

STARK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA



JANUARY 28, 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 the 2026 Expense related to the 36 Month AVI-SPL Maintenance Agreement for County Audio/Video Conferencing Equipment-\$40,784.00
 - Commissioners: To appropriate funds for HCRP 2024 grant funds S-L-24-1DI-2-\$167,000.00
 - Commissioners: Appropriation for the Capital Purchase of a fully accessible transport van for the Veteran Transportation Program-\$106,900.00
 - Prosecutor: 2026 Appropriations Prosecutor's DTAC-\$8,500.00

- Sheriff: Appropriate Fund 342 for Stark County Sexual Assault Victim Notification Project-\$24,705.80
- Sheriff: Appropriate Fund 942 for 2025-DL-LEF-5818 Grant Award-\$165,105.53
- Budget Transfers:
 - Prosecutor: 2025 Q4 CAP-Fringe Salary to Benefits-\$12,728.65
 - Prosecutor: 2026 Q1 VOCA-Fringes (October-December 2025) from Salary to Benefits-\$49,335.04
- County Obligations Journal Entries:
 - Commissioners to Job & Family Services: January 2026 Mandated Share-\$95,611.75
 - Commissioners to Law Library: 2026 Budget Allocation-\$321,000.00
 - Commissioners to RPC: 2026 SCATS Local Dues-\$21,703.00
 - Commissioners to SCOG: January 2026 SCOG Share-\$46,309.99
 - Commissioners to Soil & Water Conservation: 2026 County MS4 MOU-\$5,000.00
- Intergovernmental Journal Entries:
 - Common Pleas Court to Sheriff: Reimburse Sheriff for STAR Program services-\$2,000.00
 - Homeless Crisis Response Program to Stark Mental Health & Recovery Services: FY 2024 HCRP S-L-24-1DI-2 request No. 11-\$549.71
 - Homeless Crisis Response Program to Stark Mental Health & Recovery Services: FY 2024 HCRP S-L-24-1DI-2 request No. 9-\$11.16
 - Homeless Crisis Response Program to Stark Mental Health & Recovery Services: FY 2024 HCRP S-L-24-1DI-2 request No. 10-\$727.28
 - ISP TCAP Fund 26-27 to Sheriff TCAP: 3rd Qtr. January-March 2026 TCAP Funding-\$75,000.00
 - Job & Family Services to Family Court: JFS Reimburse Family Court for November 2025 Title IV-D Invoice-\$1,595.87

- Job & Family Services to Family Court: JFS Reimburse Family Court for December 2025 Title IV-D Invoice-\$2,624.96
- Motor Vehicle & Gas Tax to Data Processing: December 2025 ENG IT Charges Invoice 2025-132-ITC-\$98.44
- Prosecutor to Facilities: January 2026 Parking in Lot 2 Space 22-\$35.00
- Prosecutor to Facilities: February 2026 Parking in Lot 2 Space 22-\$35.00
- Prior Year Journal Entries:
 - Building Inspection to Board of Health: October-December 2025 Rent, postage, electric, gas, janitorial and trash-\$8,320.63
 - DTAC Tax Liens to Prosecuting Attorney: 2025 Q4 Tax Lien Salary, Medic, PERS and Health-\$10,116.64
 - Job & Family Services to Commissioners: JFS December 2025 Unemployment Claim-\$1,459.42
 - Prosecuting Attorney to Prosecuting Attorney: 2025 Q4 Land Bank Salary, Medical, PERS and Health-\$30,844.13
 - Prosecuting Attorney to Prosecuting Attorney: CAP Q4 (Oct-Dec 2025) Salary, Medical, PERS, Medic & Health-\$44,068.25
 - Prosecuting Attorney to Prosecuting Attorney: DTAC Q4 (Oct-Dec 2025) Salary, Medical, PERS, Medic & Health-\$85,366.36
 - Prosecuting Attorney to Prosecuting Attorney: VOCA Q1 (Oct-Dec 2025) Salary, Medical, PERS, Medic & Health-\$127,141.42
 - Sanitary Engineer to Commissioners: Sanitary Unemployment December 2025-\$86.46
 - Veterans to Telecommunications: November 2025 Verizon-\$123.81

Award Bid (Kris Miller)

- Engineer: A Resolution to Award Bid No. 2995 for mowing services to low bidder: Quick Mow Inc. for 2026 in the amount of \$115,730.60 with an option to renew for an additional year.
- Engineer: A Resolution to Award bid No. 2996 for Skytrim and Vegetation Removal services to the lowest and best bidder: Wildfire Pipeline Contractors in the amount of \$191,637.00.

