Commissioners' Journal
December 23, 2025

The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on December 23, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' Offices located at 12611 Ravenwood Drive, Room B303, Chardon, Ohio.

It is declared and determined that all formal actions of the Board of County Commissioners concerning and relating to the adoption of all resolutions that were adopted in this meeting, and that all deliberations of the Board of County Commissioners that resulted in such formal action, were open to the public and were in compliance with all legal requirements, including section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

The President of the Board, James W. Dvorak, opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. by leading the Board and audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Dvorak read the following prayer:

"May our prayers this Christmas call forth that serenity of heart and confidence in the future that are the best of all possible gifts. May the song of our people be one of thanks for God's blessings on America and of petition for His continued blessings upon us, especially on those who face this Christmas in want or loneliness."

- *President Ronald Reagan, December 1986*

<u>FINANCIALS</u>
County Administrator Amy Bevan reported on financials approved on December 18, 2025 under Resolution #25-205 that included Appropriation transfers from Probate Court General Fund into their OPERS account and the Clerk of Courts in the Certificate of Title Admin fund salaries and OPERS accounts to get through final payments; and Appropriation transfers from the Building Department to move money into their contract services account for some needed encumbrance increases.

The County Administrator approved the financials on December 5, 2025, pursuant to Resolution #25-004 approved January 7, 2025 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 2025, as authorized by O.R.C. 305.30.

<u>COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE - COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT</u>
County Administrator Amy Bevan reported on the items approved, as 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.

Ms. Bevan explained that the County Administrator approved the following items on December 15, 2025, and December 18, 2025:

December 15, 2025:
Department of Water Resources:
Accepted the resignation of Joseph Clark, Equipment Operator (#2353), to be effective January 2, 2026.

Liquor License:
Concurred with the Hambden Township Trustees in not requesting a hearing on the Liquor License being requested by State Route 608 LLC located at 9165 Old State Road, Parcel #15-102577, Hambden, Ohio (OCT NEW 10010290-1).

Concurred with the Newbury Township Trustees in not requesting a hearing on the Liquor License being requested by ARELLANO II LLC located at 11110 Kinsman Road, Unit 8, Newbury, Ohio (OCT NEW 10008941-1).

December 18, 2025:
Department on Aging:
Approved an unpaid medical leave of absence for Mindy Hudec, Information and Referral Assistant, during the period December 3, 2025 through December 23, 2025, for up to one-hundred-twenty (120) hours for time not covered by accrued sick and vacation leave.

Department of Water Resources:
Approved the promotion of Robert Carter to the position of McFarland Wastewater Treatment Plant Supervisor (#2301) to be effective January 4, 2026, at the rate of $36.70 per hour (WR8, Step 2) with a 180-day probationary period.

Liquor License:
Concurred with the Chester Township Trustees in not requesting a hearing on the Liquor License being requested by Compadres Grill VIII, Incorporated located at 8389 Mayfield Road, Suite A8-A13, Chesterland, Ohio (OCT TRFO 10001795-1).

Concurred with the Troy Township Trustees in not requesting a hearing on the Liquor License being requested by Jacks Tee and Tap, LLC located at 13768 Main Market Road, Troy, Ohio (OCT TRFO 10009958-1).

Per action approved on December 16, 2025:
Maintenance:
Approved and executed the service Contract Agreement with G A Business Purchaser LLC d.b.a. Guardian Alarm Company for a Starlink Installation and Programming to a Silent Knight fire panel and cellular fire alarm monitoring at the Geauga County Courthouse with equipment acquisition and installation to be completed by January 9, 2026, and monitoring service shall be fully functional on or before that date, in an amount not to exceed $3,389.00 for equipment and installation and $105.00 per month for fire alarm monitoring.

<u>MEETING MINUTES</u>
Motion: by Commissioner Brakey, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of September 30, 2025.

Roll Call Vote:	*Commissioner Spidalieri*	*Aye*
	Commissioner Brakey	*Aye*
	Commissioner Dvorak	*Aye*

Motion: by Commissioner Brakey, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of October 7, 2025.

