

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 9:05 a.m. All documents referenced in the minutes are filed in the Commissioners’ office and are available for review upon request.

NOTE Steve Williams, Gary Cooper, Julie Bolender, David Buselman, Carl Rayburn, Jennifer Schinkal, Randy Sanders, Doug Karnes, Mary Remsing, Gerald Wilkin, Anneka Collins, Caitlin Forsha, and Jacob Clary 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. 26-22. The total bill file amount paid was \$519,898.64. The total General Fund paid was \$39,484.27. The vote was as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; and Mr. Roades, yea.

RESOLUTIONS

Res No 26-118 Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners authorize a “Then and Now” purchase order and the County Auditor is authorized to issue warrants for payment. The vote was as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; and Mr. Roades, yea.

Res No 26-119 Mr. Daniels moved to table this resolution, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners authorize payment of the County’s share of the South Central Ohio Regional Juvenile Detention Center HVAC Remediation Project in the amount of \$197,694.26. The vote was as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; and Mr. Roades, yea.

Res No 26-120 Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners continue to support Ohio Valley Regional Development Commission’s Economic Development District planning partnership investment grant program with the USDOC Economic Development Administration for the annual performance period January 1, 2027, through December 31, 2027. The vote was as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; and Mr. Roades, yea.

Res No 26-121 Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners authorize an additional appropriation from unappropriated funds within the 4220 Airport Capital Improvement fund in the amount of \$2,340.00. The vote was as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; and Mr. Roades, yea.

Res No 26-122 Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners authorize an additional appropriation from unappropriated funds within the 2280 Records Preservation fund in the amount of \$2,000.00. The vote was as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; and Mr. Roades, yea.

Res No 26-123 Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners authorize the County Auditor to establish fund 4210 titled “Runway 23 PAPI-2” and establish the following appropriation lines within the fund: Contracts & Services \$125,313.90 and Professional Services \$68,850.00. The vote was as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; and Mr. Roades, yea.

Res No 26-124 Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners authorize the South Central Regional Juvenile Detention Center to undertake necessary repairs and improvements to its facilities. The vote was as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; and Mr. Roades, yea.

MEETINGS/APPOINTMENTS

9:00 a.m. – Hotel Update – Julie Bolender

Ms. Julie Bolender presented to the Commissioners a second notice of default to Leo Capital Investments LLC. For a total investment of \$1 million dollars. She stated that we had a public partnership to offset cost of operations for a high-class hotel in Hillsboro. As our patients ran out in early 2026, we hired a private attorney to seek back every dollar we have loaned out to this Michigan developer. Mr. Daniels read a prepared statement stating that of the same nature and the Commissioners agreed to sign and send the second notice of default.

9:00 a.m. – Gerald “Buzzard” Wilkin – Revolutionary War Memorial Update

Mr. Wilkin came to give a progress report to the Commissioners on the Revolutionary War Memorial. He said it will be placed on June 10th around 10:30 a.m. He asked for permission to get the street parking spots shut down by the Monument on that day. Commissioner Roades said he would make arrangements for that to happen.

9:00 a.m. – Mary Remsing – CDBG Update and CHORE Van

Ms. Mary Remsing spoke about the CHORE van. It is currently broke down with major repairs that need done costing around \$997.28. The van is 20 years old and not in great shape. Commissioner Britton recommended not repairing the van and selling on GovDeals as is.

Ms. Remsing also came to the Commissioners concerning the Revolving Loan Fund. As the Food Pantry roof project progressed, the steel decking ended up needing replaced which involved a change order in the amount of \$14,822.87. This made the total change orders for this project \$20,880.90 resulting in a shortfall of \$25,166.86. Ms. Remsing requested this amount from the revolving loan fund to help cover the cost for this non-profit group. She expressed that currently the RLF had \$670,726.82. Mr. Britton asked Ms. Bolender if this could be done and she said she would have to run it past the RLF board. Ms. Remsing said that she checked with ODOT and this was not true. Mr. Britton said they would come back to this.

9:15 a.m. – SOCS Update – Gary Cooper

Mr. Gary Cooper and Mr. Steven Williams were present to give an update on SOCS. So far they have connected 94.6 miles and serve 1,230 locations. In the agreement they had with us, they were to connect 46 passings. With the help of our ARPA dollars, they were able to connect 65 homes for a total investment of \$579,000.00.

Ms. Anneka Collins confirmed that Ms. Remsing was correct about the RLF money. **MOTION** Mr. Britton moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, to approve \$25,166.86 of RLF money to the Because He Lives Food Pantry CDBG project. The vote was as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; and Mr. Roades, yea.

9:30 a.m. – Project Life Saver – Highland County Sheriff's Office

Ms. Jen Schinkal and Sheriff Randy Sanders came before the commissioners to present Project Life Saver. This is a new program being launched for anyone who may be a wanderer (Alzheimer's, dementia, traumatic brain injury, autism, etc.) so that they can be located if they happened to go missing. She had an example of the bracelets that the families receive if signed up for the program and talked about the program that the officers went through who are certified to locate and track these devices by frequency if needed.

Recess 10:02 a.m. // Reconvene 10:17 a.m.

CONTRACTS

#41 Highland County Commissioners, Dance Construction LLC – New Courtyard for Highco, INC. REBID - General Conditions of the Contact Construction **MOTION** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, to approve the Dance Construction Contract for the new Highco Courtyard. The vote was as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; and Mr. Roades, yea.

