BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AUGLAIZE COUNTY, OHIO

-- August 5, 2025 --

The Board of County Commissioners convened in regular session at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 5, 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

8:00 a.m. Commissioners sign resolutions/documents (Chambers)

8:15 a.m. Staff Meeting (Chambers)

10:00 a.m. Meeting with City of Wapakoneta & HTPD to discuss Waling Trail Collaboration (Chambers)

3:30 p.m. Present and discuss upcoming resolutions (Chambers)

PROCEEDINGS OF THE DAY

- 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.
- 8:53 a.m. Clerk Leffel read the minutes of the July 31, 2025 meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

8:55 a.m. Clerk Leffel reported the following:

- Discussed the work done at the Dog Pound building.
- Distributed the notices from Liquor Control concerning two permits and the Board will not request a hearing at this time.
- Reviewed the office calendar for the upcoming weeks.
- 9:03 a.m. Clerk Leffel presented the following for Administrator Preston:
 - Distributed and discussed the two quotes for the new door at the Title Building. The Board chose Modern Door with the shorter timeline.
- 10:00 a.m. The Board met with WAEDC Director Josh Bloomfield, City of Wapakoneta's Administrative Assistant Jaime Nelson and HTPD Executive Director PJ Fought to discuss a possible collaboration for a Walking Trail. Also in attendance was WDN Reporter Meta Hoge.
- 11:15 a.m. The resolutions for the August 7, 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):

- #25-402 Matter of authorizing the payment of the county's mandated share of public assistance for August.
- #25-403 Matter of amending the annual appropriation due to moneys certified and not appropriated.
- #25-404 Matter of authorizing a housing rehabilitation under the C.H.I.P. Program.
- 11:30 a.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 5th day of August, 2025.

David Bambauer, President

Final L. Preston, County Administrator

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Esther Leffel, Clerk of the Board

Douglas A. Spencer, Member

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AUGLAIZE COUNTY, OHIO August 7, 2025 --

The Board of County Commissioners convened in regular session at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 7, 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

- 8:00 a.m. Commissioners sign resolutions/documents (Chambers)
- 8:15 a.m. Staff Meeting (Chambers)
- 1:00 p.m. Mercer County Phone Conference for joint ditches Kyle Prairie (Auglaize, Mercer & Van Wert), Mile Creek & Loramie Creek (Auglaize, Darke, Mercer & Shelby) and Brockman Jt, Brockman & Garwood (Auglaize & Mercer) (Via Phone Chambers)
- 1:45 p.m. Andrew Baumer Joint Board (Auglaize, Mercer, Shelby & Van Wert) Phone Conference to discuss the St. Marys River Assessment (Via Phone Chambers)
- 3:30 p.m. Present and discuss upcoming resolutions (Chambers)

PROCEEDINGS OF THE DAY

- 8:00 a.m. The Commissioners received and signed the check register as presented by the county auditor's office.
- 8:05 a.m. Commissioner Bergman moved to approve the resolutions as presented.

 Commissioner Spencer seconded the motion. The resolutions were then distributed for each commissioner's vote and execution.
- 8:48 a.m. Clerk Leffel read the minutes of the August 5, 2025 meeting. The minutes were approved with some clarification.
- 8:50 a.m. Clerk Leffel reported the following:
 - Answered questions about the PI and BOCC expenses through July.
- 8:51 a.m. Administrator Preston conveyed the following:
 - Updated the Board on the Change Order #2 for the removal of the scale for the Silos Demolition Project. The Board verbally approved.
 - Asked about the Dog Pound invoice from the Engineer's Office.
 - Discussed the Health Department survey and it was decided that she will submit one from the Commissioners' Office.
 - Updated the Board that the Commissioners have no ability or statutory authority to reimburse for property tax credit increases.
 - Informed the Board that she got a request from Solid Waste on the CDL training and the
 possibility of contracting with the City of St. Marys. The County Administrator will followup with the City of St. Marys.
 - Informed the Board of the new internet connection by the IT Manager and the addition of cameras at Solid Waste. Confirmed that the Auditor, Treasurer and IT Manager have confirmed that they are okay with the use of the credit card payment at the Recycling Center.
 - Stated that Kraig Noble stopped and provided the idea for the county to provide a countywide evidence storage area for all state cases. The Board will review.
 - Discussed the request from an elevator company to allow for the return of elevator parts
 that were never installed and claiming it was unpaid for by the previous operator of the
 Acres. The County will allow this in a good faith effort, since the parts were claimed to be
 unpaid by the previous operator.
 - Asked if the Board wanted to proceed with the vascular screenings for the county employees this fall and the Board verbally agreed to proceed with the screenings.
 - Discussed the possibility that the Auglaize County JFS Director would be able to assist
 Hardin County JFS with fiscal services during the time they are looking for a new director.
 The Board will call and discuss with Hardin County Commissioners if necessary and the
 Auglaize County JFS Director.

- 1:00 p.m. The Auglaize County Commissioners participated in a phone conference with Mercer, Auglaize, Darke, Shelby and Van Wert County Commissioners for the maintenance assessment of numerous joint ditches. The Joint Board (Auglaize, Mercer and Van Wert) approved Mercer County resolution #25-692 for the Kyle Prairie Ditch. The Joint Board (Auglaize, Darke, Mercer and Shelby) approved the Mercer County Resolution #25-693 for the Mile Creek & Loramie Creek Ditch Project. Lastly, the Joint Board (Auglaize and Mercer) approved Mercer County Resolution #25-694 for Brockman Jt. Brockman and Garwood ditch projects.
- 1:45 p.m. The Auglaize County Commissioners held the phone conference meeting for the collection of funds for the maintenance account of the St. Marys River Enhancement Project. The Joint Board included commissioners from Auglaize, Mercer, Shelby and Van Wert counties via phone. Also the Auglaize County Engineer participated in the meeting via phone. The Joint Board (Auglaize, Mercer, Shelby and Van Wert) signed Resolution #25-406 to approve a 20% collection for the two years (2026 and 2027).
- 2:30 p.m. The resolutions for the August 12, 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):

- #25-405 Matter of authorizing budget adjustments.
- #25-406 Matter of authorizing the collection of funds for the maintenance account of the St. Marys River Enhancement Project.
- #25-407 Matter of approving a contract between Auglaize County Department of Job and Family Services and Isaiah's Place, Inc.
- #25-408 Matter of accepting the resignation from an employee as the Case Manager / Employment Services position of the Ohio Means Jobs and Job and Family Services Department.
- #25-409 Matter of authorizing the County Auditor to draw warrants for then and now certificate payments.

Mercer County Resolutions #25-692,#25-693 and #25-694

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 7th day of August, 2025.

David Bambauer, President

Frica L. Preston, County Administrator

John N. Bergman, Vice President

Esther Leffel, Clerk of the Board

Douglas A. Spencer, Member

Dated