

BUDGET COMMISSION

The Geauga County Budget Commission met in regular session Monday, September 15, 2025, at 10:02 a.m. in the Auditor’s office at 215 Main Street, Chardon, Ohio. Present: Geauga County Auditor Charles E. Walder, Geauga County Prosecutor James Flaiz and Geauga County Treasurer C. P. Hitchcock.

Also Present: ADP Deputy Chief Administrator, Frank Antenucci, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, Kristen Rine, and Deputy Auditors Tammy Most and Kristen Sinatra

Meeting Advertised: Regular Business - Virtual attendance offered.

Prior Minutes

Motion by Charles Walder, seconded by James Flaiz, to approve the minutes of the August 18, 2025 special session.

Voice vote: Three ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by James Flaiz, seconded by Christopher P Hitchcock, to approve the minutes of the August 19, 2025 special session.

Voice vote: Three ayes. Motion carried.

School District Amendments 2025/2026

Kenston LSD – 2025/2026 Amendment #1

Motion by Christopher P Hitchcock, seconded Charles Walder, to amend the Kenston LSD Official Certificate of Estimated Resources (GCA-015) to reflect the following changes to revenue previously certified:

Kenston LSD 2025-2026	9/15/2025 GCA-015 #1	2/19/2025 GCA-014	Fund Variance	Other Source Variance
General Fund total	50,676,446.85	50,360,051.00	316,395.85	
Tax revenue		0.00		
Other source revenue				
Special Revenue funds	1,997,765.48	1,455,700.00	542,065.48	
Tax revenue	0.00	0.00		
Other source revenue				
Debt Service	5,125,780.42	4,966,717.00	159,063.42	
Tax revenue		0.00		
Other source revenue				
Capital Project Funds	2,631,291.27	1,876,999.00	754,292.27	
Tax revenue		0.00		
Other source revenue				
Enterprise Funds	2,272,082.21	1,225,000.00	1,047,082.21	
Tax revenue		0.00		
Other source revenue	1,075,000.00	1,050,000.00		25,000.00
Internal Service Funds	8,953,296.18	10,135,000.00	(1,181,703.82)	
Tax revenue		0.00		
Other source revenue	7,925,000.00	7,600,000.00		325,000.00
Fiduciary Funds	84,576.96	55,000.00	29,576.96	
Tax revenue		0.00		
Other source revenue				
New total - All Funds	71,741,239.37	78,724,467.00		
Net Change over Original Certificate		78,724,467.00		
			50,676,446.85	
			1,997,765.48	
			5,125,780.42	
			2,631,291.27	
			2,272,082.21	
			8,953,296.18	
			84,576.96	
			71,741,239.37	
			1,316,772.37	
			0.00	
			350,000.00	
			1,666,772.37	

**Appropriation form GCA-006 dated 9/15/25 does exceed estimated revenue.*

Voice vote: Three ayes. Motion carried.

Berkshire LSD – 2025/2026 Amendment #3

Motion by Charles Walder, seconded by James Flaiz, to amend the Berkshire LSD Official Certificate of Estimated Resources (GCA-015) to reflect the following changes to revenue previously certified:

Special Revenue Fund

Increase Fund 019 MHJ Community other source revenue 30,210.00 from 174,000.00 to 204,210.00

<u>New Special Revenue Fund Total:</u>	\$ 4,455,746.35
<u>New 2025/2026 Certificate Total:</u>	\$ 33,409,119.22

**Appropriation form GCA-006 dated 9/15/25 does exceed estimated revenue.*

Voice vote: Three ayes. Motion carried.

2025 Certificate Amendments**Newbury Township – Amendment #6**

Motion by James Flaiz, seconded by Christopher P Hitchcock, to amend the 2025 Newbury Township Certificate of Estimate Resources, form GCA-015, to reflect the following changes to revenue previously certified:

Special Assessment Fund

Increase Fund 2401 Property Demolition other source revenue 541.20 from 757.68 to 1298.88

<u>New Special Assessment Fund Total:</u>	\$ 1,334.52
<u>New 2025 Certificate Total:</u>	\$7,377,337.98

**Appropriation form GCA-006 dated 7/18/25 does not exceed estimated revenue.*

Voice vote: Three ayes. Motion carried.