Discuss and Consider Approval (Kris Miller)

- Commissioners: A Resolution authorizing Membership for the Board of Stark County Commissioners to join the Cooperative Purchasing Program called Equalis.
- Job and Family Services: A Resolution approving an Agreement with Dimensional Phases for child placement and related services.
This agreement will run from January 25, 2026, and continue through March 31, 2027.
- Job and Family Services: A Resolution approving an Agreement with UMCH Family Services for child placement and related services.
This agreement will run from February 1, 2026, and continue through March 31, 2027.
- Job and Family Services: A Resolution approving an Agreement with Cross Thread Solutions, LLC for language translation and interpretation services.
This agreement will run from February 1, 2026, to January 31, 2027, and the amount shall not exceed Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) during the term of this agreement.
- Job and Family Services: A Resolution approving an Affiliation Agreement with Youngstown State University for student field education experience in Social Work.
This Agreement will provide an opportunity for students of Youngstown State University to gain field experience in Social Work by observation or performance under supervision. The Agreement is for a term of three (3) years and will run from January 28, 2026, through January 27, 2029.
- Job and Family Services: A Resolution approving the Stark County Child Abuse and Neglect Memorandum of Understanding.
This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is an agreement between the agency and community partners that delineates roles and responsibilities for referring, reporting, investigating, and prosecuting child abuse and neglect cases. This MOU is effective from December 3, 2025, through December 31, 2027.

- Job and Family Services: A Resolution approving a Memorandum of Understanding between Stark County Job and Family Services and the Ohio Department of Administrative Services for participation in the Cost-Per-Copy Program.
The Cost-Per-Copy Program will allow the agency to lease six (6) new copiers for five (5) years with no lease or maintenance payments. The cost per copy price will range from \$.009106 to \$.026476 and will remain fixed for five (5) years. The Memorandum of Understanding will be effective upon approval of the Board of Stark County Commissioners.
- Sanitary Engineer: A Resolution approving a one year agreement with PPI Graphics to create, print, and mail sewer bills in the amount of \$54,724.50 effective 3/1/26-2/28/27.
- Sheriff: A Resolution authorizing the Stark County Deputies Association to purchase retired Deputy Dave Meyers' service weapon for the fair market value of \$240.00.
Serial # FBW407US
Asset # 755407
- Sheriff: A Resolution declaring Stark County Commissioner Property as excess property and authorizing it to be sold on Govdeals.
2014 Ford Police Interceptor – VIN # 1FM5K8AR4EGB02391
- Sheriff: A Resolution rescinding a past award resolution and adopting a replacement Resolution authorizing the signing of an updated award agreement to provide medical healthcare for the Stark County Jail inmates.
At the time the Board adopted the previous resolution, the Sheriff's office had determined a third midnight nurse was needed instead of the original two that were proposed, but an updated pricing sheet had not been corrected to reflect that change.

Requisitions (Kris Miller)

- Auditor: 2026 OneSolution Maintenance-Vendor: Central Square-\$124,597.88
- Clerk of Courts: 2027 OCCA Dues-Vendor: Ohio Clerk of Courts Association-\$4,000.00
- Clerk of Courts: Postage for Meter Account# 33861329-Vendor: Pitney Bowes-Reserve Account-\$120,000.00
- Commissioners: 36 Month Maintenance Agreement for County Audio/Video Conferencing Equipment-Vendor: AVI-SPL-\$40,784.00

- Job & Family Services: 2026 HR Dues-Vendor: Ohio Department of Job & Family Services-\$100.00
- Sanitary Engineer: Two (2) 2026 F150 Supercab 4WD Short Bed Pickup Trucks @ \$53,000.00 each-Vendor: Liberty Ford-\$106,000.00
State Term Contract #RSI025487
- Sheriff: Installation and maintenance of the Sheriff's Enterprise Law Enforcement Records Management System-Vendor: Tyler Technologies Inc.-\$375,000.00
- Sheriff: Medical services for the Stark County Jail-Vendor: Armor Health of Stark County LLC.-\$3,000,000.00
- Sheriff: Expenses for mental health services for the Stark County Jail-Vendor: Armor Health of Stark County LLC.-\$600,000.00
- Veterans: Purchase one (1) Light Transit Vehicle-Honeycomb (LTV-HC)-Vendor: Western Reserve Coach Sales-\$106,900.00
Purchased via DOT State Contract #248-24

