

Stark County Commissioners Board of Commissioners Minutes

June 03, 2026

Present

Richard Regula, President
Bill Smith, Vice President
Alan Harold, Member
Brant Luther, County Administrator
Sara Donald, County Clerk

Approved By The Stark
County Commissioners

Regula: _____
Smith: _____
Harold: _____
Clerk: _____

Date Approved: _____

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I. Call to Order

President of the Board, Commissioner Richard Regula, called the meeting of the Board of Commissioners to order at 1:30 p.m. Present, were Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith and Commissioner Harold. Commissioner Regula noted that in addition to attending in-person, the public may also attend by teleconference.

II. Pledge

Commissioner Regula led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

III. Amendments

None

IV. Public Speaks

Nancy Bloom of Canton spoke about her concerns regarding Data Centers.

Lori Brown of Canton spoke about her concerns regarding transparency, Tax Credits and Zoning for the Faircrest Street Data Center.

Kai Welch of Canton spoke about her concerns about the Data Center.

Skylark Bruce of Canton spoke about questions and concerns surrounding the data center.

Greg Bambanek, JIW at IBEW Local 540 Organizer, spoke about his support for Data Centers throughout Stark County.

Curt Moore, JIW at IBEW Local 540 Representative, spoke about his support for Data Centers throughout Stark County.

Chamone Russell of Canton spoke about her concerns with the Canton City Police and CPS (Child Protective Services).

Desiree Mutchler of Canton spoke about her concerns with various agencies in Stark County.

Amendment:

Commissioner Harold requested an Executive Session to discuss pending litigation at the end of the meeting.

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Amendment made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

V. Resolution-Discussion and Action

Finance (Kris Miller)

- Appropriations:
 - Auditor: Appropriation for 1st and 2nd half settlement-\$5,400.00
 - Commissioners: Appropriation to reimburse emergency cleanup expenses-\$40,000.00
 - Commissioners: Appropriation for legal counsel for the Common Pleas Court-\$25,00.00
 - Treasurer: Appropriation for DTAC Treasurer Fund 374-\$598,026.92

- Treasurer: Appropriation for Forfeited Land Sale Residue Fund 002-\$771,202.21
- Treasurer: Appropriation for Unclaimed Money Fund 094-\$300,000.00

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Appropriations made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

- Budget Transfers:
 - Record Center: Other to Service-\$9,000.00
 - Sheriff: Service to Salary-\$426.40
 - Sheriff: Service to Supply-\$7,730.38

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Budget Transfers made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

- County Obligations Journal Entries:
 - Commissioners to Job & Family Services: June 2026 Mandated Shares-\$95,611.75
 - Commissioners to RPC: April 2026 Wage Monitoring Invoice #2151-\$946.12
 - Commissioners to RPC: April 2026 Subdivision Eng./Inspection Invoice #2151-\$19,322.83

- Commissioners to RPC: April 2026 Storm & Water/NPDES Invoice #2151-\$5,521.01
- Commissioners to RPC: April 2026 House Numbering Invoice #2151-\$2,653.97
- Commissioners to Soil & Water: 2026 Soil & Water Conservation Local Share-\$60,000.00

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve County Obligations Journal Entries made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

- Intergovernmental Journal Entries:
 - Building Inspection to Commissioners: 2026 Indirect costs-\$18,279.00
 - CDBG/HOME to RPC: Reimburse CDBG/HOME Admin Exp Invoices 2152 and 2153-\$45,422.75
 - Community Development to Stark Mental Health & Recovery Services: Homeless Hotline FY25 request No. 11-\$388.90
 - DD to Sheriff: May 2026 Law Enforcement Contractual Services-\$12,118.68
 - Job & Family Services to Commissioners: June 2026 Midtown Rent-\$28,671.08
 - Job & Family Services to Commissioners: June 2026 Cornerstone Rent-\$3,400.90
 - Job & Family Services to DD: JFS Reimburse SCBDD Invoice-\$59,143.81

- Prosecutor to Facilities: June 2026 Parking Lot 2 space 22-\$35.00
- Sanitary Engineer to Commissioners: 2024 Fiscal Year Indirect Costs-\$126,953.00

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Intergovernmental Journal Entries made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

Discuss and Consider Approval (Kris Miller)

- Adult Probation: A Resolution retroactively approving one, 36-Month Lease of a new 2026 Chevy Trailblazer (\$389/Mo) effective 5/28/26 - Vendor: Lavery Automotive Sales and Service through GM Financial

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Resolution made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

- Job and Family Services: Authorization request to file the Title XX County Profile Report with the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services for Federal Fiscal Year 2027, which runs from October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027.

