

The Board of County Commissioners, Highland County, Ohio, met this day in Regular Session with Terry Britton, David Daniels and Brad Roades present.

Mr. Britton called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. All documents referenced in the minutes are filed in the Commissioners' office and are available for review upon request.

**NOTE** Nick Beatty, David Bushelman, Christian Dunlap, Randy Sanders, McClain FFA Students, Alex Butler, Anneka Collins, Baylee Willey, Jacob Clary, and Caitlin Forsha were present for the meeting.

**MOTION** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, to approve the regular meeting minutes from the previous meeting. The vote resulted as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; and Mr. Roades, yea.

**MOTION** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, to approve payment of Bill File No. 26-14. The total bill file amount paid was \$333,890.23. The total General Fund paid was \$88,103.77. The vote was as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; and Mr. Roades, yea.

## **RESOLUTIONS**

**Res No 26-77** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners grant authorization for the listed "Then and Now" purchase orders and the County Auditor is authorized to issue warrants for their payment (see attached resolution). The vote was as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; and Mr. Roades, yea.

**Res No 26-78** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners authorize a budget modification within the 2000 Dog and Kennel fund in the amount of \$1,500.00. The vote was as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; and Mr. Roades, yea.

**Res No 26-79** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners request to create the following line item within the 5030 Rocky Fork Lake Fund: Refund. Also requested is an additional appropriation from unappropriated funds within the 5030 Rocky Fork Lake fund in the amount of \$6,500.00. The vote was as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; and Mr. Roades, yea.

**Res No 26-80** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners request a budget modification within the 1000 County General fund Board of Elections Budget in the amount of \$33,461.72. The vote was as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; and Mr. Roades, yea.

**Res No 26-81** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners authorize the reallocation of funds and execution of a grant agreement for the One Million Dollar (\$1,000,000.00) One-Time Strategic Community Investment Funds from the Highland County Engineer Truck Barn Project to the Highland County Courthouse Project. The vote was as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; and Mr. Roades, yea.

## **MEETINGS/APPOINTMENTS**

9:00 a.m. – Nick Beatty – Employee Benefits  
Commissioners met with Nick Beatty. He discussed dental, vision, and life insurance. He wanted the opportunity to review our policies to see if he could save our county money. Commissioner Daniels said that we would reach out within the next few weeks to discuss this further.

## **CONTRACTS**

**#22** Commissioners, County Risk Sharing Authority – 2026 CORSA Participation Agreement  
**MOTION** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, to approve the 2026 CORSA Participation Agreement contract. The vote was as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; and Mr. Roades, yea.

## **AUTHORIZE TO EXECUTE**

*Elavon Credit Card Application – Sheriff's Office*  
Sheriff Sanders said that this would be for the CCW and background checks. **MOTION** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, to approve the credit card application. The vote was as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; and Mr. Roades, yea.

*Change Order 3 – Unger Construction - Rolling Acres Wastewater System Repair/Replacement*  
*Change Order 1 - OWDA RFL Procurement of Grinder Pump Cores Controls & Appurtenances*  
*OWDA Disbursement Request 14 – Mechanical Construction Co. Inc. – RFL WWTTP Improvements*

**MOTION** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, to approve both change orders for Rolling Acres and the Grinder Pump Cores & Controls, as well as the Mechanical Construction Pay App. The vote was as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; and Mr. Roades, yea.

## APPROVALS

*Letter of Default - Promissory Note and Related Documents between Leo Capital Investments, LLC*  
Ms. Julie Bolender was present to explain that this note is to Leo Capital Investments LLC in the events of default from the original contract that was entered into in December of 2023. After two years of no secured investment and no dirt moving, we have given them until May 8<sup>th</sup> to secure bonds and evaluate a re-assessment of the situation. **MOTION** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, to authorize Julie to send this letter to Leo Capital Investments. The vote was as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; and Mr. Roades, yea.

*Total ID Solutions – Special TSP Proposal for Highland County CCW ID System*

**MOTION** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, to approve the Total ID Solutions Proposal for the Sheriff's Office. The vote was as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; and Mr. Roades, yea.

## MEETINGS/APPOINTMENTS

9:15 a.m. – Bid Opening - 2026 Chip Seal

**Miller Mason Paving Company \$554,750.00**

**McClain FFA – Ag Issues Forum – Farming Succession Planning**

McClain FFA presented their skit for their upcoming Ag Issues Competition to the commissioners on Farming Succession Planning.

## DISCUSSION

- **Ohio Department of Commerce - Notice of Legislative Authorities – Objections to Renewal of Retail Liquor Permits – Class C and D**

Commissioner Daniels said that our office would allow public comment until April 29<sup>th</sup>, as we are to respond by May 4<sup>th</sup>.

- **Records Building Floor sealer/paint**

Commissioner Roades presented two quotes one from MCS Coating Systems for \$59,917.00 and one from Precision Painting for \$14,800.00 **MOTION** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, to approve the precision painting quote. The vote was as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; and Mr. Roades, yea.

- **BMV Door Quotes**

Commissioners decided to table the quotes to further review.

