

STARK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA



AUGUST 19, 2026

Commissioners

Richard Regula, President

Bill Smith, Vice President

Alan Harold, Member

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Pledge**
- III. Amendments**
- IV. Public Speaks**
- V. Approve Minutes**
- VI. Resolution-Discussion and Action**

Finance (Kris Miller)

- Appropriations:
 - Commissioners: Appropriation for Professional Electric Engineering Services for the Stark County Fairgrounds Power Distribution Upgrades-\$217,588.00
 - Engineer: Appropriation to reestablish balances for various expense accounts for use in 2026-\$1,500,000.00
 - Prosecutor: Appropriation for AGO CAP Funding Expert Witness for LETF Reimbursement-\$450.00
 - Recorder: Additional 2026 Appropriation request-\$30,000.00 - Escrow Fund

- Intergovernmental Journal Entries:
 - Common Pleas Court to Sheriff: Reimburse Sheriff for PATH Program services-\$1,000.00
 - FY2024 State Homeland Security Grant to Commissioners: Advance Out to Advance In for FY25 SHRP Grant-\$160,380.00
 - Job & Family Services to Job & Family Services: Quarterly reimbursement to the Public Assistance Fund for SFY26, 4th Quarter CSEA (April-June) reconciliation of expenditure-\$111,161.93
 - Job & Family Services to Job & Family Services: Quarterly reimbursement to the Public Assistance Fund for SFY26, 4th Quarter PCSA (April-June) reconciliation of expenditures and revenues-\$2,652,378.63
 - Job & Family Services to Job & Family Services: Quarterly reimbursement to the Public Assistance Fund for SFY26, 3rd Quarter (January-March) Title XX Ceiling Excess-\$261,378.09
 - Job & Family Services to Prosecuting Attorney: JFS Reimburse Prosecutor 3rd Quarter 2026 CAP-\$100,000.00

Award Bid (Kris Miller)

- Job and Family Services: A Resolution awarding Bid #3000 for Security Services to the lowest and best bid - Allied Security Services for a two-year agreement with the option to renew for three (3) one-year periods at a hourly rate for armed guards of \$29.30 - effective 10/1/26 - 9/30/28.

Advertise for Proposal (Kris Miller)

- Job and Family Services: A Resolution to advertise Proposal # 26-01 - Title XX Services for the Stark County Community

Discuss and Consider Approval (Kris Miller)

- IT/Various Departments: A Resolution authorizing a Micro Computer Maintenance Contract (All Equipment) with Doing Better Business Inc. in the amount of \$48,401.72 per year commencing September 1, 2026 through August 31, 2027.

- Job and Family Services: A Resolution approving a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the International Institute of Akron for the Refugee Support Services program.
This MOU is for the purpose of administering the Refugee Support Services program and the client referral process. The MOU will be in effect from September 1, 2026, through August 31, 2027. There is no cost associated with this MOU.

Travel (Kris Miller)

- One EMA/LEPC employee is seeking \$62.85 to evaluate a Full-Scale Exercise at FBC Chemical on September 19, 2026 in Medina County, OH.
- One EMA/LEPC employee is seeking \$101.00 to attend OH138 Master Scenario Events List Training on September 15, 2026 in Cuyahoga County, OH.
- Two IT employees seeking \$2,730.80 to attend ManageEngine User Conference on October 7-9, 2026 in Orlando, FL.
For training for current software Stark County IT currently utilizes.
- Three Job and Family Services employees seeking \$635.20 to attend OCSPA General Membership Meetings on September 17 & November 19, 2026 in Columbus, OH.
Revised
- One Job and Family Services employee seeking \$460.56 to attend ODJFS General Session on September 10-11, 2026 in Columbus, OH.
- Three Job & Family Services employees seeking \$545.20 to attend the 2026 OCSPA Metro meetings on Sept. 3 and Dec. 3, 2026 in Columbus, OH.
Revised
- Two Job and Family Services employees seeking \$281.52 to attend Ohio Youth Advisory Board Member Statewide Meeting on October 15, 2026 in Columbus, OH.
Revised
- One Job and Family Services employee seeking \$242.60 to attend Domestic Violence Symposium on August 26, 2026 in Columbus, OH.
- One Job and Family Services employee seeking \$472.62 to attend 2026 DCY Kids Summit on September 1-2, 2026 in Columbus, OH.
- One Job and Family Services employee seeking 197.00 to attend 3rd Quarter Attorney Networking on September 2, 2026 in Westerville, OH.

- One Veterans employee seeking \$188.95 to attend Assistant Director Retirement on September 2, 2026 in Cleveland, OH.