Roll Call Vote:	*Commissioner Spidalieri*	*Aye*
	Commissioner Brakey	*Aye*
	Commissioner Dvorak	*Aye*

<u>APPROVE FINANCIALS</u>
Budget and Finance Manager Adrian Gorton explained the financials for today as including Supplemental Appropriations from the Commissioners' Miscellaneous Capital Transfers Out account in preparation for a cash transfer to the Building Improvements Fund; Various appropriations transfers and supplemental appropriations and de-appropriations to adjust accounts and funds to balance for final invoices and payroll to year end including the Common Pleas Court, JFS, Law Library and Sheriff; Cash transfer from the General Fund to the Building Improvements Fund to provide partial funding of planned projects for 2026; a payment for the Commissioners' Office to CCAO/CEAO for 2026 membership dues in the amount of $11,949.00; a payment for the Sheriff's Office to Hall Public Safety for the conversion of a Social Security vehicle to a patrol car and the upfitment of two new K-9 patrol units in the amount of $40,075.93; and Revenue de-certifications for Job and Family Services in the Workforce Development Fund for money that will not be received in 2025.

Motion: by Commissioner Brakey, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute Resolution #25-219 itemizing the financials for the meeting of December 23, 2025.

Roll Call Vote:	*Commissioner Spidalieri*	*Aye*
	Commissioner Brakey	*Aye*
	Commissioner Dvorak	*Aye*

<u>AIRPORT AUTHORITY – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE AIRPORT AUTHORITY BOARD TO EXECUTE AND SUBMIT APPLICATION – OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – FY2026 OHIO AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM – SUPPLEMENT GRANT PROGRAM – PROPOSED HANGAR 2 DOOR REPLACEMENT</u>

Airport Manager Ric Blamer asked the Board to approve a resolution authorizing the President of the Airport Authority Board to execute and submit an application to the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) for proposed hangar 2 door replacement. This project has an estimated cost of $87,000.00, this request is for $78,300.00 from ODOT.

Commissioner Brakey asked if they had submitted a copy of the draft application to the Commissioners' Office in their request for action. Mr. Blamer noted that the Commissioners' approval is part of the application, and he typically does not provide the application to the Commissioners.

Ms. Brakey asked who would be paying the local share of the grant. Airport Board President Chip Hess explained that it lists the Commissioners as paying the local share, but they hope to have funds left from the $800,000.00 the Board provided to cover the local share of the grants. Mr. Hess noted that ODOT does not cover certain costs, like demolition, adding that removing the existing roof would be considered demo and that is not covered. They hope to have the funds available to cover the costs.

Ms. Brakey asked what they plan to do to generate revenue in 2026. Mr. Hess stated that they raised hangar rent ten percent and they were looking to raise fuel prices. Mr. Hess added that the new hangar would be completed in the spring and they would be receiving rent from the new tenants. Ms. Brakey asked how long the waitlist currently was, to which Mr. Blamer noted that as of yesterday, they had 46 people on the list. Ms. Brakey opined that they should further increase their rent, as it is a matter of supply and demand. If people want the space, they will pay for it. It was noted that some on the list have left already stating that the rent was too high.

Ms. Brakey stated that she was not comfortable approving something they have not seen the application for, and it appears that the application is due before the end of the year. Mr. Blamer stated that this grant just came up in the last thirty days, it was last minute, and is a new grant program that was just announced from ODOT. It was expressed that it appears we are always rushing around up against a deadline. A meeting was just held two weeks ago when they found out about the grant program and what they needed to do which left little time to get everything together to apply, and with the three projects, they are just trying to save the county money.