- **Acceptance of Resignation – Austin Neville MOTION** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, to accept the resignation of Austin Neville. The vote was as follows: Mr. Britton,

## OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Britton said that the EMA match is based on a settlement basis, and they will be working with Auditor Butler to get this disbursement completed. Mr. Dave Bushelman was present for the AEDs. He said there is a Firehouse Sub Grant that will be coming out in July that we should apply for. Commissioner Britton asked him to go ahead and get costs and pass along a recommendation.

Ms. Julie Bolender announced April 18<sup>th</sup> is the America 250 Ohio Goes to the Movies Event at the Orpheum at 3:00 p.m.

*Recess 9:55 a.m. // Reconvene 10:04 a.m.*

## MEETINGS AND APPOINTMENTS

10:00 a.m. – Brett Geary, Sheriff Sanders - Executive Session – ORC 121.22(G)(4) Preparing for, conducting, or renewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment **MOTION: To enter into executive session per ORC 121.22 (G)(4), Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades. The vote was as**

*follows: Mr. Rodes, yea; Mr. Britton, yea; and Mr. Daniels, yea. Commissioners invited Randy Sanders and Alex Butler in. Entered: 10:05 p.m. Exited: 10:25 a.m.*

10:30 a.m. – Brett Geary - Executive Session – ORC 121.22(G)(1) To consider the dismissal of a public employee **MOTION: To enter into executive session per ORC 121.22 (G)(1), Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Rodes. The vote was as follows: Mr. Rodes, yea; Mr. Britton, yea; and Mr. Daniels, yea. Commissioners invited Amy Bradley in. Entered: 10:27 p.m. Exited: 10:43 a.m.**

*Recess 10:00 a.m. // Reconvene 1:00 p.m.*

#### **MEETINGS AND APPOINTMENTS**

1:00 p.m. – WDC Group – Courthouse Updates

*Chris Weidner*

Commissioners discussed Phase 1 and 2 of the Courthouse Renovation Project.

*Recess 2:00 p.m. // Reconvene 2:07 p.m.*

2:00 p.m. – Work Session – Julie Wallingford

*Julie Wallingford*

Commissioners discussed punch list items with Julie.

*Recess 2:38 p.m. // Reconvene 2:47 p.m.*

2:30 p.m. – Work Session – Records Center Position Resumes

*Amy Bradley*

Commissioners went through resumes and decided who to call in for interviews.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

3/30/2026 – Gov. DeWine Comms – Governor DeWine Celebrates New Madison County Rest Areas

3/30/2026 – Mike Shelton – Cul-de-sac Damage

3/30/2026 – Gov. DeWine Comms – Governor DeWine Celebrates \$20 Million Award for New Middle School in Delphos

3/30/2026 – Gov. DeWine Comms – Governor DeWine Announces 7 Projects Set to Create 1,328

Jobs, more than \$123.4 Million in Investments

3/30/2026 – Gov. DeWine Comms – Governor DeWine: Ohio Students Can Earn Commemorative America 250 Citizenship Seal on High School Diplomas

3/31/2026 – Keith Faber – AOS Advisory: New Federal Accessibility Standard for State and Local Government Websites

3/31/2026 – Gov. DeWine Comms – Ohio Announces 730 New Jobs in Ironton and Westerville

3/31/2026 – James Herman – Constituent Support for ICC RB42

3/31/2026 – Gov. DeWine Comms – Governor DeWine Signs Bills into Law

4/1/2026 – Rory Ryan – Public Records Request – Motion for Truck Barn

4/1/2026 – Ohio Valley Regional Development Commission – New Offers Take Leadership Roles at OVRDC

4/2/2026 – Dave Gingerich – HCP Article about County Engineer Project Funding

4/2/2026 – Jared Warner – Highland County 2025 Community Health Assessment

4/2/2026 – Gov. DeWine Comms – Governor DeWine Recognizes April as Fraud Prevention Month in Ohio

4/2/2026 – John Doe – Public Records Information Request – Truck Barn Project

4/2/2026 – Jenna Griffin Gage – Southern Ohio Hospital Tax Pilot Program Monthly Update

4/3/2026 – Gov. DeWine Comms – Governor’s Appointments for April 3, 2026

4/3/2026 – Rachel Reedy – Statehouse Report: April 3, 2026

4/3/2026 – Mary - Commissioners

4/3/2026 – Lucas Neff – Veteran Services Partnership Opportunity

4/3/2026 – Secretary LaRose Press – Ohio Secretary of State Week in Review

4/3/2026 – Gov. DeWine Comms – Ohio Governor Mike DeWine Week in Review

4/6/2026 – Molly Kennedy – Rumpke’s 2026 Southeast Ohio Recycling Round Up Invite – April 7, 2026

4/6/2026 – Mike Shelton – Cul-de-sac Damage Continues

4/6/2026 – Neiolli – Counties Current: April 6, 2026



**REPORTS**

*Dog Warden Weekly Dog Count, ending 04/04/2026.*

*Dog Warden Weekly Call Log, ending 04/04/2026.*

*Sheriff's Office – Costs of Prisoners Meals – March 2026*

*Sheriff's Office – Credit/Procurement Card Expenditures – March 2026*

*Sheriff's Office – Statement of Expenditures – March 2026*

*Juvenile Disbursement Activity Report – April 2026*

**Meeting Adjourned at 3:35 p.m.**

Clerk

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Highland County, Ohio