Non-Encumbered Expenses (Kris Miller)

- Facilities: Pest Control monthly service charge-Vendor: Stauffs Corp dba Aid Pest Control-\$125.00
No open PO
- Facilities: Stark County Office Bldg-4th Floor receptacle power-Vendor: Hilscher-Clarke Electric Co. Inc.-\$461.20
- Probate Court: Staples Invoices-Vendor: Staples-\$856.15
PO had insufficient funds
- Probate Court: Expert Evaluation-Vendor: Psychological & Family Consultants, Inc.-\$300.00
- Probate Court: Attorney fees-Vendor: Attorney Laurie McDonnell-\$3,035.08
PO had insufficient funds

Change Orders (Kris Miller)

- Commissioners: Additional position at STARCOM in 2025-Vendor: Motorola Solutions-Original amount \$149,688.00+\$4,750.00=\$154,438.00

- Commissioners: Phase 1 & Phase 2 asbestos site assessment, sampling, laboratory analysis and reporting for Phase 1 & Phase 2 of building cleaning- Vendor: M & R Industries-Original amount
\$77,650.00+\$7,850.00=\$85,500.00

Travel (Kris Miller)

- One Job & Family Services employee seeking \$728.52 to attend a PCSAO Executive Membership meeting in Columbus on March 5-6, 2026.
- One Job & Family Services employee seeking \$688.35 to attend three 2026 ONCAC meetings (Feb 13; April 1; May 8) in Columbus, OH.
- Three Job & Family Services employees seeking \$1,054.00 to attend four 2026 OCSOA General Membership meetings (Feb 19; May 21; Sept 17; Nov 19) in Columbus, OH.
- One Sanitary Engineer employee seeking a total of \$299 to attend a FMLA Training Seminar on March 26, 2026 in Canton, OH.

Human Resources (Michael Kimble)

- A Resolution Approving Addendums to the Mutual Health Services Plan Document

Engineer (Jennifer Odey)

- A Resolution to Proceed with the County Bridge Improvement of the Cherry Road NW Bridges (PE-7-20 and PE-7-21) Project, PID No. 121152.
The Stark County Engineer's Office recommends the rehabilitation of two existing 4-span steel beam bridges on Cherry Road NW (Bridge PE-7-20 and PE-7-21). Work also includes intersection, roadway, and guardrail improvements. The estimated cost of this project is \$3,800,000.00 to be funded from Federal LMB funds at 95% at a maximum of \$3,300,000.00 and an OPWC Grant up to a maximum of \$1,100,000 for the local share. The remainder of the funding comes from the 012 MV Fund.

- A Resolution approving bid specifications, plans, and advertisement to bid the Cherry Rd Bridge Rehabilitation Projects, PID No. 121152.

The Board of Commissioners is requested to approve bid specifications, plans and advertisement to bid for the Cherry Rd Bridge Rehabilitation Projects, PID No. 121152. The total engineering estimate of probable construction cost for this project is \$3,800,000.00. The Stark County Engineer plans to hire a consultant to supervise and inspect some of the construction activities. The funding for this project will come from Federal LMB funds at 95% at a maximum of \$3,300,000.00. An OPWC grant will also be used for the local share totaling \$1,100,000.00. All remaining balances will be paid by the 012 Motor Vehicle Fund.
- A Resolution approving the bid specifications, plans, and advertisement to bid the H-1-2026 Chip Seal Resurfacing Project.

The Board is requested to approve bid specifications, plans and advertisement to bid the H-1-2026 Chip Seal Resurfacing Project. Total engineering estimate of probable construction cost for base bid on this project is \$1,128,507.11. The funding for this project will come from the 012 Motor Vehicle Fund.
- A Resolution Authorizing Change Order No. 1 with Northstar Asphalt, Inc. for the H-3-2024 Hot Mix Asphalt Resurfacing Project.

