



# GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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## AGENDA

For the Board of County Commissioners Meeting of November 25, 2025

Open the meeting at 9:30 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. **Public Comment** - Those wishing to make a comment or ask a question on items appearing on the meeting's agenda, please sign in and wait to be called upon, begin by stating their full name and address, and will have up to three minutes to comment or ask a question, and are kindly asked to refrain from disorderly or disruptive conduct.
2. The Commissioners' Office will report on the items approved November 20, 2025, and November 24, 2025, by the County Administrator, authorized by Resolution #25-004 under the direction and supervision of the County Commissioners that was approved January 7, 2025, pursuant to O.R.C. 305.30.
3. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of September 23, 2025.
4. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board approve and execute Resolution #25-204 itemizing the financials for the meeting of November 25, 2025.
5. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the revised Accounting forms and Payroll Authorization forms for the Department on Aging Building Department, Commissioners, Community and Economic Development, Dog Warden, Emergency Management Agency and Maintenance.
6. The Airport Authority is requesting the Board approve and execute the Easement with the Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company for facilities for the distribution of electric current, including communication facilities, upon, over and across part of the Geauga County Airport property, specifically Parcel #19-706416 and #18-706164.
7. The County Engineer's Office is requesting the Board approve and execute Change Order #1 and Final, decreasing the Contract with Ronyak Paving, Incorporated for the Placement of Crack Seal on Various Roads in Geauga County in the amount of \$1,288.00.
8. The County Engineer's Office is requesting the Board approve and execute Change Order #1, increasing the Contract with Eclipse Company, LLC for the Realignment of Bainbridge Road at Washington Street Traffic Signalization in the amount of \$27,701.31 and the date of completion 132 days through March 11, 2026.

9. The Department of Community and Economic Development is requesting the Board approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute a letter to the Geauga County Public Library Board, giving informational notice of the intent to purchase the building at 12701 Ravenwood Drive, Chardon, Ohio for the amount of \$3,200,000.00 and should the Library Board choose to vacate the premises early there will be no relocation assistance eligibility available.
10. The Department of Community and Economic Development is requesting the Board approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute a voluntary acquisition notice letter to the Geauga County Public Library Board, of the intent to purchase the building at 12701 Ravenwood Drive, Chardon, Ohio for the amount of \$3,200,000.00 and should the Library Board choose not to sell the property there will be no acquisition by eminent domain.
11. The Department of Community and Economic Development is requesting the Board approve and execute the Three-Party Contract between the Geauga County Board of Commissioners, Roland and Amy Foliart and Loze Enterprises, LLC to demolish the house and barn, removal of chimney, debris and concrete block, crush septic tank and level with topsoil and seed and straw the property located at 15180 Munn Road, Newbury under the Ohio Department of Development, Building Demolition and Site Revitalization Program in the amount of \$16,685.00.
12. The Emergency Management Agency (EMA) is requesting the Board approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Agreement between the Emergency Management Agency and the Geauga County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) to provide the following services to LEPC: Administrative Support, Emergency Response Coordinator (if elected by the Geauga LEPC), Secretarial / Treasurer Responsibilities, Information Coordinator (if elected by the LEPC), Compliance, Plan Development and Exercising, Grant Applications, Training and the maintaining of all required chemical filing forms and records for the Year 2025 in the amount of \$10,000.00.
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14. The Department of Job and Family Services is requesting the Board approve and execute Contract Maintenance Form #2, increasing the Contract with ThenDesign Architecture for the Geauga Youth Center Design and Construction Project for revisions to construction documents for requested IT and security changes in the amount of \$2,400.00 for a new total contract amount of \$542,340.00.
15. The Maintenance Department is requesting the Board approve termination of the Professional Services Agreement the CT Consultants, Incorporated / Verdantas Architecture, Incorporated for the Geauga County Courthouse Annex Basement Remodeling project, effective immediately, and further authorize processing of the final invoice and settle all outstanding financial obligations with the firm as specified in the contract's termination clause, not to exceed \$9,556.50, and to transfer the remaining project funds accordingly in the amount of \$22,641.50.