Bainbridge Township – Amendment #7

Motion by Christopher P Hitchcock, seconded by Charles Walder, to amend the 2025 Bainbridge Township Certificate of Estimate Resources, form GCA-015, to reflect the following changes to revenue previously certified:

Special Revenue Fund

Increase Fund 2912 ESIDS fund other source revenue 3,966.38 from 3,966.38 to 7,932.76

<u>New Special Revenue Fund Total:</u>	\$20,607,505.50
<u>New 2025 Certificate Total:</u>	\$31,777,958.99

**Appropriation form GCA-006 dated 9/15/2025 does not exceed estimated revenue.*

Voice vote: Three ayes. Motion carried.

Munson Township – Amendment #3

Motion by Charles Walder, seconded by James Flaiz, to amend the 2025 Munson Township Certificate of Estimate Resources, form GCA-015, to reflect the following changes to revenue previously certified:

Special Revenue Fund

Increase Fund 2192 Fire Operating Fund other source revenue 36,269.34 from 1,985,323.00 to 2,021,592.34

<u>New Special Revenue Fund Total:</u>	<u>\$ 4,680,425.94</u>
<u>New 2025 Certificate Total:</u>	<u>\$ 6,812,358.26</u>

**Appropriation form GCA-006 dated 9/15/25 does not exceed estimated revenue.*

Voice vote: Three ayes. Motion carried.

Geauga Public Health – Amendment #3

Motion by James Flaiz, seconded by Christopher P Hitchcock, to amend the Geauga Public Health’s Official Certificate of Estimated Resources to reflect the following changes to revenue previously certified:

General Fund

Increase fund #6002 GF OTHER other source revenue 80,000.00, from 472,463.00 to 552,463.00.

<u>New General Fund Total:</u>	<u>\$2,526,292.83</u>
<u>New 2025 Certificate Total:</u>	<u>\$7,653,447.80</u>

Voice vote: Three ayes. Motion carried.

Geauga County – Amendment #10

Motion by Christopher P Hitchcock seconded by Charles Walder, to amend the 2025 Geauga County Official Certificate of Estimated Resources to reflect the following changes to revenue previously certified:

Special Revenue Fund

Increase 2104 Board of Elections Fund other source revenue 102,895.01, from 139,663.00 to 242,558.01.

<u>New Special Revenue Funds Total:</u>	<u>\$ 126,335,271.84</u>
<u>New 2025 Certificate Total:</u>	<u>\$ 290,987,906.18</u>

Voice vote: Three ayes. Motion carried.

Geauga Public Health (Financials):

Motion by Charles Walder, seconded by James Flaiz, to acknowledge the financials as presented:

Supplemental Appropriations:

Fund #6004

Contract Services	\$10,000.00	New Total Unappropriated \$9,913.75
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Fund #6005

Contract Services	\$100,000.00	New Total Unappropriated \$434,561.70
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Fund #6011

Contract Services	\$20,000.00	New Total Unappropriated \$268,668.13
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Fund #6018

Contract Services	\$5,000.00	New Total Unappropriated \$43,128.21
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Fund #6021

Contract Services	\$50,000.00	New Total Unappropriated \$562,256.45
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Fund #6023

Contract Services	\$150,00.00	New Total Unappropriated \$327,039.52
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Fund #6036

Contract Services	\$9,000.00	New Total Unappropriated \$36,545.16
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Fund #6041

Contract Services	\$100,000.00	New Total Unappropriated \$210,129.34
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Voice Vote: Three ayes. Motion carried.

General Discussion:

Motion by James Flaiz, seconded by Charles Walder to go into executive session pursuant to R.C. 121.22 (G) (3) to discuss pending litigation at 10:21am.

Roll call: Mr. Walder, yes Mr. Flaiz yes, Mr. Hitchcock yes

The members exited executive session at 10:48 am.

Motion by James Flaiz, seconded by Christopher Hitchcock to schedule a special meeting on Friday September 19, 2025 to consider the Geauga Park District 2022 tax budget on remand from the Board of Tax Appeals.

Voice Vote: Three ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. Flaiz advised the budget staff to let the members of the Park District know about the meeting as soon as possible.

Public Comment:

Ms. McGlone asked about the Geauga Health District and whether Katie Taylor is now the Fiscal for that department. Mr. Walder confirmed that was the case. She also advised that Candidates Night was coming up. Additionally, she asked for the certificates from today's meeting.

Being no further business to conduct, a motion was made by Christopher Hitchcock, to adjourn the September 15, 2025 regular meeting at 10:58 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Charles E. Walder, Auditor
Secretary/Budget Commission

