BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AUGLAIZE COUNTY, OHIO

-- July 22, 2025 --

The Board of County Commissioners convened in regular session at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 22, 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)
- 8:30 a.m. Dave Board of Revision Meeting (Assembly Room)
- 9:00 a.m. Amy Workforce Administrator monthly meeting (Chambers)
- 10:00 a.m. MEBC Quarterly meeting with Mercer County and Arthur Gallagher (220 W. Livingston St., Room A201, Celina, OH)
- 11:00 a.m. LFA monthly meeting with Mercer County (220 W. Livingston St., Room A201, Celina, OH)
- 1:30 p.m. Russ Bailey monthly meeting for county dog warden (Dog Shelter Building)
- 2:30 p.m. Carolyn Carducci Arts Place Meeting to discuss the final Plan (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.
- 8:30 a.m. Commissioner David Bambauer attended the Board of Revision meeting.
- 8:52 a.m. Clerk Leffel read the minutes of the July 17, 2025 meeting. The minutes were approved as read.
- 8:55 a.m. Clerk Leffel reported the following:
 - Reviewed the office calendar for the upcoming weeks.
- 9:00 a.m. The Workforce Administrator met with the Board and County Administrator to present her monthly update.
- 10:00 a.m. The Commissioners met with the Mercer County commissioners as the MEBC consortium Board.
- 11:00 a.m. The Board met with the Mercer County Commissioners as the Lake Facility Authority.
- 12:00 p.m. Commissioner Bergman left for the day.
- 1:30 p.m. The Board met with the County Assistant Dog Warden for his monthly update.
- 2:30 p.m. Commissioners Bambauer and Spencer along with County Administrator met with a Arts Place representative to discuss the final plan.
- 2:51 p.m. Administrator Preston conveyed the following:
 - Stated that she is working on the dates for the informational meetings for the sales tax.
 She is also working on updating the PowerPoint presentation for said meeting.
 - Informed the Board that she has received the insurance renewals for data collection.
 - Updated the Board that the counties of Allen, Putnam and Hardin will be participating in a pilot program for Public Defender Services.
 - Distributed the changes to be sent to the railroad located in Uniopolis.
 - Informed the Board of the quote for a new virtual server. The Clerk will prepare a resolution to appropriate the funds out of the PI Fund.
 - Stated that she reached out to Roof Connect and Paving Connect for specifications and quotes for a paving and a roof project. She informed the Board that a resolution would need to be done to use Roof Connect and Paving Connect and pursuing contractors through the Co-Op Program.
 - Discussed an employee and intermittent FMLA.

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- Updated the Board that the west doors were not working and they have been fixed.
- Discussed the request for credit card payment agreement for the Solid Waste Department.
- Informed the Board of several complaints about the sidewalks at different locations. 3:30 p.m. The resolutions for the July 24, 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):
- #25-383 Matter of approving "Agreement and by-law Midwest Pool Rick Management Agency, Inc." effective August 1, 1987 and as amended effective July 15, 2025.
- #25-384 Matter of authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Auglaize County Fair Board, The Auglaize County Board of Commissioners, and the Auglaize County Veterans Services Commission for the use and maintenance of the Veterans Pavilion located a the Auglaize County Fairgrounds.
- The Board of Directors of Grand Lake St. Marys LFA approving Change Order 2 for the Chickasaw Creek Wetland Restoration Project.
- The Board of Directors of Grand Lake St. Marys LFA approving Change Order 1 for the Northshore Greenspace & Rosenbeck Nature Preserve Wetlands.
- The Board of Directors of Grand Lake St. Marys LFA entering into an agreement with Garmann Miller dba Access Engineering Solutions for the Prairie Creek Wetland Inlet Improvements.
- 3:30 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 22nd day of July, 2025.

