



GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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AGENDA

For the Board of County Commissioners Meeting of May 28, 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 the items approved May 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.
3. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board approve and execute Resolution #26-076 itemizing the financials for the meeting of May 28, 2026.
4. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board approve and execute Resolutions recognizing the Four Schools from Geauga County that had Teams who participated in the 2026 Northeast Ohio High School Area II Envirothon including:

Resolution #26-077 Recognizing the Berkshire High School Team A

Resolution #26-078 Recognizing the Cardinal High School Team Dirt

Resolution #26-079 Recognizing the Cardinal High School Tree Team

Resolution #26-080 Recognizing the Cardinal High School Team Fungis

Resolution #26-081 Recognizing the Chardon High School Team Black

Resolution #26-082 Recognizing the Chardon High School Team Red

Resolution #26-083 Recognizing the West Geauga High School Team Eco Wolves who placed first overall and first at the forestry station and wildlife station and advanced to the Ohio Envirothon

Resolution #26-084 Recognizing the West Geauga High School Team Green Claws who placed second overall and first at the aquatics station and advanced to the Ohio Envirothon

5. The Geauga County Soil and Water Conservation District will present information about the event and introduce any students or advisors in attendance from the Geauga County School Teams that participated in the 2026 Northeast Ohio High School Area II Envirothon.
6. The Airport Authority is requesting the Board approve and execute Resolution #26-085 Approving the Grant Contract under Fiscal Year 2026 Ohio Airport Improvement Program Matching Grant for General Aviation Airports between the Geauga County Airport Authority, Geauga County Board of Commissioners, and the Ohio Department of Transportation, Office of Aviation, to Construct T-Hangar 59'x 218' ODOT Project No. B26-61 at the Geauga County Airport and Authorizing the President of the Geauga County Board of Commissioners to execute the Grant Contract on the Board's behalf. This motion was approved on May 12, 2026, pending Prosecutor approval of the Grant Contract.

7. The Airport Authority is requesting the Board approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Ohio Department of Transportation, Office of Aviation, Grant Contract under FY2026 Ohio Airport Improvement Program Matching Grant for General Aviation Airports between the Geauga County Airport Authority and the Geauga County Commissioners for ODOT Project No. B26-61, Construct T-Hangar – Construction at the Geauga County Airport.
8. The County Engineer's Office is requesting the Board award the Bid to The Aero-Mark Company, LLC for the Application of Pavement Markings to Various Roads, Year 2026 in the amount of \$277,777.00 as they represented the lowest and best bid. The Bid Bond submitted shall be held to serve as the Performance Bond for this project.
9. The County Engineer's Office is requesting the Board award the Bid to Ronyak Paving, Incorporated for the Asphalt Resurfacing of Various Roads, including Thwing Road (CH-0027, Sections A-B) and Auburn Road (CH-0004, Section Q) in Chardon and Munson Townships in the amount of \$1,290,480.00, as they represented the lowest and best bid. The Bid Bond submitted shall be held to serve as the Performance Bond for this project.
10. 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, Pg. 2, Amendment #2 to the FY26 Department of Youth Services RECLAIM Grant to amend budget allocations based on fiscal year to date expenditures, to ensure necessary funding availability for the remainder of the grant period, through June 30, 2026.
11. The Probate/Juvenile Court is requesting the Board approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Ohio Department of Youth Services Subsidy Grant, Juvenile Court Funding Application Update for FY2027 effective July 1, 2026, in the amount of \$275,851.41.
12. The Building Department is requesting the Board grant permission to advertise to hold two (2) Public Hearings pertaining to updating the Permit Fee Schedule. Public Hearing #1 will be held on Tuesday, June 16, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. and Public Hearing #2 will be held on Tuesday, June 23, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. Notice of these Public Hearings will be advertised on June 4, 2026, June 11, 2026, and on the county website.
13. The Department of Community and Economic Development is requesting the Board approve and execute the Subordination of Mortgage between the Geauga County Board of Commissioners and Farm Credit Mid-America, FLCA in regard to the Revolving Loan Fund Loan for Great Lakes Growers Realty Holdings, LLC from June 2018.
14. The Dog Warden is requesting the Board approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Waiver of Notice of Hearing on Account, and further authorize Matt Granito, Dog Warden to execute the Waiver of Notice of Hearing on Account and other necessary documents related to a bequest from the Estate of Beverle May Krueger to the Geauga County Dog Shelter to help the dogs at the Dog Shelter and to deposit all funds, if any, into the Dog and Kennel Fund.
15. The Department of Job and Family Services is requesting the Board approve and execute Resolution #26-086 Recognizing June 2026 as Elder Abuse Awareness Month.
16. The Maintenance Department is requesting the Board approve and execute Change Order #2, increasing the Contract with V. L. Chapman Electric, Incorporated for the West Geauga Senior Center / MSI Wastewater Treatment Plant dedicated Generator Installation by extending the date of completion thirty-five (35) days through July 17, 2026.