Commissioner Spidalieri added that he understands the concerns, but if you look at the overall cost of the projects, $87,000.00 for a door, and $65,000.00 each for a roof and there's two roofs, and the local portion is $8,700.00 and $6,500.00 on a roof; that's an incredible deal. Mr. Spidalieri briefly went over the process that he feels is followed, that includes review by legal. Mr. Spidalieri feels that they should help the airport and save the taxpayers money, and if there are more programs that are available that they can take advantage of to make improvements, we should, and it shows that they are doing a great job, noting that in years past, we were always at the bottom of list to receive funding. Mr. Spidalieri stated that in fourteen years he has never seen the back and forth with the airport as we are seeing now, and while he is not questioning the questions being asked, maybe we need to look at the overall process including with review by legal. Mr. Spidalieri noted that Mr. Blamer is part-time and the rest are volunteers that are doing this, and unless we have someone in house full-time doing this, they are doing their best, the best they can. Ms. Brakey responded, "Are you saying we should dissolve the airport board and then take it over?" Mr. Spidalieri reacted and stated that he would never do that, if we feel it is broken, we need to make it better, does that mean hiring someone else, maybe a liaison between the boards, something that provides additional assistance between them.

Ms. Brakey responded that she feels there are two things going on, one is a process issue. If you are asking her to approve an application, the application should be submitted for her to review and be able to approve. She emphasized that she is not picking on the airport and would require that from everyone. The other issue is a policy one, that her perspective, the people using the airport should pay for the airport. Mr. Spidalieri disagreed with her on that. Ms. Brakey stated that the issue today is the application, understanding that timing is an issue, and asked if they felt they could provide a copy of the application to the Board today. Mr. Blamer said that the Board's approval is part of the application, to which Ms. Brakey added that she understands that *element would be missing.*

Mr. Dvorak asked if the application could be emailed over today. Mr. Blamer stated that he would see if he could, as he had a full schedule. It was noted that this was just the application, that if the projects are approved the airport would need to come back before the Board for approval of the grant agreements, that they felt they would have time to review with legal. Ms. Brakey added that just to be clear, the commissioners could be on the hook for ineligible costs of around $52,000.00 according to the grant.

Motion: *by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and execute Resolution #25-220 Authorizing the President of the Geauga County Airport Authority Board to execute and submit the Application to the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) for FY2026 Ohio Airport Improvement Program for the Supplemental Grant Program, for proposed Hangar 2 Door Replacement Project with a project estimate of $87,000.00 ($78,300.00 ODOT, $8,700.00 Local Match).*

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Date: *December 23, 2025*
Resolution: *#25-220*

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE GEAUGA COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY BOARD TO EXECUTE AND SUBMIT THE APPLICATION TO OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (ODOT) FOR FY2026 OHIO AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE SUPPLEMENTAL GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Geauga County Airport Authority ("Airport Authority") and the Geauga County Board of Commissioners ("Board of Commissioners") (hereinafter collectively "Sponsors"), desire to make application to the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) for the Ohio Airport Improvement Program Supplemental Grant for the Airport Authority's proposed <u>Hangar 2 Door Replacement</u> Project ("Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners desire to authorize the President of the Airport Authority to execute and submit a grant Application to the Ohio Department of Transportation Aviation Division, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners authorizes the President of the Airport Authority to execute and submit a Grant Application to ODOT for the available State funding for the Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution becomes part of the permanent record of the Board of Commissioners of Geauga County, Ohio.

Roll Call Vote:	*Commissioner Spidalieri*	*Aye*
	Commissioner Brakey	*No*
	Commissioner Dvorak	*Aye*

<u>AIRPORT AUTHORITY - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE AIRPORT AUTHORITY BOARD TO EXECUTE AND SUBMIT APPLICATION – OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – FY2026 OHIO AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM – SUPPLEMENT GRANT PROGRAM – PROPOSED HANGAR 4 ROOF REPLACEMENT</u>

Motion: *by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and execute Resolution #25-221 Authorizing the President of the Geauga County Airport Authority Board to execute and submit the Application to the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) for FY2026 Ohio Airport Improvement Program for the Supplemental Grant Program, for proposed Hangar 4 Roof Replacement Project with a project estimate of $65,000.00 ($58,500.00 ODOT, $6,500.00 Local Match).*

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Date: *December 23, 2025*
Resolution: *#25-221*

