BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AUGLAIZE COUNTY, OHIO

-- April 8, 2025 --

The Board of County Commissioners convened in regular session at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 8, 2025 in the Commissioners' Chambers with the following members present: David Bambauer, John N. Bergman and Douglas A. Spencer. The meeting of the Board was called to order by President Bambauer.

AGENDA

- 7:30 a.m. Elected Official picture (Adm. Bldg. Steps)
- 8:00 a.m. Commissioners sign resolutions/documents (Chambers)
- 8:15 a.m. Meeting with Prosecutor's Office regarding transition (Chambers)
- 8:15 a.m. Staff Meeting (Chambers)
- 9:00 a.m. Joni Training of Waynesfield Historical Society on Document Imaging (Meeting Room)
- 9:30 a.m. Meeting with JFS Director (Chambers)
- 10:30 a.m. John Albrecht Perfection Group Annual utility audit report meeting (Chambers)
- 11:30 a.m. Meeting with State Auditor for the entrance conference for 2024 (Chambers)
- 1:30 p.m. Ritter Re-evaluation hearing (Assembly Room)
- 3:30 p.m. Present and discuss upcoming resolutions (Chambers)
- 6:45 p.m. Reorganizational meeting for the Auglaize/Shelby Counties Zoning Board of Appeals (Airport)
- 7:00 p.m. Airport Authority Meeting (Neil Armstrong Airport)
- 7:00 p.m. Doug & John Greater Grand Lake Beekeepers Association Meeting (St. Marys Public Library, St. Marys, OH)

PROCEEDINGS OF THE DAY

- 7:30 a.m. The Commissioners participated in an updated Elected Officials picture.
- 8:00 a.m. Commissioner Spencer moved to approve the resolutions as presented. Commissioner Bergman seconded the motion. The resolutions were then distributed for each commissioner's vote and execution.
- 8:10 a.m. Commissioner Spencer left for the day.
- 8:45 a.m. Clerk Leffel read the minutes of the April 3, 2025 meeting. The minutes were approved with some clarification.
- 8:48 a.m. Clerk Leffel reported the following:
 - Distributed the agenda for the EL/DH quarterly meeting.
 - Reviewed the office calendar for the upcoming weeks.
- 8:50 a.m. Administrator Preston conveyed the following:
 - Updated the Board on the concrete floor at the jail and possible issue.
 - Informed the Board that there is a request to use the Courthouse parking lot starting the first Saturday in May and ending the last Saturday in October by the Wapak's Farmers

 Market
 - Stated that she and Project Maintenance Manager along with the property owners met with demolition contractors to review the two projects. Addendums will be prepared and set out.
 - Informed the Board that a request will be submitted to ODOD for an extension for the Demolition and Site Revitalization Grant. Extensions will be requested for the two active Brownfield grants as well.
 - Discussed the mowing at the New Bremen treatment plant.
 - Stated that a meeting will need to be set-up to continue the conversation on the runway and safety zones at the Airport.
- 9:00 a.m. Joni King met with representatives from the Waynesfield Historical on Document Imaging.
- 9:30 a.m. The Board and County Administrator met with the JFS Director for her monthly report.

- 10:30 a.m. The Commissioners and County Administrator met with John Albrecht and Jim Caudill with the Perfection Group to review the operational efficiencies of the energy systems that they help maintain for the county.
- 11:30 a.m. The Board, County Administrator, County Auditor and Deputy Auditor met with State of Ohio Auditor representatives and participated in their entrance conference for the 2024 Audit.
- 1:30 p.m. The Board held the re-evaluation hearing for the Ritter Ditch. Minutes of the meeting are filed in the ditch file. The Board signed Resolution #25-220.
- 2:30 p.m. The resolutions for the April 10, 2025 meeting were presented.
- The following Resolutions were presented to the Board, for its consideration (the entire texts of same are documented in the Board's Journal by the Clerk of the Board):
- #25-214 Matter of ratifying the execution of an agreement between Auglaize County Board of County Commissioners and Kelly Knutzen for mowing and trimming services at the Uniopolis Sewer Plant and Arrowhead Sewer Treatment Plant.
- #25-215 Matter of approving and authorizing the execution of a renewal agreement between Ohio Department of Mental Health and addiction services, Ohio Pharmacy Services (OPS) and Auglaize County Correction Center for OPS to provide certain goods and services, including pharmaceuticals and pharmacy services to inmates housed in the facility.
- #25-216 Matter of documenting the receipt of a bid for the 2025 Auglaize County Bridge Paving Program and awarding the bid to Buehler Asphalt Paving Inc. as recommended by County Engineer.
- #25-217 Matter of accepting the resignation of Edwin A. Pierce as Auglaize County Prosecuting Attorney.
- #25-218 Matter of appointing Benjamin R. Elder as the Acting Auglaize County Prosecuting Attorney effective April 8, 2025 at 8:16:00 a.m.
- #25-219 Matter of amending the annual appropriations as requested by the Auglaize County Prosecuting Attorney.
- #25-220 Matter of approving the re-evaluation of the Assessment Base for the Maintenance for the Ritter Ditch; changing the watershed map and certifying the maintenance base to the County Auditor.
- #25-221 Matter of setting date and time to receive bids for pavement marking for the County roadways.
- 2:30 p.m. With no further business to bring before the Board, President Bambauer adjourned the meeting for the day.

