wellness Program • Discussion on Wellness Policy for 2027 -only change will be the updated dates • CORSA Audit and Building Inspection will be completed tomorrow

Brittany Woods—

- **Received communication from Kimberly Stiles, Allen Water District, requesting the Commissioners consider granting an easement for a future waterline project**
-will send proposed easement to John Willamowski Jr. for review
- **Received notification from Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in regards to revisions to the Flood Insurance Study and Flood Insurance Rate Map**
- **Received an expansive Public Records request in regards to Project BOSC/Google Data Center**
-will work with John Willamowski Jr. on preparing documents for a response to said request
- **Review and discussion Request for Qualifications on Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR) draft documents prepared by Bricker Graydon for the Courthouse Renovation Project**
-revisions will be discussed with Bricker Graydon
- **General discussion on involvement of the Clerk of Courts, Sheriff, Probate Judge and a person appointed by the Common Pleas Court Judge per ORC 153.36 in the approval of the plans, drawings, specifications and cost estimates for the Courthouse Renovation Project**

Susan Wildermuth—

- **Discussion on administrative funds remaining for fiscal year 2024 CDBG in the amount of \$10,026.09**
-Susan Wildermuth will provide documentation to GLCAP to draw down said funds for reimbursement of work completed
- **Letter has been prepared and sent to Lima Properties to recoup escalator in rent for 2025 and 2026 that was not received per the lease agreement**
-a letter will also be sent to notify Lima Properties that they will need to vacate the premises by March 31, 2027 as the building will be prepared to be sold
- **Discussion on needed additional funds for advertisements**
-Susan Wildermuth will move funds from Contingency to cover
- **Discussion on Revolving Loan Fund grant for Hume Road Sanitary Sewer Project**

-resolutions will be on Thursday's agenda to authorize expenditure of funds and also for the application

Brian Winegardner—

- **Provided an overview on discussions with the Sheriff and Chief of Police regarding Central Dispatching**
-a letter will be prepared by the Prosecutors Office to notify dispatching employees of possible changes to dispatching services

Beth Seibert—

- **Received an email from Josh Unterbrink, Lima/Allen County Chamber of Commerce, inviting the Commissioners to participate in a Legislative Committee Meeting on November 11th**
-the Commissioners will plan to attend but Commissioner Seibert will confirm if the date is accurate, as it is Veterans Day
- **Recently met with a member of Junior Achievement**
-Beth Seibert will share information of the program to the other Commissioners via email
- **Attended a meeting with Palmer Energy in regards to Allen County's Electric Aggregation program**
-CCAO is looking into pooling Allen, Darke, Hardin, Putnam, Van Wert counties and the Village of Paulding in hopes to achieving a lower aggregation rate
-currently projected a rate of 10.7, but still reviewing rates weekly
-AEP is currently at a rate of 10.5
- **Provided an overview of the Exit Audit Interview with the State Auditor Office and County Auditor yesterday**
-discussion on including the Civic Center as part of the county's audit next year, due to the Commissioners appointing the members to their Board

10:32 a.m.

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1:02 p.m.

Dog Warden Quarterly Update – Julie Shellhammer

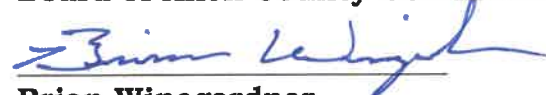
- **Provided an overview of statistics and dog tag sales**

	• Will be hosting a Fall Training at the Dog Warden's Office -John Willamowski Jr. will be attending to discuss Avery's Law -Commissioners are invited to attend • Provided an overview of recent calls -several have been malnourished and injured • Discussion on roof repairs needed for one of the garages -quotes have been received for replacement, however the cost is higher than anticipated -a ticket has been entered for Building and Grounds to repair bad portion • General discussion on staffing • Provided an update on records provided to the City of Lima as requested by Mayor Smith -records were provided on July 31st
1:16 p.m.	RECESS
2:00 p.m.	Parking Discussion—Keith Cheney and Jason Patchet • Review of parking spots layout for the Government Center • General discussion on proposed parking plan -discussion on labeling of the parking spots to designate employee parking and public parking • Discussion on potential revisions to the gated portion of the parking lot -discussion on renumbering the gated portion of the parking to create 10 parking spots rather than 12 • Keith Cheney and Jason Patchet will finalize draft plans and provide to the Commissioners for final review • Discussion on repairs to the alleyway behind the Government Center -City of Lima is willing to contribute to the funding of said project, but would be less than a 50/50 split due to damage of the alley that occurred during excavation/construction of the Government Center -Jason Patchet will begin obtaining quotes for review
3:03 p.m.	ADJOURN

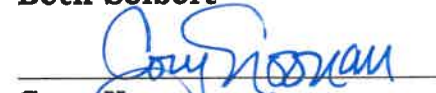
Submitted by:


Brittany N. Woods, Clerk

Approved by: Board of Allen County Commissioners


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