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE GEAUGA COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY BOARD TO EXECUTE AND SUBMIT THE APPLICATION TO OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FY2026 OHIO AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE SUPPLEMENTAL GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Geauga County Airport Authority ("Airport Authority") and the Geauga County Board of Commissioners ("Board of Commissioners") (hereinafter collectively "Sponsors"), desire to make application to the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) for the Ohio Airport Improvement Program Supplemental Grant for the Airport Authority's proposed <u>Hangar 4 Roof Replacement</u> Project ("Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners desire to authorize the President of the Airport Authority to execute and submit a grant Application to the Ohio Department of Transportation Aviation Division, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners authorizes the President of the Airport Authority to execute and submit a Grant Application to ODOT for the available State funding for the Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution becomes part of the permanent record of the Board of Commissioners of Geauga County, Ohio.

Roll Call Vote:	*Commissioner Spidalieri*	*Aye*
	Commissioner Brakey	*No*
	Commissioner Dvorak	*Aye*

<u>AIRPORT AUTHORITY - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE AIRPORT AUTHORITY BOARD TO EXECUTE AND SUBMIT APPLICATION – OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – FY2026 OHIO AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM – SUPPLEMENT GRANT PROGRAM – PROPOSED HANGAR 5 ROOF REPLACEMENT</u>

Motion: *by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and execute Resolution #25-222 Authorizing the President of the Geauga County Airport Authority Board to execute and submit the Application to the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) for FY2026 Ohio Airport Improvement Program for the Supplemental Grant Program, for proposed Hangar 5 Roof Replacement Project with a project estimate of $65,000.00 ($58,500.00 ODOT, $6,500.00 Local Match).*

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Date: *December 23, 2025*
Resolution: *#25-222*

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE GEAUGA COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY BOARD TO EXECUTE AND SUBMIT THE APPLICATION TO OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (ODOT) FY2026 OHIO AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE SUPPLEMENTAL GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Geauga County Airport Authority ("Airport Authority") and the Geauga County Board of Commissioners ("Board of Commissioners") (hereinafter collectively "Sponsors"), desire to make application to the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) for the Ohio Airport Improvement Program Supplemental Grant for the Airport Authority's proposed <u>Hangar 5 Roof Replacement</u> Project ("Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners desire to authorize the President of the Airport Authority to execute and submit a grant Application to the Ohio Department of Transportation Aviation Division, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners authorizes the President of the Airport Authority to execute and submit a Grant Application to ODOT for the available State funding for the Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution becomes part of the permanent record of the Board of Commissioners of Geauga County, Ohio.

Roll Call Vote:	*Commissioner Spidalieri*	*Aye*
	Commissioner Brakey	*No*
	Commissioner Dvorak	*Aye*

<u>DEPARTMENT ON AGING – WAIVE IRREGULARITY – BID GUARANTY BOND – SCHRAFF THOMAS LAW LLC – LEGAL SERVICES FOR OLDER ADULTS PROGRAM – ACCEPT BID GUARANTY PROVIDED</u>
Director Jessica Boalt explained that this item is in regard to the bid for legal services for older adults. It was advertised in November and opened in December with only one response from Schraff Thomas Law, LLC. Ms. Boalt explained the bid that was received and while the contract period was for five years, the bid bond submitted was not for the full five year contract period as requested. We are asking the Board to waive the irregularity in the bid guarantee. Ms. Boalt noted that they do receive funding from the Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging which is how they can provide the reduced pricing, adding that they do a great job. It was noted that this was discussed with the Prosecutor's Office and that this is something that the Board is legally able to do. In response to a question about the program, Ms. Boalt stated that the program is locally levy funded, that they provide about three hours per individual for assistance with elder care services, like wills, transfer on deaths, domestic guardianship, kinship issues and landlord tenant issues.

Motion: *by Commissioner Brakey, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to waive the irregularity in the amount of the bid guaranty bond provided by Schraff Thomas Law LLC for the Legal Services for Older Adults Program and accept the bid guaranty provided.*

Roll Call Vote:	*Commissioner Spidalieri*	*Aye*
	Commissioner Brakey	*Aye*
	Commissioner Dvorak	*Aye*

<u>DEPARTMENT ON AGING – AWARD BID – SCHRAFF THOMAS LAW LLC - LEGAL SERVICES FOR OLDER ADULTS PROGRAM</u>
Ms. Boalt asked the Board to award the bid to Schraff Thomas Law, LLC for the legal services for older adults' program.