The MINUTES constitute a synopsis on matters brought to the attention of the Board of County Commissioners of Auglaize County, Ohio on this 8th day of April, 2025.

David Bambauer, President

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Erica L. Preston, County Administrator

John N. Bergman, Vice President

Esther Leffel, Clerk of the Board

Douglas A. Spencer, Member

Dated

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AGENDA

- 7:30 a.m. The Greater Grand Lake Visitors Region Monthly Meeting (CVB Office)
- 8:00 a.m. Commissioners sign resolutions/documents (Chambers)
- 8:15 a.m. Staff Meeting (Chambers)
- 8:30 a.m. Elected Officials & Department Heads Quarterly Meeting (Assembly Room)
- 11:30 a.m. Annual State of the City, County and School Luncheon (The Wapakoneta Eagles, 25 E. Auglaize St., Wapakoneta, OH)
- 1:30 p.m. Phone Conference with Allen County for the Little Ottawa River Extension Meeting (Via telephone Chambers)
- 3:30 p.m. Present and discuss upcoming resolutions (Chambers)

PROCEEDINGS OF THE DAY

- 7:30 a.m. Commissioner Bergman attended the Greater Grand Lake Visitor monthly meeting.
- 8:00 a.m. The Commissioners received and signed the check register as presented by the county auditor's office.
- 8:30 a.m. The Board hosted the quarterly elected officials and department heads meeting.
- 9:05 a.m. Commissioner Spencer moved to approve the resolutions as presented. Commissioner Bergman seconded the motion. The resolutions were then distributed for each commissioner's vote and execution.
- 9:16 a.m. Clerk Leffel read the minutes of the April 8, 2025 meeting. The minutes were approved as read.
- 9:20 a.m. Clerk Leffel reported the following:
 - Stated that a landowner stopped to ask about a drainage issue and the Clerk informed the Engineer's Office. The Engineer's Office met with the landowners.
 - Distributed a letter of retirement for a Recorder employee.
- 9:25 a.m. Administrator Preston conveyed the following:
 - Updated the Board on new ORC language that was made effective in regards to agreements and contracts for the county.
 - Informed the Board that the JFS Director is looking for a new vehicle.
 - Asked if the Board approved the design for the Juvenile Probation decals for their entrance.
 - Stated the Board needs to view the floor at the jail.
 - Updated the Board on the bed tax issue for beds licenses at the Acres property.
 - Reviewed the proposal for replacing the boilers at the Administration Building. The Board will sign the resolution for approval next week.
 - Stated that Perfection Group has done the annual audit for 14 years and next year will be the last year.
 - Asked if the Board had made a decision to hire an attorney for the Solid Waste upcoming meeting. The Board will discuss with Solid Waste Coordinator later this month.
 - Informed the Board of a possible project with decals on the ACDC building. The Board would like to see the design or proofs of the decals.
 - Forwarded an email in regards to fair housing concerns received over the weekend.
 - Informed the Board that she is still working on a meeting date to discuss the runway and safety areas at the Airport.
 - Updated board on the CERT questions and flow of funds.
- 10:30 a.m. The Board, County Administrator and Sheriff tour the concrete floor at the jail.
- 11:30 a.m. The Board attended the Annual state of the City, County and School Luncheon.

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- 1:30 p.m. The Board participated with Allen County for the Joint Board of Little Ottawa River. The Joint Board signed Allen County resolution #275-25
- 1:45 p.m. The resolutions for the April 15, 2025 meeting were presented.
- The following Resolutions were presented to the Board, for its consideration (the entire texts of same are documented in the Board's Journal by the Clerk of the Board):
- #25-222 Matter of approving the application/permit for use of the Auglaize County Courthouse property and grounds to the Wapak Farmer's Market.
- #25-223 Matter of authorizing budget adjustments.
- #25-224 Matter of amending the annual appropriation as requested by the Auglaize County Commissioners' Office.
- #25-225 Matter of amending the annual appropriation as requested by the Auglaize County Auditor's Office.
- #25-226 Matter of authorizing the County Auditor to draw warrants for then and now certificate payments.
- Allen County #275-25 resolution to amend contract for maintenance on the Little Ottawa River Stream Enhancement Project
- 1:45 p.m. With no further business to bring before the Board, President Bambauer adjourned the meeting for the day.

The MINUTES constitute a synopsis on matters brought to the attention of the Board of County Commissioners of Auglaize County, Ohio on this 10th day of April, 2025.

David Bambauer, President

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Esther Leffel, Clerk of the Board

Douglas A. Spencer, Member

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