

Stark County Commissioners Board of Commissioners Minutes

August 26, 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: _____

Distribution: Journal/File

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 Social Security.

V. Approve Minutes

August 19, 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:
 - Coroner: Service to Supply-\$5,000.00
 - EMA: Benefits to Capital-\$10,000.00
 - Prosecutor: 2026 Q2 CAP-FRIDGE from Salary to Benefits-\$39,535.83

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

- Intergovernmental Journal Entries:
 - Common Pleas Court to Sheriff: Reimburse Sheriff July 2026 Law Enforcement Services-\$18,076.35
 - Common Pleas Court to Sheriff: Reimburse Sheriff July 2026 Bow Building Law Enforcement Services-\$16,595.04
 - Job & Family Services to Commissioners: August & September Cornerstone rent-\$6,801.80

- Job & Family Services to Commissioners: August & September Midtown rent-\$57,342.16
- Job & Family Services to Data Processing: JFS IT Charge 2026-71-ITC-\$92.92
- Job & Family Services to Family Court: JFS Reimburse Sheriff January 2026 Title IV-D-\$8,223.94
- Job & Family Services to Job & Family Services: August 2026 Child Support State Match-\$283,825.25
- Prosecutor to Facilities: Prosecutor September 2026 parking in lot 2 space 22-\$35.00
- Sanitary Engineer to Commissioners: OpenGov cost share year 1-\$33,321.65
- Stark County Mental Health & Addiction Recovery to Sheriff: CIT 1st Quarter July-September 2026-\$3,750.00

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 & Consider (Kris Miller)

- Sheriff: A Resolution Authorizing the purchase of a SkidCar training system through Skid Car Systems Inc., which has been determined to be the Sole Source manufacturer of these systems, in the amount of \$97,085.00

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

Change Orders (Kris Miller)

- Commissioners: 2026 Indigent Transcripts-Variou s Vendor-Original amount
\$100,000.00+\$8,875.00=\$108,875.00

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

Requisitions (Kris Miller)

- Sanitary Engineer: Sewage Disposal Agreement-Vendor: Canton City
Utilities-\$4,000,000.00
- Sanitary Engineer: Chemicals used at Waste Water treatment-Vendor: Bonded
Chemicals Inc.-\$100,000.00
- Sheriff: Skidcar System Total Basic Type B Patrol Drift car lift-Vendor:
Skidcar System Inc.-\$97,085.00
Sole Source - See Authorizing Resolution

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)

- Sheriff: Alarm & Detection Labor-Vendor: Johnson Controls-\$1,444.00
- Veterans: Office Supplies-Vendor: Staples-\$341.00

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)

- Two 911 employees seeking a total of \$1602.72 to attend the Joint Ohio APCO-NENA State Conference on September 13-16, 2026 in Lewis Center, OH.
- Two Engineer employees seeking \$150.00 to attend training on September 21-22, 2026 Columbus, OH.
- One Job and Family Services employee seeking \$238.48 to attend PCSAO Annual Conference on October 2nd, 2026 in Columbus OH.
- One Job and Family Services employee seeking \$262.44 to attend Aetna Meeting on September 10th, 2026 in New Albany, OH.
- Three Job and Family Services employees seeking \$223.28 to attend UX Team Information Sessions for TPOCs and LSCs on Oct. 7th, 2026 in Akron, OH.
- Three Job and Family Services employees seeking \$145.00 to attend UX Team Information Sessions for TPOCs and LSCs on Oct. 6, 2026 in Cambridge, OH.
- One Sanitary Engineer employee seeking \$119.28 to attend a Ohio EPA Water Reclamation I Exam on September 19th, 2026 in Akron, OH.
- One Sanitary Engineer employee seeking \$340.00 to attend a Compliance & Water Webinar on October 6-7, 2026 through remote attendance.
- Two Sanitary Engineer employees seeking \$450.00 to attend a EPA Wastewater Process Workshop on September 15-16, 2026 in North Canton, OH.
- One Veterans employee seeking \$547.73 to attend 4th Annual Free Seniors Tech Conference September 1-2, 2026 in Dublin, 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

Commissioners (Brant Luther)

- A Resolution Recommending Saturday, October 31, 2026 between 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. for the 2026 County-Wide Halloween Observance.

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 (Chris Nichols)

- A Resolution Authorizing the Signing & Filing of both the Stark County and Stark County District Library 2027 Alternative Tax Budgets with the Stark County Auditor.

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

Engineer (Jennifer Odey)

- A Resolution approving bid specifications, plans, and advertisement to bid the T-2-2026 642 Long-Line Pavement Marking 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 awarding the Stark County Engineer's contract for the Whipple Ave & 3rd/4th St Improvement Project, PID 117470 Base Bid be awarded to Northstar Asphalt, Inc of Dalton, Ohio in the amount of \$1,259,577.50.

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 an agreement with the City of Canton for the Cherry Ave. SE and Central Ave. SE 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 authorizing the release of a maintenance bond for a private sanitary sewer Extension No. 2023.05 and assigning the responsibility of maintenance to the Stark County Metropolitan Sewer District.

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)

- Board Notification of the filing, on August 19, 2026, of an Expedited Type 2 Annexation known as the "Rama Tika Area Annexation" consisting of 8.3493 acres from Perry Township to the City of Massillon.

Notification Only

- A Resolution Authorizing the Exercise of the Second and Final, One-Year Renewal Option of a Commercial Lease Agreement between the Board of Stark County Commissioners and Canton Sign Company for space at 497 Walnut Avenue NE known as PN 293457.

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 Addendum No. 2 as part of the bid specifications, plans, and advertisement to bid for the Stark County IT Building Modernization 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. 4 for the Stark County Office Building 3rd Floor RPC Interior Renovations 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

Ohio Division of Liquor Control (Jennifer Odey)

- A Resolution indicating the Board of Commissioners is not requesting a hearing regarding the transfer of a liquor license in Jackson Township.
ADAPT III, LLC.
SCRAMBLERS
4345 Belden Village Mall, Jackson Twp, Canton, OH 44718
Permit Class: D-2

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 August 31, 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)

Monday September 1, 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)

Wednesday September 2, 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 pursuant to O.R.C. 121.22 (G) (1) regarding the appointment of a public official

Commissioner Harold moved, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to adjourn into Executive Session Pursuant to O.R.C. 121.22 (G)(1) to discuss the appointment of a public official with County Administrator Brant Luther and Budget Director Chris Nichols at 1:46 PM.

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

The Commissioners came out of Executive Session at 2:18 PM

IX. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 2:18 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