Engineer (Jennifer Odey)

- A Resolution approving a Professional Services Agreement with Palmer Engineering for the Stark County Engineer's 2026 Bridge Inspection Program. The County Engineer is requesting approval of a Professional Services Agreement with Palmer Engineering for the 2026 County Bridge Inspections which are required annually. The total fee for the bridge inspections will not exceed \$49,814.00.
- A Resolution approving an amendment to the bid specifications, plans, and advertisement to bid the Cleveland Ave/Everhard Rd Resurfacing Project, PID No. 117470.
The County Engineer is requesting the Board approve and authorize an amendment to the bid specs, plans, and advertisement to bid on the Cleveland Ave/Everhard Rd Resurfacing Project, PID #117470 to include paving, crack seal, Raised Pavement Markings, and new grates that need replaced on the project to adjust the cost estimate total amount of \$3,650,000.00 to \$3,705,000.00. Federal funds stay the same at a maximum of \$2,758,000 for construction, OPWC funds stay the same at a maximum of \$397,870.00, and any remaining balances to be paid through the 012 MVF.
- A Resolution approving Change Order No. 2 with TC Randal Construction, LLC for the Perry Dr. & Southway St. Signal Replacement Project.
The Stark County Engineer is requesting the Board of Commissioners to approve Change Order No. 2 with TC Randal Construction, LLC, for final quantity adjustments on the Perry Dr. & Southway St. Signal Replacement project. The total non-performance items for this change order is \$0.00 and the total additions for this change order are \$7,354.25. The original contract amount for this project was \$410,951.85 and the adjusted contract amount, factoring any previous change orders and the additions and non-performance items above, is \$423,408.10.

- A Resolution approving Change Order No. 1 with The Aero-Mark Company, LLC for the Stark County Engineer's T-2-2025 Long Line Pavement Marking Project.

The Stark County Engineer is requesting the Board of Commissioners to approve Change Order No. 1 with The Aero-Mark Company, LLC, for final quantity adjustments on the T-2-2025 Long Line Pavement Marking Project. The total non-performance items for this change order is \$0.00 and the total additions for this change order are \$3,166.85. The original contract amount for this project was \$100,241.24 and the adjusted contract amount, factoring any previous change orders and the additions and non-performance items above, is \$103,408.09.

- A Resolution approving Addendum No. 1 as part of the bid specifications, plans, and advertisement to bid the Whipple & 3rd/4th St Improvement Project, PID 118837.

The Board is requested to approve Addendum No. 1 as part of the bid specifications, plans and advertisement to bid for the Whipple & 3rd/4th St Improvement Project, PID 118837. It is necessary to change the originally submitted plans/specs to show the removal of SWPPP line item due to the amount of total area of earth disturbed as well as to answer a pre-bid question. The engineer's cost estimate remains unchanged.

Sanitary Engineer (Jennifer Odev)

- A Resolution approving Aqua Ohio water rates for direct serve customers within the Stark County Metropolitan Sewer District for the years 2027 through 2031.

A long-standing agreement between Aqua Ohio and the County requires periodic approval of rates at which Aqua sells water to customers in the County's sewer district. Rates are, by agreement, to be the same as Massillon City rates and this resolution approves rates for the years 2027 through 2031. This resolution excludes water sales to the County's Lake Township water system as it is under a separate agreement. The proposed rate schedule includes 5.7% increases over the five years just as included in the previous rate schedule. Additional rates and charges are included in the attached schedule. The Customer impact fees will be recalculated annually beginning November 2027 with the new fee taking effect on January 1, 2028. The Board is requested to approve the resolution setting the water rates as stated and authorize the President of the Board to sign the notification letter.

- A Resolution approving a request for reimbursement of damages from a sewer backup at 2051 Stockton Rd. NW and a Release of Claims.
The Board is requested to approve reimbursement due to a wastewater backup that occurred in the County's sanitary sewer resulting in a backup into the residence at 2051 Stockton Rd. NW, Massillon, Ohio. The homeowner and resident request a total payment of \$6,500 to reimburse for insurance deductible, damages, and repairs.
- A Resolution Approving Final Change Order No. 2 with S.E.T. Inc. for the Sanitary Engineer project P-619, Sanitary Sewer Repairs Phase IV.
The Sanitary Engineer is requesting the Board of Commissioners to approve and authorize the President of the Board to sign final Change Order No. 2 for project P-619, Sanitary Sewer Repairs Phase IV with SET Inc., for final quantity adjustments. The total non-performance items for this change order are (\$94,464.50) and the total additions for this change order are \$162,704.83. The original contract amount for this project was \$6,286,065.38 and the adjusted contract amount, factoring any previous change orders and the additions and non-performance items above, is \$6,426,854.08.