16. The Department of Water Resources is requesting the Board approve and authorize Ralph Spidalieri, authorized representative, to execute the Request for Partial Payment #5 for Shook Construction Company for the McFarland Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements project in the amount of \$2,881,179.36 and execute the Ohio Water Development Authority (OWDA) Contractor's Estimate and the OWDA Fund Payment Request #5 in the amount of \$1,381,179.36.
17. The Department of Water Resources is requesting the Board grant permission to advertise for the positions Wastewater Operator I (#2326) and Wastewater Operator III (#2312) internally for a period of five days, if no qualified candidate is presently employed with Water Resources, then advertise externally until the positions are filled.
18. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board appoint Rebecca Bennett to the Geauga County Board of Development Disabilities for a four-year term, January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2029.
19. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board re-elect Sheriff, Scott Hildenbrand to the Volunteer Peace Officers' Dependents Fund Board for the term ending December 31, 2026, pursuant to O.R.C. 143.02.
20. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board re-elect Auditor, Charles Walder to the Volunteer Peace Officers' Dependents Fund Board for the term ending December 31, 2026, pursuant to O.R.C. 143.02.
21. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board approve and execute the service Contract Agreement with Kash Moving Corporation to provide services related to the relocation of all courthouse employees back to the courthouse and into the new courthouse expansion with the move to be completed within a two-month period, in an amount not to exceed \$25,480.00.
22. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Registration Information for Utilization of Public Right of Way by Provider of Communication Services Acknowledgement form notifying the County that there has been an intercompany assignment and Kinetic ABS OH LLC is the new owner of all Windstream / Kinetic assets located in the public rights-of-way in Geauga County.
23. **Board Discussion –**
24. **Public Comment -** Those wishing to make a comment or ask a question on matters of concern, please raise their hand to be called upon, begin by stating their full name and address, and will have up to three minutes to comment or ask a question, and are kindly asked to refrain from disorderly or disruptive conduct.
25. The Sheriff's Office is requesting the Board move into Executive Session for the purpose of preparing for, conducting or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions concerning compensation or other terms and conditions of employment, in accordance with O.R.C. 121.22 (G)(4).
26. The Department of Water Resources is requesting the Board move into Executive Session for the purpose of preparing for, conducting or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions concerning compensation or other terms and conditions of employment, in accordance with O.R.C. 121.22 (G)(4).
27. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board move into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the compensation of public employees, pursuant to O.R.C. 121.22(G)(1).

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- a) A weekly report filed by the County Dog Warden of all dogs seized, impounded, redeemed or destroyed for the week ending November 12, 2025, as required by O.R.C. 955.12.
- b) The Court of Common Pleas Probate Division, Re-Appointment of John A. Ralph as Chairperson to the Geauga County Sewage Treatment System Appeals Board for a two-year term, January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2027.

MEETINGS

Tue., 11/25 Investment Advisory Committee, 9:00 a.m. Room B303, Chambers, County Office Building

Thu., 11/27 **County Offices will be closed for general business in observance of Thanksgiving Day. Twenty-four-hour operations will continue to operate as normal.**

Fri., 11/28 **County offices under the hiring authority of the Board of Commissioners will be closed for general business. Twenty-four-hour operations will continue to operate as usual.**

Tue., 12/2 The Commissioners will hold session at 9:30 a.m.

Wed., 12/3 – Fri., 12/5 CCAO Winter Conference, Columbus, Ohio

Tue., 12/9 Planning Commission, 7:30 a.m. County Office Building, Room A334

Tue., 12/9 The Commissioners will hold session at 9:30 a.m.

Thu., 12/11 Community Corrections Board meeting, 11:30 a.m., Judge Paschke's Courtroom