The Stark County Engineer is requesting the Board of Commissioners approve Change Order No. 1, with Northstar Asphalt Inc., for final quantity adjustments on the H-3-2024 Hot Mix Asphalt Resurfacing Project. The total non-performance items for this change order are \$186,347.80 and the total additions for this change order are \$255,136.71. The original contract amount for this project was \$3,745,894.53 and the adjusted contract amount, factoring any previous change orders and the additions and non-performance items above, is \$3,814,683.44.
- A Resolution accepting the work performed by Strawser Construction, Inc. under the H-4-2025 Micro Surfacing Project and authorizing the release of the Project Retainage.

The H-4-2025 Micro Surfacing Project is fully completed, inspected, and approved. It is the recommendation of the County Engineer that this Board adopt a Resolution of Acceptance, and authorize the retainage be released and paid to the contractor, Strawser Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$14,000.00.

- A Resolution of Acceptance and Authorization of payment of retainage on the Beaumont Ave Bridge Replacement Project PID 113498 to Black Horse Bridge Construction, Inc.

The Beaumont Ave Bridge Replacement Project PID 113498 is fully completed, inspected, and approved. It is the recommendation of the County Engineer that this Board adopt a Resolution of Acceptance, and authorize the retainage be released and paid to the contractor, Black Horse Bridge Construction, Inc. No retainage was kept for this project, due to being a Federal project.

Sanitary Engineer (Jennifer Odey)

- A Resolution Authorizing the combining of Sanitary Engineer projects P-655 and P-656 into Project No. P-655.

On November 26, 2025, the Board approved preparation of plans, specifications and estimates of cost for Construction projects P-655 Willowdell-Middle Branch Creek Area Sewer Rehabilitation in Plain Township and P-656 Collection System Repairs in Perry Township. As the work to be performed under these two contracts is similar, the Sanitary Engineer is proposing to combine the two projects into one in the hope of getting better bid prices and reducing the volume of paperwork required for two projects.

- A Resolution Authorizing the Preparation of Detailed Plans, Specifications, Estimates of Cost, and Tentative Assessments for the Construction of Project 654, Gambrinus Siphon and Vault Replacement Project in the City of Canton in the Stark County Metropolitan Sewer District.

The Stark County Sanitary Engineer is requesting the Board authorize the preparation of plans and specifications, estimate of cost and tentative assessments for the Sanitary Engineers project P-654 Gambrinus Siphon and Vault Replacement. This infrastructure was constructed in or about 1963. Severe corrosion is evident throughout the inlet and outlet structures and replacement is necessary before it fails.

- A Resolution accepting the work performed by Fechko Excavating, LLC under the P-604 Justus/Harmon Utility Improvements Project and authorizing the release of Project Retainage.

It is the recommendation of the Sanitary Engineer that this Board adopt a Resolution of Acceptance, and authorize the retainage be released and paid to the contractor, Fechko Excavating, LLC. in the amount of \$326,967.25. All work under project P-604 has been successfully completed and approved with a maintenance bond in place.

- A Resolution accepting the work performed by Fechko Excavating, LLC under the P-625 Meadow Grove Allotment Sewer Project, and authorizing the release of Project Retainage.

It is the recommendation of the Sanitary Engineer that this Board adopt a Resolution of Acceptance, and authorize the retainage be released and paid to the contractor, Fechko Excavating, LLC. in the amount of \$134,139.55. All work under project P-625 Meadow Grove sewer project has been successfully completed and approved with a maintenance bond in place.

Regional Planning (Jennifer Odey)

- A Resolution Establishing dates, times, and locations for Public Hearings to receive citizen comment on the FY 2026 Stark County Community Development Block Grant Program and the FY 2026 HOME Investment Partnerships Program.

Regional Planning Commission is requesting the Board establish multiple public hearings to receive citizen comment on the Stark County FY 2026 CDBG Program and the FY 2026 HOME Program.

•FY2026 CDBG and HOME Action Plan: March 3, 2026 at 7:00pm.

Hearing to be held at the Stark County Regional Planning Commission conference room, 201 Third Street NE, Suite 201, Canton, OH 44702.

•FY2026 CDBG and HOME Action Plan: March 10, 2026 at 10:00am.

Hearing to be held in the Board Room at the Stark County Office Building, 110 Central Plaza South, 2nd Floor, Suite 240, Canton, OH 44702.

•FY2025 CDBG and HOME Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER): September 8, 2026 at 7:00pm. This hearing will be in the Stark County Regional Planning Commission conference room, 201 Third Street NE, Suite 201, Canton, OH 44702.