David Bambauer, President

Erica L. Preston, County Administrator

John N. Bergman Vice President

Esther Leffel, Clerk of the Board

Douglas A. Spencer, Member

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AUGLAIZE COUNTY, OHIO July 24, 2025 --

The Board of County Commissioners convened in regular session at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, July 24, 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)

11:00 a.m. Phone conference with Allen County joint ditch maintenance assessments for Porter-Lateral, Reichelderfer, Sellers and Sprague (Via phone – Chambers)

Immediately following this meeting Allen County meeting to discuss Little Ottawa River Meeting (Via phone – Chambers)

1:00 p.m. Phone conference with Mercer County to discuss joint ditch maintenance assessments for Craft #1, Doshe, Blasé and Hussey Ditches (Via phone – Chambers)

1:30 p.m. Sam Phlipot – Re-evaluation hearing for Sudman Ditch (Assembly Room)

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.
- 8:38 a.m. Clerk Leffel read the minutes of the July 22, 2025 meeting. The minutes were approved with some clarification.
- 8:42 a.m. Administrator Preston conveyed the following:
 - Distributed the meeting dates for the public informational sales tax meetings throughout Auglaize County.
 - Discussed the request from the Workforce Administrator for \$600 for boosted internet for the Mission Discovery Event at the fairgrounds. The Board approved the request.
 - Stated that the Paving Connect and Roofing Connect will met with Maintenance Project Manager to discuss the two projects.
 - Discussed the Shine the Light on Dumper project and that is progressing and there may be a change order coming for unexpected concrete. The stockyards project has been graded and grass seeded, this project is complete.
 - Updated the Board that the spouting needs to be replaced at the Title/BMV building. The maintenance department will get some quotes for said repair.
 - The Board and County Administrator discussed the Historic Tax Credit and the meeting they attended yesterday. They stated it was very worthwhile.
- 11:00 a.m. The Board held a phone conference with the Allen County to discuss joint board ditch assessments for Porter-Lateral, Reichelderfer, Sellers and Sprague ditches. The Joint Board signed resolution #25-385.
- Immediately following this meeting, the Allen County Commissioners conducted a meeting in regards to the Little Ottawa River and that the contract needed to be amended.
- 1:00 p.m. The Board held a phone conference with the Mercer County to discuss joint board ditch assessments for Craft #1, Doshe, Blasé and Hussey ditches. The Joint Board signed resolutions #25-386 and #25-387.
- 1:30 p.m. The Board held the re-evaluation hearing for the SudmanDitch. The minutes will be in the ditch file. The Board signed Resolution #25-388.
- 2:15 p.m. Staff meeting continued:
 - Discussed allowing the St. Marys Summerfest committee to have the Board's Noon Edition slot.

- Discussed the need to schedule a meeting to meet with the JFS Director regarding the JFS budget and proposed cost savings measures.
- 2:45 p.m. The resolutions for the July 29, 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):
- #25-385 Matter of the Joint Board of Commissioners, Auglaize and Allen County, Ohio, certifies collection assessments for maintenance on various ditches to the Allen and Auglaize County Auditors.
- #25-386 Matter of the Joint Board of Commissioners, Auglaize and Mercer County, Ohio, certifies collection assessments for maintenance on various ditches to the Mercer and Auglaize County Auditors.
- #25-387 Matter of approving the amendment to Resolution #22-287 for the removal of the 8% collection maintenance fee for the collection year 2026 for the Hussey Joint Ditch Maintenance Fund and certify the amendment to the county auditors.
- #25-388 Matter of approving the re-evaluation of the assessment base for the maintenance for the Sudman Ditch; changing the watershed map and certifying the maintenance base to the County Auditor.
- #25-389 Matter of authorizing the County Auditor to draw warrants for then and now certificate payments.
- Allen County Resolution to amend contract for maintenance on the Little Ottawa River Stream Enhancement Project.
- 2:45 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 24th day of July, 2025.

David Bambauer, President

Frica L. Preston, County Administrator

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John N. Bergman Vice President

Esther Leffel, Clerk of the Board

Douglas A. Spencer, Member

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