Motion: *by Commissioner Brakey, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to award the Bid to Schraff Thomas Law LLC for the Legal Services for Older Adults Program for 3,990 hours for the period January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2030, not to exceed a total of $428,007.30.*

Roll Call Vote:	*Commissioner Spidalieri*	*Aye*
	Commissioner Brakey	*Aye*
	Commissioner Dvorak	*Aye*

<u>DEPARTMENT ON AGING – WESTERN RESERVE AREA AGENCY ON AGING CONTRACT – PURCHASE OF SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR OLDER AMERICANS ACT / SENIOR COMMUNITY SERVICES FUNDS</u>
Ms. Boalt asked the Board to approve the purchase of service agreement with the Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging for them to receive funds under the older Americans Act / Senior Community Services Funds. Ms. Boalt noted that these funds are used for medical transportation, adult day service transportation vouchers, evidence-based health promotion classes for matter-of-balance, and for their diabetes classes. Ms. Boalt explained that she had been working with Ms. LaChapelle and there was some reluctancy from Western Reserve to change two areas within the agreement, so it was noted with the approval of the Prosecutor's Office. Ms. Boalt briefly explained the programs that are being funded by the grant and locally funded by the levy, noting the changes since she came to the county with the programs and how they are funded, and by expanding some of those services they are now eligible for federal

funding.

Motion: by Commissioner Brakey, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging Contract with Geauga County Department on Aging, Purchase of Service Agreement for Older Americans Act / Senior Community Services Funds for Geauga County Seniors, Age 60 and older for the period January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026 in the amount of $568,000.00.

Roll Call Vote:	*Commissioner Spidalieri*	*Aye*
	Commissioner Brakey	*Aye*
	Commissioner Dvorak	*Aye*

MAXIMUS – COST ALLOCATION PROGRAM
Mr. Gorton explained that Tate Anderson, Senior Consultant with Maximus Consulting, was here to talk about cost allocation. Mr. Gorton explained that since he has been with the county, they have had cost allocation, and that it is a requirement according to federal guidelines in order to receive federal grants. Mr. Anderson explained that Maximus has been providing services to counties for the past 50 years, that is part of the financial services division, and that since the inception of that division, they have done cost allocation plans. Going back all the way to the mid-1970s, it was recognized that counties provide a lot of support to already federally funded programs and enterprise funds and are often supported by the General Fund, so they looked at how the county could get reimbursed, and that is where the cost allocation plan came into play. Mr. Anderson explained that they look at the central services departments, the counties insurance plans, budget preparation approval, the auditor's office, how they process payroll, the accounting system, and while there is a set number that can be charged, we go through the financials and put a number on the services that are provided.

Mr. Gorton added that every year he provides four different reports to Maximus, and then they take those numbers and plug them into a formula and then the cost allocation is created. The allocation is based on factors like what the county has spent, how it's organized, employee headcounts, total expenditures for services that are provided, operational support of the employees and budgets. All these reports are important in how they derive the cost allocation plan.

Ms. Brakey asked how much the county pays for this service each year. It was noted that it was $11,000.00 for years and recently increased to $13,000.00.

There was discussion about Maximus and what they do, noting that they are a global company. They handle a lot of Health and Human Services, but that the financial services division is big throughout the United States. They provide services to 78 counties in Ohio; a lot of the smaller counties attempt to do it themselves. Mr. Anderson added that it is more than just reimbursements for Commissioners, mentioning Title IV-D Contracts as an example. There are about 40 different contracts that are used between courts and child support, and they get contacted for information that goes into those contracts.

Mr. Gorton added that Maximus is the recommended consultant from CCAO for doing cost allocation. Mr. Anderson stated that he has been with Maximus for 17 years, and is always happy to come here and talk face to face about questions or concerns. Mr. Gorton noted that we have gone out in the past for bid, but Maximus was the best choice and who was chosen at that time.