- A Resolution approving a second time extension for the General Performance Bond for the Heritage Park Allotment in Lake Township.

The Subdivision Engineer is requesting the Board of Commissioners to approve a six-month time extension on the general performance bond for Heritage Park Allotment in Lake Township. The Developer has made progress with the work on this project but was unable to provide final grading and seeding that is weather dependent and cannot be done this time of year. The six-month time extension of the general performance bond from December 14, 2025, to June 14, 2026 will allow the finishing work to be completed.

- A Resolution releasing the General Performance Bond and accepting a Maintenance Bond for the Ridgewood Allotment No. 2 in Perry Township.

The Subdivision Engineer is requesting the Board of Commissioners to approve a resolution releasing the General Performance Bond and accepting a Maintenance Bond for the Ridgewood Allotment No. 2 in Perry Township.

Commissioners (Jennifer Odey)

- A Resolution establishing a date & time for a public hearing on a proposed road vacation petition received from the Lake Township Board of Trustees.
A petition to vacate 96.81' by 40' portion of Sylvan Ave. NW in Lake Township was filed by the Lake Township Board of Trustees. The Clerk of the Board shall notify by regular mail the landowners abutting the road or portion of the road proposed to be vacated and place a notice in the newspaper of general circulation in the county once a week for two consecutive weeks prior to the hearing. A viewing is not required when a road vacation petition is filed by the Board of Township Trustees.
- A Resolution accepting the resignation of Christopher Newlon and approving the appointment of Robert Lavery to fill Mr. Newlon's unexpired term on the Stark County Public Defender Commission.
The Stark County Public Defender Commission recommends accepting Christopher Newlon's resignation and appointing retired Judge Robert Lavery to complete Mr. Newlon's unexpired term commencing on the Board's approval and extending until February 8, 2028.
- A Resolution making an Appointment to the Stark Area Regional Transit Authority Board.
The three-year term will begin January 31, 2026 and expire January 30, 2029.
- A Resolution approving an Amendment to the subgrant agreement with ICAN Housing for the Homeless Crisis Response Program (HCRP) Grant S-L-24-1DL-2.
The Board is requested to approve and authorize itself to sign a subgrant agreement amendment with ICAN Housing for the Homeless Crisis Response Program (HCRP) Grant S-L-24-1DL-2. The Board previously approved the grant agreement with Ohio Development Services Agency for this program on June 12, 2024. The amendment reduces the Financial (Rental) Assistance to \$94,470.00 and increases the Vehicle Expenses & Fuel to \$1,050.00 and Other to \$13,469.00. Leaving Salaries/Wages & Payroll, Benefits, and the total amount of the grant unchanged.

- A Resolution approving an Amendment to the Subgrant Agreement with the Alliance for Children and Families for the Homeless Crisis Response Program (HCRP) Grant S-L-24-1DL-2.

The Board is requested to approve and authorize itself to sign a subgrant agreement amendment with the Alliance for Children and Families for the Homeless Crisis Response Program (HCRP) Grant S-L-24-1DL-2. The Board previously approved the grant agreement with Ohio Development Services Agency for this program on June 12, 2024. The amendment increases the Financial (Rental) Assistance to \$113,500.00 and reduces the Vehicle Expenses & Fuel to \$1,500.00, Salaries/Wages & Payroll Taxes to \$15,000.00, and Benefits to \$1,800.00. The budget line item for Other and the total amount of the grant remain unchanged.

- A Resolution approving Amendment No. 5 to the Architect Agreement with K2M Design, Inc. for the Jail Renovation Construction Project.

The Board is requested to approve and authorize itself to sign Amendment No. 5 to the Architect Agreement with K2M Design, Inc. The Architect's Consultants: HEI Engineering is to design the new Boilers to service the 1965 building left after the wings are demolished for a fixed fee of \$15,000. HOK is to submit the design of upgraded jail security system to tie the old and new jail security system into one security system, due to the existing electronic devices being outdated and not available for updates, for a not to exceed amount of \$45,000.00 The revised Amount is an increase of \$60,000.00.

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 2/02	10:00	Board Room		Work Session. Sanitary Engineer-Rule Amendments; Stark Workforce Development Board Report to the Community. In addition to attending in-person, the public may also Dial (667) 770-1465 Access Code 692732# (Listen Only)
Tues 2/03	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 2/04	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)