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Resolution made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

- Job and Family Services: A Resolution authorizing the use of the Income Maintenance Allocation and the Child, Family, Adult Community, and Protective Services Allocation between Public Assistance and the Child Support Enforcement Agency for State Fiscal Year 2026.

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Resolution made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

- Sheriff: A Resolution authorizing a new procurement card user (Beverly Lazar) pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 301.29, to be subject to a monthly credit limit of \$20,000.00.

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Resolution made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

- Treasurer: A Resolution authorizing the president of the board to enter into an agreement with Toshiba for a 60-month lease for two (2) Toshiba Copiers and four (4) HP printers.
 - Toshiba e-STUDIO4525AC
 - Toshiba e-STUDIO4525AC
 - HP LaserJet Enterprise M507dn
 - HP LaserJet Enterprise M608dn
 - HP LaserJet Enterprise M507dn
 - HP LaserJet Enterprise M609dn

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Resolution made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

Requisitions (Kris Miller)

- Engineer: Asphalt concrete materials (Hot & Cold Mix) for the 2026/2027 Construction Season approved by the BOC on May 20, 2026 (Bid #2999)- Various Vendor-\$150,000.00
 - Prices are in effect for the period 6/1/2026-5/31/2027
- RPC: Annual Dues 7/1/26-6/30/27-Vendor: National Community Development Association-\$2,000.00

- Sanitary Engineer: Fuel, Gas & Related Supplies-Vendor: McIntosh Oil Company Inc.-\$150,000.00

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Requisitions made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

Change Orders (Kris Miller)

- Clerk of Courts: Postage-Vendor: Pitney Bowes-Original amount
\$120,000.00+\$60,000.00=\$180,000.00

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Change Orders made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

Travel (Kris Miller)

- Three 911 employees seeking a total of \$3,214.51 to attend the National NENA conference on June 28, 2026 to July 2, 2026 in Columbus, OH.
- One EMA employee seeking \$438.50 to attend NTSB Transportation Disaster Assistance on June 2-4, 2026 in Columbus, OH.
- One EMA employee is seeking to use the county vehicle to attend the 2026 NECO Emergency Preparedness Conference on June 11, 2026 in Summit County, OH.
- One Job and Family Services employee seeking \$873.79 to attend the PCSAO Executive Membership Meeting on June 24th - June 26th 2026 in Lewis Center, OH.
- Two Job and Family Services employees seeking \$110.75 to attend Canton/Cleveland District Meeting on June 8, 2026, in Lisbon, OH.

- Two Job and Family Services employees seeing \$60.00 to attend The Safe Access for Victim's Economic Security Meeting on June 23, 2026 in New Philadelphia, OH.
- Two Sanitary Engineer employees seeking \$190.00 to attend an Emergency Response Planning Seminar on June 4, 2026 in Canton, OH.

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Travel made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

Human Resources (Michael Kimble)

- A Resolution Approving a Revised Table of Organization for the Building Department

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Resolution made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

- A Resolution Approving a Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the Stark County Board of Developmental Disabilities and the Stark County Educators and Professional Trainers Association (SCEPTA)

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Resolution made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

- A Resolution Approving Re-Enrollment in the County Commissioners Association of Ohio (CCAO) Workers' Compensation Group Retrospective Rating Program for 2027.

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Resolution made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

VI. Approve Minutes

May 20, 2026

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Minutes made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

Engineer (Jennifer Odey)

- A Resolution awarding the Stark County Engineer's contract for the H-3-2026 Hot Mix Asphalt Resurfacing Project to Northstar Asphalt, Inc. of North Canton, Ohio in the amount of \$3,269,823.33.

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Resolution made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

- A Resolution approving a Professional Services Agreement with West Erie Realty Solutions, LTD to perform Right of Way Acquisition Services for the STA-State St/Cleveland Ave Roundabout Project, PID 117499.

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Resolution made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

- A Resolution approving the installation of "No Engine Brake" signs on Beeson St. (CR-41) and Marlboro Ave. (CR-30) at the intersection of Beeson St. and Marlboro Ave. located in Marlboro Township.

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Resolution made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

Sanitary Engineer (Jennifer Odey)

- A Resolution approving a Drainlayers' License for 2 Cousins Construction and Excavating, LLC. commencing on June 3, 2026, and ending on the first day of March 2027.

2 Cousins Construction and Excavating, LLC
11344 Orrville St NW
Massillon, Oh 44647

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Resolution made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

- A Resolution approving Change Order No. 1 with S.E.T. Inc. for the Sanitary Engineer's Project P-617B Collection System Repairs Phase II.

