

Stark County Commissioners Board of Commissioners Minutes

July 15, 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 1:33 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

Brant Luther: Add two (2) additional topics, pending litigation and the hiring of a public employee for the Executive Session.

IV. Public Speaks

Nancy Bloom of Canton spoke about potential electric cost increases from Data Centers.

V. Approve Minutes

July 8, 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

VI. Resolution-Discussion and Action

Finance (Kris Miller)

- Budget Transfers:
 - Adult Probation GSP FY 26-27: Renovation to 2nd floor room at Bow Building from Service to Capital-\$10,300.00

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 SCOG: July 2026 SCOG Share-\$54,993.76

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:
 - Common Pleas Court to Sheriff: Fingerprints-\$40.00
 - EMA to Sheriff: 3rd Quarter Law Enforcement Contract-\$132,612.50
 - Family Court to Sheriff: Fingerprints-\$22.00
 - FY2024 State Homeland Sec Grant to Commissioners: 316 Funds to General Fund-\$160,380.00
 - Motor Vehicle & Gas Tax to Data Processing: March 2026-2026-33-ITC-\$97.52
 - Motor Vehicle & Gas Tax to Data Processing: April 2026-2026-44-ITC-\$97.52
 - Motor Vehicle & Gas Tax to Data Processing: May 2026 Invoice 2026-55-ITC-\$97.52
 - Sanitary Engineer to Data Processing: May 2026 Sanitary IT Charges 2026-50-ITC-\$112.24
 - SRCCC Operating Grant FY 26-27 to Sheriff: June 2026 Fingerprint fees-\$160.00

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: Resolution authorizing an agreement between the Adult Probation Department and the Sheriff for participation in the Prevention, Accountability, Treatment, Healing (PATH) Program, effective 6/29/26-10/30/26

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 approving the Title IV-D Contract with the Stark County Family Court to process Title IV-D cases. Effective from July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027, and the total contract cost shall not exceed \$46,005.24.

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 declaring Stark County Commissioner Property as excess property and authorizing it to be sold on Govdeals.
2018 BMW X5 – VIN # 5UXKR0C54J0X89923
2022 Dodge Challenger – VIN # 2C3CDZFJ8NH128838

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)

- IT: OnBase Subscription & SW-Enhanced Support Agreement 2026-2027-Vendor: Naviant Inc.-\$114,150.22
- Job & Family Services: Foster Parent Board-Various Vendors-\$800,000.00
- Sanitary Engineer: 2027 Annual Membership Dues-Vendor: NEFCO-\$63,855.00

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

Non-Encumbered Expenses (Kris Miller)

- Common Pleas Court: Labor & Materials-Vendor: Kell Painting & Decorating-\$9,146.00
- Coroner: Transfer-Vendor: Paquelet & Arnold-Lynch Funeral Home-\$395.00

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Non-Encumbered Expenses made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

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

Travel (Kris Miller)

- One Veterans employee seeking \$497.55 to attend 2026 Ohio Veterans Convention on August 7-8, 2026 in Columbus, 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

Engineer (Jennifer Odey)

- A Resolution Authorizing an Agreement to Consent to and cooperate with State of Ohio DOT for ODOT Project STA-SR172-00.00/CR 314 Alabama Avenue Roundabout PID 120082.

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 bid specifications, plans, and advertisement to bid the Whipple Ave & 4th/3rd St Improvement Project, PID #118837.

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. 6 with Wenger Excavating Inc. for the Stark County Engineer's Dressler Road Improvement 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

- A Resolution approving Change Order No. 7 with Wenger Excavating Inc. for the Stark County Engineer's Dressler Road Improvement 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

- A Resolution to proceed with the Improvement of the Central Avenue (TR-290) Bridge (CA-15-28) Replacement 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

Sanitary Engineer (Jennifer Odey)

- A Resolution Approving the Application, Agreement, and Acceptance of a Performance Bond for the Private Construction of Sanitary Sewer Extension No. 2025.01 in Jackson Township, Stark County, 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

Regional Planning (Jennifer Odey)

- A Resolution approving the final plat for Belden Village Subdivision No. 7 in Jackson 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 the final plat for Floradale Acres No. 5 in Jackson 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 adopting the amended HOME American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) Allocation Plan.

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, on behalf of the Family Court, approving Amendment No. 1 for the contract with Child & Adolescent Behavioral Health using Behavioral Health Juvenile Justice (BHJJ) Grant funds.

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 Moral Obligation Resolution to reimburse an overpayment of public records request fees to EWU Media, LLC.

Motion Result: Pass

Motion to: Approve Moral Obligation made by Commissioner Harold and seconded by Commissioner Smith

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

- A Resolution establishing two New Funds for the Stark County Probate Court.

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 Odey)

- A Resolution indicating the Board of Commissioners is not requesting a hearing regarding a new liquor license permit in Jackson Township.
Loby's Bar & Grille LLC
4736 Hills, Jackson Twp, Canton, OH 44708
Permit Class - D-3A

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 July 20, 2026 @ 10:00 AM-Work Session (If Needed). In addition to attending in-person, the public may also Dial (667) 770-1465 Access Code 692732# (Listen Only)

Tuesday July 21, 2026 @ 10:00 AM-Work Session. Monthly Finance Update; and update from Aqua Ohio. In addition to attending in-person, the public may also Dial (667) 770-1465 Access Code 692732# (Listen Only)

Wednesday July 22, 2026 @ 1:00 PM-Public Hearing regarding amending fees for the Stark County Building Dept. and fees of the Stark County Subdivision Engineer.

Wednesday July 22, 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)(1) to discuss the compensation and hiring of a Public Employee and 121.22(G)(3) to discuss pending litigation.

Commissioner Harold moved, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to adjourn into Executive Session Pursuant to O.R.C. 121.22 (G)(1) to discuss the compensation and hiring of a public employee and 121.22 (G)(3) to discuss pending litigation with legal counsel, County Administrator Brant Luther and Budget Director Chris Nichols at 1:47 PM.

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

The Commissioners came out of Executive Session at 3:46 PM

IX. Adjournment

Meeting Adjourned at 3:46 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