GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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AGENDA

For the Board of County Commissioners Meeting of October 27, 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 is requesting the Board approve and execute the minutes for the special session of April 23, 2026.

3. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of April 28, 2026.

4. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of May 5, 2026.

5. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of May 12, 2026.

6. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board approve and execute Resolution #26-162 itemizing the financials for the meeting of October 27, 2026.

7. Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Assistant Chief / Scenic Rivers Administrator Bob Gable and Chagrin River Watershed Partners, Incorporated, Deputy Director Kim Brewster Shefelton will provide information to the Board regarding a scenic river extension designation.

8. The County Engineers' Office is requesting the Board approve and execute the Snow and Ice Control Agreement among the Geauga County Board of Commissioners, Geauga County Engineer and Bainbridge Township Board of Trustees, pursuant to O.R.C. 5535.16 and 5535.08, to provide snow and ice control on 13.42 miles of County Roads (Chagrin Road, Bainbridge Road and Washington Street) for the winter season of 2026-2027 and pay Bainbridge Township for snow and ice control in the amount of $80,550.51.

9. The County Engineer's Office is requesting the Board approve and execute the Snow and Ice Control Agreement among the Geauga County Board of Commissioners, Geauga County Engineer and Claridon Township Board of Trustees, pursuant to O.R.C. 5535.16 and 5535.08, to provide snow and ice control on 9.32 miles of Township Roads (Ensign Road, Forest Road (two sections), Hall Road, Spencer Road, Stillwell Road and Taylor Wells Road) for the winter season of 2026-2027 and Claridon Township will pay for snow and ice control in the amount of $47,526.05.

10. The County Engineer's Office is requesting the Board approve and execute the Snow and Ice Control Agreement among the Geauga County Board of Commissioners, Geauga County Engineer and Montville Township Board of Trustees, pursuant to O.R.C. 5535.16 and 5535.08, to provide snow and ice control on 7.462 miles of Township Roads (Hart Road, Burrows Road, Dewey Road, Hautala Road, Kile Road and Whitney Road) for the winter season of 2026-2027 and Montville Township will pay for snow and ice control in the amount of $33,819.89.

11. The County Engineer's Office is requesting the Board approve and execute the Snow and Ice Control Agreement among the Geauga County Board of Commissioners, Geauga County Engineer and Troy Township Board of Trustees, pursuant to O.R.C. 5535.16 and 5535.08, to provide snow and ice control on 10.787 miles of Township Roads (Fox Road, Winagle Road, Patch Road, Nash Road, Tilden Road, Hoover Road, Grove Road and Greystone Drive) for the winter season of 2026-2027 and Troy Township will pay for snow and ice control in the amount of $51,927.31.

12. The County Engineer's Office is requesting the Board request the County Auditor to encumber the amount of $55,000.00 for the 2026 Glen Valley Drive Concrete Road Repair project in the Village of Middlefield, as final, detailed plans have been submitted and approved by the County Engineer and the project meets the requirements set forth in the Policy and Guidelines for the Application and Distribution of Geauga County Municipal Motor Vehicle License Tax, adopted March 22, 2022.

13. The County Engineer's Office is requesting the Board approve an encumbrance and expenditure to the Village of Middlefield for the 2026 Glen Valley Drive Concrete Road Repair project in the amount of $65,000.00 from the General Fund, Commissioners Miscellaneous Contingency Expense Account.

14. The Prosecutor's Office – Victim Witness is requesting the Board approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the VOCA and SVAA Grant Award and Acceptance Forms for the Geauga County Victim of Crime Act (VOCA) Grant #2027-VOCA-136631929 and State Victim Advocacy Act (SVAA) Grant #2027-SVAA-136631933. As part of this grant $28,441.07 is being awarded by federal VOCA funds with a local County match of $16,552.00, and $4,461.00 from SVAA with no local match. This grant is for the period October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027.

15. The Department on Aging is requesting the Board reject all bids submitted for the Elderly Nutrition Program, Preparation and Delivery of Catered Meals, according to federal guidelines for Geauga County Residents, Age 60 and over.

16. The Department on Aging is requesting the Board grant permission to re-advertise for Bids for the Elderly Nutrition Program, Preparation and Delivery of Catered Meals, according to federal guidelines for Geauga County Residents, Age 60 and over to be held on Wednesday, November 18, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. Notice of this Bid Opening will be advertised on October 29, 2026, November 5, 2026 (Maple Leaf and Cleveland Plain Dealer) and on the county website.

17. The Department of Community and Economic Development is requesting the Board grant permission to re-advertise for Bids for the Burton Public Library Elevator Modernization Project, under CDBG Grant #B-F-25-1AZ-1) to be held on Wednesday, December 2, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. Notice of this Bid Opening will be advertised on October 29, 2026, November 5, 2026, and on the county website.

18. The Maintenance Department is requesting the Board approve and execute Change Order #5, decreasing the Contract with 5K Commercial Roofing, LLC for the Geauga County Maintenance Barn Roof Replacement Project in the amount of $29,235.60.

19. The Maintenance Department is requesting the Board authorize full release of retainage in the amount of $51,597.20 to 5K Commercial Roofing, LLC as final payment for construction services work completed on the Geauga County Maintenance Barn Roof Replacement Project and further authorize transfer of the remaining balance of $7,136.45 of Owner's Contingency project funds accordingly.

20. The Maintenance Department is requesting the Board approve and execute the service Contract Agreement with Knight Sound and Lighting Incorporated to diagnose and evaluate intermittent electrical issues and provide a written report that includes a summary of testing performed, the root cause and identifying components that require replacement, parts that are acceptable to remain in service and acceptable replacement parts, for the lighting panels at the Geauga County Safety Center per the Director, effective October 27, 2026, with all work to be completed with ninety days, in an amount not to exceed $1,500.00.

21. The Maintenance Department is requesting the Board grant permission to re-advertise for Request for Proposals for Food and Beverage Concession Services in the Geauga County Office Building with Proposals due by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 19, 2026. Notice of this Request for Proposals will be advertised on October 30, 2026, November 6, 2026, and on the county website.

22. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board approve and execute Resolution #26-163 Honoring Nancy Wetzel for 41 Years of dedicated volunteer service to youth and agriculture through Geauga County 4-H and Geauga County.

23. Board Discussion – Update on ARPA Funding

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 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.

25. The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board move into Executive Session for the purpose of preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment, pursuant to O.R.C. 121.22 (G)(4).

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

a) A weekly report filed by the County Dog Warden of all dogs seized, impounded, redeemed or destroyed for the week ending October 14, 2026, as required by O.R.C. 955.12.

MEETINGS

Tue., 11/3 The Commissioners will hold session at 9:30 a.m.

Tue., 11/10 Planning Commission, 7:30 a.m. County Office Building, Room A334, Chardon

Tue., 11/10 The Commissioners will hold session at 9:30 a.m.

Wed., 11/11 **County Offices are Closed in observance of Veteran's Day, Twenty-four-hour operations will continue to operate as normal.**

Mon., 11/16 Family First Council, 1:30 p.m. County Office Building. B168

Tue., 11/17 The Commissioners will hold session at 9:30 a.m.

Tue., 11/17 Geauga Trumbull Solid Waste Management District, Board of Directors meeting, 2:00 p.m. Warren, District Office

Tue., 11/24 The Commissioners will hold session at 9:30 a.m.

Thu., 11/26 **County Offices will be closed for general business in observance of Thanksgiving Day. Twenty-four-hour operations will continue to operate as normal.**

Fri., 11/27 **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.**