



GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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AGENDA

For the Board of County Commissioners Meeting of April 21, 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 township or municipality, 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 financials from April 15, 2026, Resolution #26-057 as approved by the County Administrator pursuant to Resolution #26-003, approved January 6, 2026 to authorize the County Administrator to execute, in the case of a lack of quorum of Commissioners and / or if session is cancelled on a regular financial day or on a day when financials need to be approved, the required approvals for county financials on behalf of the Board during the Year 2026, as authorized by O.R.C. 305.30.
3. The Commissioners' Office will report on the items approved April 20, 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.
4. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board approve and execute Resolution #26-058 itemizing the financials for the meeting of April 21, 2026.
5. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Request for Partial Payment #33 for Infinity Construction Company, Incorporated for the Geauga County Courthouse Expansion GMP Phase #1 and #2 partial release of retainage in the amount of \$35,306.18.
6. The Probate /Juvenile Court is requesting the Board approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Amendment Form / Fiscal Accountability Attachment A, Page 2, to amend the FY26 Department of Youth Services RECLAIM Grant to amend the budget allocations based on fiscal year to date expenditures, to ensure necessary funding availability for the remainder of the grant period.
7. The Planning Commission is requesting the Board approve and execute the Final Plat for Maple Ridge Subdivision, Replat of Sublots 6 and 7, creating Sublot 7-R, in Auburn Township.
8. The Building Department is requesting the Board accept, approve and execute the Agreement with F & B Engineering, Incorporated to provide required professional plan review services for the period May 1, 2026, through March 31, 2029, at the rate of \$140.00 per hour for 2026, \$150.00 per hour for 2027, \$160.00 per hour for 2028 and \$170.00 per hour for 2029.

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9. The Dog Warden is requesting the Board approve an increase in the number of positions of Part-time Shelter Attendant (#1607-1) from two (2) to three (3) positions to be effective April 21, 2026.
10. The Dog Warden is requesting the Board approve the revised Organizational Chart to include the additional position of Part-time Shelter Attendant (#1607-1) increasing to three (3) total positions, to be effective April 21, 2026.
11. The Dog Warden is requesting the Board increase the current posting for the position of Part-time Shelter Attendant (#1607-1) from one to two positions. These positions will remain posted until they are filled.
12. The Dog Warden is requesting the Board approve hiring Andrea Ballas to the position of Part-time Shelter Attendant (#1607-1) at the rate of \$15.89 per hour, to be effective April 24, 2026, with a one-year probationary period. This offer of employment is contingent upon the successful completion of the required pre-employment conditions.
13. The Maintenance Department is requesting the Board approve and execute Change Order #1, increasing the Contract with Ohio Paving and Construction Company, Incorporated for the Geauga County Safety Center Parking Lot Repave to replace existing concrete parking bay and sidewalk with extended asphalt parking area and new sidewalk, add geotextile fabric to stabilize subgrade for additional parking spaces on the north end of the Safety Center parking lot in the amount of \$27,356.12, for a new fixed, lump sum price amount of \$875,038.77.
14. The Maintenance Department is requesting the Board approve and execute Change Order #1 increasing the Contract by extending the date of completion with Verdantas Architecture, Incorporated for the Geauga County East Park Office Building Facility Condition Assessment Project by an additional fifty-six (56) days through April 24, 2026.
15. The Maintenance Department is requesting the Board approve and execute Change Order #1, increasing the Professional Services Agreement with Verdantas Architecture, Incorporated for the Geauga County Safety Center Visitation Room Alteration Project for the redesign of the masonry wall foundation due to unknown conduits discovered under the slab in the amount of \$1,933.43 and to extend the date of completion by 212 days through April 30, 2026.
16. The Maintenance Department is requesting the Board award the Bid to Architectural Siding Trim and Roofing, Incorporated (A-Star) for the Geauga County Courthouse Annex Roof Upgrade Project in the amount of \$496,604.60 (\$432,604.60 Base Bid and \$64,000.00 Owner's Contingency) as they represented the lowest and best bid.
17. The Maintenance Department is requesting the Board approve and execute the Agreement with the Geauga County Maple Festival, Incorporated to utilize the southern end of the 100 Short Court Parcel during the Maple Festival, for the period of April 23, 2026 through April 27, 2026, for the location and operation of food vendors, festival vendors operating games of skill and / or rides during the event.
18. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board approve and execute Resolution #26-059 Proclaiming May 3, 2026, through May 9, 2026, as Public Service Recognition Week.
19. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board approve and execute the Agreement with Smooth Rider, LLC to provide a minimum of two hundred (200) 20 oz. healthy fruit smoothies at a cost of \$10.00 per smoothie via the Smooth Rider Smoothie Food Truck on May 7, 2026, during the Geauga County

Employee Health and Wellness EXPO, for a total number of smoothies not to exceed four hundred (400) and a not to exceed amount of \$4,000.00. This will be covered by the CEBCO Wellness Grant.

20. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board approve and execute the Agreement with Ubuntu Wellness LLC to provide Two Chair Massage Stations on May 7, 2026, during the Geauga County Employee Health and Wellness EXPO at a cost of \$120.00 per hour, per massage chair therapist for the total sum not to exceed \$1,200.00. This will be covered by the CEBCO Wellness Grant.
21. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board approve and authorize the County Prosecutor, pursuant to Resolution #25-170 approved on August 28, 2025, to execute and submit on behalf of the County, the required documents to participate in the six (6) Remnant Defendants' Settlement Agreement (RDSA), as part of the ongoing National Prescription Opiate Litigation and the Prosecutor shall continue to have general, ongoing authority under the Resolution to execute any documents on behalf of the Board related to any opioid litigation involving the County.
22. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board amend the motion of April 7, 2026 that read: schedule a Work Session on Thursday, April 23, 2026, at 9:00 a.m., to be held in the County Office Building, Room B303, Chardon, to now read: schedule a Special Meeting at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 23, 2026, to be held in the County Office Building, Room B303 that will include a Work Session with the Building Department.
23. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board discuss the county property of approximately 19.9199 acres situated on Autumn Ridge Drive (Permanent Parcel #21-703265) located in Munson Township and further approve and execute the Conversation Easement Agreement.
24. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board approve the placement of "No Trespassing" signs, pursuant to O.R.C. 4519.48 and the Conservation Easement on Permanent Parcel #21-703265, approximately 19.9199 acres situated on Autumn Ridge Drive, located in Munson Township.
25. **Board Discussion –**
26. **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 township or municipality, and will have up to three minutes to comment or ask a question, and are kindly asked to refrain from disorderly or disruptive conduct.
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) Geauga County Airport Authority 2025 Annual Report

MEETINGS

Mon., 4/20 Family First Council, 1:30 p.m. County Office Building, Suite B168

Tue., 4/21 Geauga Trumbull Solid Waste Management District, Directors Meeting, 3:00 p.m. County Office Building, Room B168

Wed., 4/22 Board of Revision, 9:00 a.m. Auditor's Appraisal Conference Room

Geauga County Commissioners' Agenda

Meeting of 4.21.2026

- Thu., 4/23 The Commissioners will hold a Special Session at 9:00 a.m. that will include a Work Session with the Building Department
- Tue., 4/28 The Commissioners will hold session at 9:30 a.m.
- Tue., 5/5 The Commissioners will hold session at 9:30 a.m.
- Tue., 5/5 The Commissioners will hold 2027 Tax Budget Hearings 12:00 – 4:30 p.m., Room B303
- Wed., 5/6 Board of Revision, 12:00 p.m. Auditor's Appraisal Conference Room
- Tue., 5/12 Planning Commission, 7:30 a.m. County Office Building, Room A334, Chardon
- Tue., 5/12 The Commissioners will hold session at 9:30 a.m.
- Tue., 5/12 The Commissioners will hold 2027 Tax Budget Hearings 12:00 – 4:30 p.m., Room B303
- Mon., 5/18 Family First Council, 1:30 p.m. County Office Building
- Tue., 5/19 The Commissioners will hold session at 9:30 a.m.
- Tue., 5/19 The Commissioners will hold 2027 Tax Budget Hearings 12:00 – 4:30 p.m., Room B303
- Mon., 5/25 **The County Offices will be closed in honor of Memorial Day. Twenty-four Hour Operations will continue to operate as usual.**
- Thu. 5/28 The Commissioners will hold session at 9:30 a.m.
- Thu., 5/28 The Commissioners will hold 2027 Tax Budget Hearings 12:00 – 4:30 p.m., Room B303