

**COUNTY OF SUMMIT**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**February 13, 2023**

Danielle Thompson from CareSource and Dr. Fannie Brown gave Council a brief presentation on the local nonprofit Forever R Children's work in the community and its creation of a mobile shower bus.

Donna Skoda from Summit County Public Health updated Council on COVID-19.

A Caucus was held prior to the meeting to discuss Agenda items. Council members Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite were present.

The following items were addressed before Council at the Caucus:

- 2023-032 David Burden from the Veteran's Service Commission addressed Council on this first reading passage request.
- 2023-033 Lance Reed and Pete Zeigler addressed Council on this first reading passage request.
- 2023-034 J. Lamonica from the Summit County Fiscal Office addressed Council on this first reading passage request.
- 2023-035 Deborah Matz from the Law Department addressed Council on this first reading passage request.

M-020-2023 Judge Kathryn Michael from the Akron Municipal Court addressed Council.

The Council Regular Meeting was called to order at 05:10 PM in Council Chambers.

ROLL CALL- Present: Mrs. Darrow, Mr. DeVitis, Ms. Dickinson, Mr. Donofrio, Mrs. McKenney, Mrs. Rodgers, Mr. Schmidt, Ms. Sims, Ms. Walters, Ms. Wiedie Higham, Mr. Wilhite; Absent:

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MINUTES FOR APPROVAL: Mr. Wilhite moved to approve the minutes of the regular Council meeting(s) held January 30, 2023.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

The Minutes were approved 11-0.

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ANNOUNCEMENT OF GENERAL INTEREST:

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ANNOUNCEMENT FROM EXECUTIVE:

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ANNOUNCEMENT OF OFFICEHOLDERS:

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## **MOTIONS FOR COUNCIL**

**M-019-2023 A Motion of Council confirming the appointment of Dawn Boudrie, as Alternate to Cassandra Holtzman, to the Child Fatality Review Board.**

Movant - Ms. Sims

Ms. Walters moved to approve.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Motion M-019-2023 was approved.

**M-020-2023 A Motion of Council confirming the appointment of Judge Kathryn Michael (replacing Judge Joy Oldfield) and Judge David Hamilton (replacing Judge Ron Cable), to the Criminal Justice Advisory Board.**

Movant - Ms. Sims

Ms. Dickinson moved to approve.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Motion M-020-2023 was approved.

## **FIRST READINGS**

2023-032     **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a marketing agreement with Alliance Media, as a Best Practical Source, for the Veterans Service Commission 2023 Advertising Campaign, for a one-year term, from 2/15/23 through 2/14/24, with four options to renew for an additional one-year term, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00, for the Veterans Service Commission, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net

Mr. Donofrio moved to suspend Council Rule 8.01 (A): the requirement of three readings at a Regular Council meeting.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Mr. Donofrio moved to adopt.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Resolution 2023-032 was adopted.

2023-033     **A Resolution pursuant to Section 177.18 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit authorizing the disposal by the Executive of Election System and Software (“ES&S”) voting equipment, excluding three ES&S 850 high-speed scanners, and authorizing the Executive to execute documents concerning the same, for the Board of Elections, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net

Mr. Donofrio moved to suspend Council Rule 8.01 (A): the requirement of three readings at a Regular Council meeting.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Mr. Donofrio moved to adopt.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Resolution 2023-033 was adopted.

2023-034 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with Tyler Technologies, Inc., as a Sole Source, subject to the approval of the Information Technology Board, for annual software support and maintenance fees for the Eagle Recorder software application with Fraud Guard for the Fiscal Officer's Recorder's Division, for a five-year term, in an amount not to exceed \$760,318.00, for the Fiscal Officer and the Office of Information Technology, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net

Mr. Donofrio moved to suspend Council Rule 8.01 (A): the requirement of three readings at a Regular Council meeting.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Mr. Donofrio moved to adopt.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Resolution 2023-034 was adopted.

2023-035 **A Resolution appropriating funds in order to meet projected expenditures for the balance of 2023 as set forth in Exhibit A, for the Executive's Department of Finance and Budget, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net

Mr. Donofrio moved to suspend Council Rule 8.01 (A): the requirement of three readings at a Regular Council meeting.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Mr. Donofrio moved to adopt.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Resolution 2023-035 was adopted.