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2026
Clerk Christine Blair asked the Board to review and approve the meeting schedule for 2026. The schedule includes meetings being moved to Thursdays around holidays and the Great Geauga County Fair, this is typically due to timing for the processing of financials. She feels that having the schedule in place is a good planning tool for departments and the public.

Motion: by Commissioner Brakey, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve the Meeting Schedule for 2026.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Spidalieri Aye
Commissioner Brakey Aye
Commissioner Dvorak Aye

<u>BOARD DISCUSSION – BOARD APPOINTMENTS – FAIR HOUSING, REVOLVING LOAN AND LOCAL REVOLVING LOAN FUND AND PLANNING COMMISSION</u>

Ms. Blair explained that applications had been received for board appointments for fair housing, revolving loan and local revolving loan, and planning commission. Those applications were sent to the Board for review, and she wanted to circle back to see if the Board was ready to move forward on appointments. The Board discussed the applications that had been received and mentioned different organizations that applicants were a part of and moved forward with the following appointments.

Motion: by Commissioner Brakey, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to appoint Robert Rogish Jr., Lee Imhof and Matthew Mesok to the Planning Commission for a three-year term, effective January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2028.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Spidalieri Aye
Commissioner Brakey Aye
Commissioner Dvorak Aye

Motion: by Commissioner Brakey, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to appoint Victor Como, Caroline Mansfield, Jeffrey Vaji, and James Heslop, II to the Revolving Loan Fund and Local Revolving Loan Fund Committees for a two-year term, effective January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2027.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Spidalieri Aye
Commissioner Brakey Aye
Commissioner Dvorak Aye

Motion: by Commissioner Brakey, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to appoint Hollie Rondini, Laurel DeLara, Dawn Farrell, and Sara Clemson to the Fair Housing Commission for a two-year term, effective January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2027.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Spidalieri Aye
Commissioner Brakey Aye
Commissioner Dvorak Aye

<u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u>

Gail Roussey, League of Women Voters, wanted to let the Board know that she appreciates the new signage for the building and that she feels others do as well.

Ms. Brakey mentioned the tax relief provision and that the action the Board took last week to suppress the JFS levy was accepted by the state and will provide $1.7 million in relief to the taxpayers. Being able to get this approved by the state is a significant win for the county.

<u>ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS</u>

a) A weekly report filed by the County Dog Warden of all dogs seized, impounded, redeemed or destroyed for the week ending December 3, 2025, as required by O.R.C. 955.12.

b) Re-Appointment of Bob Somrak, Jr. to the Chester Township Park District by the Common Pleas Court, Probate Division for the term ending December 31, 2028.

c) Re-Appointment of Barbara Walter to the Russell Township Park District by the Common Pleas Court, Probate Division for the term ending December 31, 2028.

d) The Monthly Inventory Report, Consolidated Investment Portfolio and Obligations and Securities monthly reports filed by the Treasurer's Office for Geauga County for the Month of November 2025, pursuant to ORC 135.35(L).

<u>OTHER</u>
The Board reviewed upcoming events.

<u>MEETINGS</u>
Wed., 12/24 ***County Offices will be closed in honor of Christmas. Twenty-four-hour operations will continue to operate as normal.***

Thu., 12/25 ***County Offices will be closed in honor of Christmas. Twenty-four-hour operations will continue to operate as normal.***

Fri., 12/26 ***County Offices will be closed in honor of Christmas. Twenty-four-hour operations will continue to operate as normal.***

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

Thu., 1/1 ***County Offices will be closed in honor of New Year's Day. Twenty-four-hour operations will continue to operate as normal.***

Tue., 1/6 The Commissioners will hold session at 9:30 a.m., that will include their annual organizational meeting

BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD
Motion: by Commissioner Brakey, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to adjourn the meeting at 10:19 a.m.

Geauga County Board of Commissioners

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James W. Dvorak

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Carolyn Brakey, Esq.

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Ralph Spidalieri

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Christine Blair, Commissioners' Clerk

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