



GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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AGENDA

For the Board of County Commissioners Meeting of January 22, 2026

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 January 16, 2026, by the County Administrator, authorized by Resolution #26-003 under the direction and supervision of the County Commissioners that was approved January 6, 2026, pursuant to O.R.C. 305.30.
3. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of October 16, 2025.
4. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board approve and execute Resolution #26-007 itemizing the financials for the meeting of January 22, 2026.
5. The Auditor's Office is requesting the Board accept, execute and file the monthly Statement of County Finances filed by the County Auditor for the month of December 2025, pursuant to O.R.C. 319.35.
6. The Treasurer's Office is requesting the Board accept, execute and file the monthly Statement of County Finances filed by the County Treasurer for the month of December 2025, pursuant to O.R.C. 319.35.
7. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board approve an encumbrance and expenditure to the Geauga County Agricultural Society, pursuant to O.R.C. 1711.15 and 1711.16 for the Year 2026 in the amount of \$798.35 which is the total oil/gas well revenue received by the County through December 31, 2025, from a well located on the Geauga County Fairgrounds property.
8. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board request that the County Auditor distribute the balance in the Domestic Violence Fund to WomenSafe, the local agency designated by the Commissioners to receive such monies. This allocation is to be paid pursuant to Section 3113.34 of the O.R.C. for the 2026 year, in the amount of \$11,986.00.

9. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Request for Partial Payment #28 for Infinity Construction Company, Incorporated for the Geauga County Courthouse Expansion, GMP Phase #1 and Phase #2 partial release of retainage in the amount of \$950,817.12.
10. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the revised Accounting Forms Authorization and Payroll Authorization Forms for the Department on Aging, Building, Commissioners' Office, Community Development, Emergency Management Agency, Maintenance and the Department of Water Resources.
11. The Airport Authority is requesting the Board approve Reimbursement Request #7 for the Taxiway Extension Construction Project, specifically to Construct Parallel Taxiway A including Taxiway Connector A1 and A2 – Construction, Final Phase and Install Taxiway Edge Lights – Construction, Grant #3-39-0054-028-2024 in the amount of \$85,765.41 (FAA Share \$75,958.37 (deducted overpayment from PR#6 of \$1,230.50), ODOT Share \$4,903.52 (includes \$615.25 from PR#6) and Local County match share \$4,288.27).
12. The County Engineer's Office is requesting the Board accept and execute the Ohio Department of Transportation, Office of Technical Services 2025 County Highway System Mileage Certification of 234.696 miles. This includes a slight deduction of 0.061 miles from the 2024 mileage certification due to the realignment of Bainbridge Road.
13. The Department on Aging is requesting the Board approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging SFY 2025-2026 Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act (MIPPA) Medicare Savings Programs, Low-Income Subsidy and Prescription Drug Assistance through the Aging Network, State Health Insurance Program (SHIP) and Aging and Disability Resources Centers Grant Agreement for the period September 1, 2025 through August 31, 2026 in the amount of \$6,235.21.
14. The Department on Aging is requesting the Board approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging Provider Agreement with Geauga County Department on Aging, Purchase of Service Agreement, State Fiscal Year 2026 Alzheimer's Respite Funds for eligible Geauga County Seniors Aged 60 and older for the period July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 in the amount of \$52,179.00.
15. The Building Department is requesting the Board grant permission to advertise for Statement of Qualifications for Master Plan Examiner Services with responses due on Friday, February 20, 2026, at 4:00 p.m. Notice of this request for Statement of Qualifications will be advertised on January 29, 2026, February 5, 2026, and on the county website.
16. The Maintenance Department is requesting the Board rescind the motion taken on October 28, 2025 to accept and approve the design firm rankings in compliance with O.R.C. 153.69 (A) and evaluation of Statement of Interest and Qualifications received for providing professional design and contract administration services for the expansion and renovation of the County's Animal Shelter Kennels including TC Architects, Incorporated, LDA Architects, Incorporated and Verdantas, LLC and further selected TC Architects, Incorporated as the most qualified firm to provide professional design and contract administration services, in accordance with O.R.C. 153.69(B) and authorize commencement of contract negotiations.

17. The Department of Water Resources is requesting the Board approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Certified List of Governing Body and Contact Persons regarding the Facility and Financial Information for the USDA Annual Reporting requirements.
18. **Board Discussion** – Letter to Planning Commission Member
19. **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.
20. The Department of Job and Family Services is requesting the Board move into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the employment of a public employee, pursuant to O.R.C. 121.22 (G)(1).
21. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Letter of Engagement – General Services with McDonald Hopkins, LLC for the Year 2026 in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00, unless prior approval of the Board.
22. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board approve and execute Resolution #26-008 to Ratify an Amendment to Article IV, Section 4.2 to the Code of Regulations of the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency (NOACA).

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- a) The Annual Statement of Unpaid Fees for the calendar year 2024 filed by the Sheriff's Office of an accurate account of all fees, costs, penalties, percentages, allowances and prerequisites that have remained unpaid for more than one year pursuant to ORC 325.31.

MEETINGS

- Thu., 1/22 Geauga Trumbull Solid Waste Management District Board of Directors - Special Meeting, 2:00 p.m., Warren, District Office
- Mon., 1/26 Family First Council, 1:30 p.m. Geauga County Office Building
- Tue., 1/27 Investment Advisory Committee, 9:00 a.m., Geauga County Office Building, Room B303
- Tue., 1/27 The Commissioners will hold session at 9:30 a.m.
- Tue., 2/3 The Commissioners will hold session at 9:30 a.m.
- Tue., 2/10 The Commissioners will hold session at 9:30 a.m.