

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AUGLAIZE COUNTY, OHIO
-- January 6, 2026 --**

The Board of County Commissioners convened in regular session at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 6, 2026 in the Commissioners' Chambers with the following members present: David Bambauer and Douglas A. Spencer, John N. Bergman was excused for the day. The meeting of the Board was called to order by President Bambauer.

AGENDA

- 8:00 a.m. Commissioners sign resolutions/documents (Chambers)
- 8:30 a.m. Reorganization of the Board (Chambers)
- 9:00 a.m. Staff meeting (Chambers)
- 3:30 p.m. Present and discuss upcoming resolutions (Chambers)

PROCEEDINGS OF THE DAY

- 8:36 a.m. Commissioner Bambauer turned the reorganizational meeting over to Clerk Erica Preston to conduct the election of officers.
- 8:39 a.m. Clerk Preston asked for a nomination for the election of officers. Commissioner Bambauer moved that Commissioner John N. Bergman serve as President and Commissioner Douglas A. Spencer serve as Vice President of the Board of County Commissioners, Auglaize County, Ohio for 2026 and in the absence of the President of the Board of County Commissioners, the Vice President will preside; Commissioner Spencer seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken: Mr. Bambauer-yes, Mr. Spencer- yes and Mr. Bergman-absent. Motion carried.
Commissioner Bambauer moved to retain the regular session meeting times for the Board of County Commissioners for 2026. The Board of County Commissioners, Auglaize County, Ohio shall meet in regular session every Tuesday and Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or until the conclusion of that day's business. Commissioner Spencer seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken: Mr. Bambauer-yes, Mr. Spencer-yes and Mr. Bergman-absent. Motion Carried.
- 8:55 a.m. Commissioner Spencer moved to approve the resolutions as presented. Commissioner Bambauer seconded the motion. The resolutions were then distributed for each commissioner's vote and execution.
- 9:00 a.m. Interim Office Administrator Freymuth provided the minutes of the December 30, 2025. The minutes were approved a presented.
 - Reviewed resumes for vacant Clerk Position
 - Discussed Agenda for Elected Official/Dept. Head Meeting
 - Reviewed with the Board the office calendar
- 9:29 a.m. Administrator Preston conveyed the following:
 - Discussed 2026 Resolutions for Standard Operating Procedures
 - Discussed Brownfield grant request
 - Discussed IT Department personnel needs


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):

- 26-001 Matter of the reorganization of the Board of Auglaize County Commissioners for the Year 2026.
- #26-002 Annual Appropriation Resolution for 2026.

- #26-003 Matter of approving the grant application for 2025-DL-LEF-38161 for the Sheriff's Office Grand Lake Task Force.
- #26-004 Matter of approving the grant application for the 2025-VC-VCR-24049 for the Sheriff's Office Grand Lake Task Force.
- #26-005 Matter Ratifying the Lateral Position Change of Leah Shobe at the Auglaize County Department of Job and Family Services.
- #26-006 Matter Appointing Ryan Luiken to the Position of Recycling Laborer for the Auglaize County Solid Waste Department.
- #26-007 Matter Authorizing the County Auditor to draw warrants for then and now certificate payments.

11:45 p.m. With no further business to bring before the Board, Vice President Spencer 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 6th day of January, 2026.



David Bambauer, Member



John N. Bergman, President



Douglas A. Spencer, Vice President



Erica L. Preston, County Administrator



Amy L. Freymuth, Interim Office Admn.



Date