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Resolution made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

Regional Planning (Jennifer Odey)

- A Resolution accepting the General and Sidewalk Performance Bonds for the Sparwood Farms No. 3 Allotment in Plain Township.

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Resolution made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

- A Resolution approving seven Fair Housing Tester two-year agreements for the Stark County Fair Housing Department to conduct as-needed investigative testing as a result of any preliminary complaint that may be filed with the Stark County Fair Housing Department. (Elizabeth Jackson, Darwin Gardner, Teresa Kvochick, Charles Ford, Patrick Snyder, Patricia Baker, and Traci Skipper)

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Resolution made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

- A Resolution approving Change Order No. 5 with Unlimited Core Solutions, LLC. for the Village of Brewster Hillview Mobile Home Park Sanitary Sewer project.

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Resolution made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

Commissioners (Jennifer Odey)

- A Resolution authorizing the use of Catalis Court Payments as a secondary payment processing vendor for financial transaction services.

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Resolution made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

- A Resolution approving a non-exclusive right-of-way and easement with the Ohio Power Company, an Ohio Corporation and a unit of American Electric Power.

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Resolution made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

- A Resolution approving a Contribution-In-Aid-of-Construction Agreement for Electric Distribution Service with AEP of Ohio.

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Resolution made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

- A Resolution appointing Mark Brink to the Stark County Mental Health & Addiction Recovery Board.

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Resolution made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

- A Resolution approving and authorizing the Board of Commissioners to sign a Joint Application for the appointment of outside legal counsel in pending litigation.

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Resolution made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

- A Resolution approving and authorizing the County Administrator to sign a Terms of Engagement document with Isaac, Wiles, Burkholder & Miller, LLC to retain specialized legal Counsel.

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Resolution made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

Ohio Division of Liquor Control (Jennifer Odev)

- A Resolution indicating the Board of Commissioners is not requesting a hearing regarding the transfer of a liquor license in Plain Township.
Puckers Canton LLC
Puckers Sports Pub & Grille
3199 Whitewood St NW, Plain Twp, N Canton, OH 44720

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Resolution made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

- A Resolution indicating the Board of Commissioners is not requesting a hearing regarding a new liquor license permit in Tuscarawas Township.
Dolgen Midwest LLC
Dollar General Store 31676
11231 Finefrock Road SW, Tuscarawas Twp, Massillon, OH 44647

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Resolution made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

VII. Commissioners Comments and Questions

Monday June 8, 2026 @ 10:00 AM-No Work Session (If Needed). In addition to attending in-person, the public may also Dial (667) 770-1465 Access Code 692732# (Listen Only)

Tuesday June 9, 2026 @ 10:00 AM-Work Session. Stark District Library Levy Request. In addition to attending in-person, the public may also Dial (667) 770-1465 Access Code 692732# (Listen Only)

Wednesday June 10, 2026 @ 9:30 AM-Department Head Meeting.

Wednesday June 10, 2026 @ 1:00 PM-Lake Twp. Road Vacation Hearing. In addition to attending in-person, the public may also Dial (667) 770-1465 Access Code 692732# (Listen Only)

Wednesday June 10, 2026 @ 1:30 PM-Board of Commissioners Meeting. In addition to attending in-person, the public may also Dial (667) 770-1465 Access Code 692732# (Listen Only)

VIII. Executive Session 121.22(G)(3) to discuss pending litigation involving the county Prosecutors

Commissioner Harold moved, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to adjourn into Executive Session Pursuant to O.R.C. 121.22 (G)(3) to discuss pending litigation involving the county prosecutors at 2:07 PM.

Roll Call Vote: Harold. Yes Smith. Yes, Regula. Yes, Motion Carried.

The Commissioners came out of Executive Session at 2:44 PM

IV. Adjournment

Meeting Adjourned at 2:44 PM.

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Adjournment made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

Votes For (3): Commissioner Regula, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Harold

NOTICE: Minutes of meetings of the Board of Commissioners are filed as a permanent record in the official journal of the Board of Commissioners. The official record includes originals or copies of all resolutions that are adopted by the Board. This includes resolutions approving the signing of Contractual documents, financial transaction forms and other actions adopted by the Board. Contracts, agreements, leases, purchase orders, personnel actions and other such material referred to in the resolutions are filed by subject in the Administrative Offices and originating departments. The official journals that include, the minutes and related resolutions are available for public inspection in the Administrative Offices of the Commissioners.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sara Donald, Clerk

Orig.: Sara Donald
Cc: Commissioners