#42 Highland County Commissioners, Highland County Airport Authority, Michael & Shauna Davidson, dba H6 Aviation Service, LLC – H6 Lease Agreement **MOTION** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, to approve the H6 Lease Agreement. The vote was as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; and Mr. Roades, yea.

#43 Highland County Commissioners, Highland County Community Action Organization, Workforce Services Unlimited, Inc. – WSU Contract Extension for PY26 CCMEP – Highland County CCMEP WIOA/TANF Youth Program **MOTION** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, to approve Workforce Services Contract Extension for Highland County Community Action The vote was as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; and Mr. Roades, yea.

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- Notice of Award – Dance Excavation LLC – New Courtyard for Highco, Inc. REBID **MOTION** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, to accept the notice of award for the Highco Courtyard Rebid for Dance Excavation LLC. The vote was as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; and Mr. Roades, yea.

DISCUSSION

Commissioners presented a quote from J's Cleaning Services for the Workforce Development Center. **MOTION** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, to accept the cleaning quote from J's Cleaning Service. The vote was as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; and Mr. Roades, yea.

Commissioner Britton read over an appointment application from the ADAMH Board for Dr. Tracey Reveal to be placed on the board. This would be to replace Ms. Tonya Sturgill.

MOTION Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, to accept the appointment of Dr. Tracey Reveal to the ADAMH board. The vote was as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; and Mr. Roades, yea.

Mr. Dave Bushelman and Ms. Nicole Oberrecht were present to present a quote on AEDs through a corporate buy-down program. They have presented to buy 16 AEDs to be placed throughout the county at a price of \$1,890.00 each. **MOTION** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, to accept the AED quote for Life Pack AEDs in the amount of \$30,388.04. The vote was as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; and Mr. Roades, yea.

Mr. Ethan Reynolds popped in to the meeting to let the Commissioners know that there has been a pause on the data center tax. Also, he said that the final push is going on for capital budgets and encouraged them to get their request in.

MEETINGS/APPOINTMENTS

9:45 a.m. – Executive Session ORC 121.22 (G)(3) Confer with attorney regarding pending or imminent litigation

MOTION: To enter into executive session per ORC 121.22 (G)(3), Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades. The vote was as follows: Mr. Roades, yea; Mr. Britton, yea; and Mr. Daniels, yea. Commissioners invited Alex Stratton in. Entered: 10:26 a.m. Exited: 10:50 a.m.

No action was taken.

Recess 11:01 a.m. // Reconvene 11:10 a.m.

MEETINGS/APPOINTMENTS

11:00 a.m. – Recycling Center On-Site Meeting

Erica Tucker, Curt Detillion, Zach Detillion

Commissioners went over the proposed recycling center and the size they anticipate that being with the fencing company and Erica Tucker.

CORRESPONDENCE

5/26/2026 – Lt. Governor Tressel Comms – Lt. Governor Tressel Continues WorkOhio Job Connector Tour at STEM Education Center in Columbus

5/26/2026 – Gov. DeWine Comms – Governor DeWine Hosts Dr. Oz in Ohio; Celebrates OhioSEE at Dublin City Schools

5/27/2026 – Lt. Gov Tressel Comms – Lt. Governor Tressel Visits Cleveland Healthcare Training Center for Latest Stop on WorkOhio Job Connector Tour

5/27/2026 – Gov. DeWine Comms – Governor DeWine Announces Pause of Data Center Tax Exemption

5/27/2026 – Gov. DeWine Comms – Governor DeWine Signs Bills into Law

5/28/2026 – allForms – D. Mineur – Website Services

5/29/2026 – Ohio Auditor of State’s Office – The General Standard May 2026

5/29/2026 – allForms – T. Bloom – Penn Twp Requirements

5/29/2026 – Gov. DeWine Comms – Ohio Governor Mike DeWine Week in Review

5/29/2026 – Secretary LaRose Press – Ohio Secretary of State Week in Review

5/29/2026 – Statehouse Report

5/29/2026 – Gov. DeWine Comms – Governor DeWine Announces \$26.9 Million in Grants to

Support Continues Housing Growth Across Ohio

5/31/2026 – allForms – G. Edwards – Sewer Bill Link

6/1/2026 – Ohio Valley Regional Development Commission – Nominations Now Open for Regional Excellence Awards

6/1/2026 – allForms – P. Lawrence – Commissioners Job Descriptions

6/1/2026 – Dylan Arnett – Vendor Process

6/1/2026 – CCAO Counties Current

6/1/2026 – Lt. Governor Tressel Comms – Lt. Governor Tressel Highlights Summer Meal Resources

REPORTS

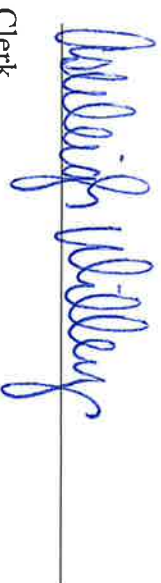
Dog Warden Weekly Call Log, ending 05/31/2026.

Dog Warden Weekly Dog Count, ending 5/31/2026

Juvenile Court – Juvenile Disbursement Activity Report – June 1, 2026

Sheriff's Office – Highland Co Sheriff's Office – Credit/Procurement Card Expenditure Report May 2026
Sheriff's Office – Statement of Expenditures from Sheriff's Allowances – May 2026
Sheriff's Office – Statement of Costs of Prisoners' Meals – May 2026

Meeting Adjourned at 11:44 a.m.



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