17. The Maintenance Department is requesting the Board approve and execute Change Order #3, increasing the Contract with Ohio Paving and Construction Company, Incorporated for the Geauga County Safety Center Parking Lot Repave for the removal and replacement of a deteriorated trench drain in the amount of \$15,074.03, for a new, not to exceed amount of \$890,677.52.
18. The Maintenance Department is requesting the Board approve and execute the Construction Agreement with 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). The Bid Bond submitted shall be held to serve as the Performance Bond for this project.
19. The Maintenance Department is requesting the Board approve and execute the Notice to Proceed for Architectural Siding, Trim and Roofing, Incorporated (A-Star) for the Geauga County Courthouse Annex Roof Upgrade project.
20. The Maintenance Department is requesting the Board approve and execute the Notice of Commencement of Public Improvement, pursuant to O.R.C. 1311.252 for Architectural Siding, Trim and Roofing, Incorporated (A-Star) for the Geauga County Courthouse Annex Roof Upgrade project.
21. The Maintenance Department is requesting the Board award the Bid to Architectural Siding Trim and Roofing, Incorporated for the Geauga County Courthouse Annex Masonry Restoration and Roof Replacement in the amount of \$257,047.56 (\$235,845.56 Base Bid and \$21,202.00 Owner's Contingency) as they represented the lowest and best bid.
22. The Department of Water Resources is requesting the Board approve and execute the Contract Agreement with Grade Line, Incorporated for the Merritt Road Sanitary Sewer Extension Project, in the amount of \$130,960.00. The Bid Bond submitted shall be held to serve as the Performance Bond for this project.
23. The Department of Water Resources is requesting the Board waive the 200- hour maximum vacation accrual for Ray Farinacci, Supervisor, Maintenance and Operations, for the period May 10, 2026 (Payroll #11) through July 4, 2026 (Payroll #14).
24. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Certificate of Substantial Completion for the Geauga County Courthouse Expansion, GMP Phase #2, effective January 31, 2026.
25. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board approve and execute Resolution #26-087 Approving a Compensation Agreement relating to the Proposed TIF Ordinance for the Heritage Pointe Development Project in the Village of Middlefield, in accordance with R.C. 5709.40 (E)(1), and further execute the Compensation Agreement.
26. **Board Discussion** – Water Resources Department Overview, Discussion on Homestead Exemption and Owner Occupancy relating to House Bill 96
27. **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.

28. 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 May 13, 2026, as required by O.R.C. 955.12.

MEETINGS

- Thu., 5/28 The Commissioners will hold 2027 Tax Budget Hearings 12:30 – 4:30 p.m., Room B303
- Tue., 6/2 The Commissioners will hold session at 9:30 a.m. This will include a Public Hearing at 10:00 a.m. for the Proposed Road Name Change of a portion of Osmond Road.
- Wed., 6/3 Board of Revision, 9:00 a.m. Auditor's Appraisal Conference Room
- Thu., 6/4 The Commissioners will hold a Special Meeting at 9:30 a.m. to hold a Work Session
- Tue., 6/9 Planning Commission, 7:30 a.m. County Office Building, Room A334, Chardon
- Tue., 6/9 Board of Revision, 9:00 a.m. Auditor's Appraisal Conference Room
- Tue., 6/9 The Commissioners will hold session at 9:30 a.m.
- Mon., 6/15 Family First Council, 1:30 p.m. Room B168, First Floor, County Office Building
- Tue., 6/16 The Commissioners will hold session at 9:30 a.m.
- Fri., 6/19 **County offices will be closed for general business due to the Juneteenth holiday. Twenty-four-hour operations will continue to operate as usual.**
- Tue., 6/23 The Commissioners will hold session at 9:30 a.m.
- Tue., 6/23 Geauga Trumbull Solid Waste District Board of Directors meeting, 2:00 p.m. Warren, District Office