Regional Planning (Jennifer Odey)

- A Resolution approving a construction variance for the Carrington West No. 2 Allotment in Jackson Township.
The Subdivision Engineer has reviewed a request for a construction variance by the Developer representing Carrington West I, LLC, for temporary turnarounds not to be required for two temporary dead-end streets in the Carrington West No. 2 Allotment in Jackson Township. Recommended approval is based on the dead-end block lengths that are not excessive and the extra lot on each street is a temporary unbuildable lot. Jackson Township representatives have no objection to the omission of temporary turnarounds at these locations.

Commissioners (Jennifer Odey)

- A Resolution approving the Stark County Emergency Operations Plan and authorizing the signing of the Base Plan Promulgation Statement.
The Stark County EMA has developed the Emergency Operations Plan pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Sections 5502 and 3750 which is a statement of policy regarding emergency management and assigning of tasks and responsibilities during an emergency or disaster situation. The Board is requested to approve the Stark County Emergency Operations Plan and authorize itself to sign the Base Plan Promulgation Statement.

- A Resolution approving a Joint Funding Agreement with the United States Geological Survey to Maintain Various Gages that Assist with Giving Flood Warnings.
 The Board is requested to approve and authorize itself to sign the United States Geological Survey Joint Funding Agreement for Water Resource Investigations, providing operation and maintenance of three stream gages and one precipitation gage. The Agreement covers a 5-year period from October 1, 2026, to September 30, 2031. There are no USGS contributions to this agreement, and the total cost of the project is \$86,250.00. It is anticipated that the Board of Commissioners along with other local governments (North Canton, Louisville, and Plain Township) will commit a combined total of \$86,250.00 to gage maintenance over the period of this agreement.

- A Resolution entering into a cost sharing agreement with the City of Louisville, City of North Canton, and Plain Township for the joint funding of Stream Gage Maintenance of Nimishillen Creek Drainage Basin.
 The Board of Commissioners would commit \$43,125.00, and the local governments Louisville, North Canton, and Plain Twp. each commit \$14,375.00 for a combined total of \$86,250.00 to the Project.

- Board Notification of the filing, on August 13, 2026, of an Expedited Type 2 Annexation known as the "Bixler Farm Annexation" consisting of 178.0795 acres from Lake Township to the Village of Hartville.
 On August 13, 2026, a Type 2 annexation petition was filed with the Board of Commissioners to annex 178.0795 acres from Lake Township to the Village of Hartville and known as the "Bixler Farm Annexation". The petitioner will notify the municipality, township and others within five business days of the filing date. The municipality and township will file, within 25 business days of the filing date, their consent or objection to the annexation with the Board. A failure by the municipality or the township to file a response is presumed to be their consent. Receiving no objections, pursuant to the statute, the Board will grant the annexation at its next regular meeting. If the municipality or the township files an objection, the Board will review the petition on a limited basis within 30 to 45 days of the date of filing, and grant or deny the petition at its next regular session.

- A Resolution approving Addendum No. 1 as part of the bid specifications, plans, and advertisement to bid for the Stark County IT Building Modernization Project.
 The Board is requested to approve Addendum No. 1 as part of the bid specifications, plans and advertisement to bid for the Stark County IT Building Modernization Project. It is necessary to change the original submission to reflect the clarifications shown in Addendum No. 1. The consultant's cost estimate remains unchanged.

- A Resolution authorizing the President of the Board of Stark County Commissioners to sign a Professional Services Agreement with HEI Engineering Group, Inc. for the Stark County Fair Grounds Electrical Upgrades Project.

The Board of Commissioners is requested to authorize the President of the Board to sign a Professional Services Agreement on behalf of the Board with HEI Engineering Group Inc. for the Stark County Fair Grounds Electrical Upgrades Project. HEI submitted qualifications, in response to the County's Request for Qualifications and said submission was the highest ranked submission. This agreement with HEI is in an amount not to exceed \$217,588.00 to come from the General Fund.

VII. Commissioners Comments and Questions

VIII. Adjournment

STARK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING NOTICE

Richard Regula, President Bill Smith, Vice President Alan Harold, Member

Work sessions will be held in the board room every Monday at 10:00 A.M. and every Tuesday at 10:00 A.M.

DAY DATE	TIME	LOCATION	STAFF	DESCRIPTION
Mon 8/24	10:00	Board Room		Work Session (If Needed). In addition to attending in-person, the public may also Dial (667) 770-1465 Access Code 692732# (Listen Only)
Tues 8/25	10:00	Board Room		Work Session (If Needed). In addition to attending in-person, the public may also Dial (667) 770-1465 Access Code 692732# (Listen Only)
Wed 8/26	1:30	Board Room		Board of Commissioners Meeting. In addition to attending in-person, the public may also Dial (667) 770-1465 Access Code 692732# (Listen Only)