2023-036     **A Resolution declaring a repair to Pump Station #42, located in Twinsburg Township, in Council District 1, an emergency pursuant to Section 177.07(a)(3) of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit, and confirming the award by the Board of Control of a purchase order with Pump Systems LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$84,990.00, for an emergency repair to the pump station, for the Executive’s Department of Sanitary Sewer Services, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net

2023-037     **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a renewal (third of four) of a professional service contract with Sadler-NeCamp Financial Services, Inc. dba Proware, as a Best Practical Source, for case management system software support and maintenance services, for a one-year term, from 1/1/23 through 12/31/23, for an amount not to exceed \$204,075.00, for the Court of Common Pleas-General Division, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net

2023-038     **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute an intergovernmental agreement with the University of Akron, to provide up to two beds at the Jail for University of Akron prisoners, for a five-year term, from 1/1/23 through 12/31/27, with four options to renew for an additional five-year term, at a rate of \$131.74 per day per bed for the first year, with a rate increase not to exceed 2.5% per year, for the Executive and the Sheriff, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net

2023-039     **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control, subject to the approval of the Information Technology Board, of a purchase contract with BeInCourt to provide annual maintenance with on-site support, for the Criminal Justice Virtual Courtroom Project, for the term of 7/1/23 through 6/30/24, for a total cost not to exceed \$345,142.32, with an option to renew for an additional one-year term, for the Executive’s Department of Public Safety, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net

- 2023-040     **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a purchase contract with Atlantic Emergency Solutions for sixteen (16) self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) units, twenty (20) SCBA facepieces, forty-two (42) SCBA bottles and accessories for the Summit County Type I HazMat Team, for a total cost not to exceed \$169,090.00, for the Executive’s Department of Public Safety, Emergency Management Agency, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro  
Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net
- 2023-041     **A Resolution declaring the month of March 2023 as Women’s History Month in Summit County, recognizing the women of America, the achievements they have made, and the struggles they have faced and continue to face today, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro  
Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net
- 2023-042     **A Resolution declaring the month of March 2023 as Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month in Summit County, recognizing people with developmental disabilities for their contributions to our community and their perseverance in breaking down barriers, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro  
Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net
- 2023-043     **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with Ward & Associates for appraisal services for the 2023 Triennial Reappraisal for the valuation of all land and buildings for all commercial, industrial, and exempt and public utilities real estate in Summit County, for the 2023 real estate tax year, in an amount not to exceed \$87,500.00, for the Fiscal Officer, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro  
Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net

**ROUTINE LEGISLATION UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO BY COMMITTEE**

2023-015     **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to enter into a Local Public Agency agreement with the State of Ohio, through the Department of Transportation, for the South Main Street Bridge over Nimisila Creek Rehabilitation Project located in the City of New Franklin, in Council District 7, for an estimated total cost of \$762,000.00, with the Department of Transportation providing County Engineer’s Association of Ohio Local Bridge Program funds up to \$692,000.00 to cover up to 80% of the project costs, with the Engineer being responsible for the matching funds, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net

2023-016     **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to enter into an agreement for the acquisition of a standard highway easement at 3850 Granger Road, located in Bath Township, in Council District 5, in a total amount not to exceed \$5,610.00, as part of the Granger Road Bridge Replacement Project for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net

2023-017     **A Resolution authorizing appropriation proceedings for standard highway easements over the real property known as Parcel No. 0405384, Parcel No. 0404880, and Parcel No. 0402338 needed for the Granger Road Bridge over Yellow Creek Replacement Project located in Bath Township, in Council District 5, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net

2023-018     **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a construction contract with CATTS Construction, Inc. for the Christman Road Bridge Replacement Project, located in the City of Green, in Council District 8, for a total amount not to exceed \$1,181,236.23, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net

2023-019 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a renewal (second and final) of a professional service contract with Quality Control Inspection, Inc., as a Best Practical Source, for construction inspection services, for a one-year term, from 1/1/23 through 12/31/23, in an amount not to exceed \$90,000.00, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net

2023-020 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a construction contract with the Petty Group, LLC for the Medical Examiner's Office Fence Installation Project, located in the City of Akron, in Council District 4, in an amount not to exceed \$242,500.00, for the Executive's Department of Administrative Services-Physical Plants Division, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net

2023-021 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with Oriana House, Inc. for community corrections services for a one-year term, from 1/1/23 through 12/31/23, in an amount not to exceed \$8,080,912.97, with four options to renew for an additional one-year term, for the Executive's Department of Public Safety, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net

Ms. Dickinson moved for a second reading.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Committee Second Readings

2023-022 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to settle any or all claims, and to execute any corresponding settlement agreements, in litigation titled County of Summit, Ohio v Express Scripts, Inc., et al, 23-op-45001-DAP, before Judge Dan Aaron Polster in the United States District Court, Northern District of Ohio, for the Executive's Department of Law, Insurance and Risk Management, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net



- 2023-023     **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute a grant agreement with the University of Akron in an amount not to exceed \$272,527.00, from the Opiate Litigation settlement funds, to create a single multi-year strategic plan of systemic, top-down organizational changes within county agencies to implement trauma informed care for a one-year period, with two options to renew for an additional one-year term, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro  
Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net
- 2023-024     **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with Unite USA, Inc. (“Unite Us”) for a data sharing platform for a comprehensive solution for care coordination for individuals with substance use disorder, subject to ratification by the Information Technology Board, for a five-year term with the option to renew for an additional five-year term, for a total cost not to exceed \$5,325,000.00, for the Executive, the Opiate Abatement Advisory Council and the Key Stakeholders Group, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro  
Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net
- 2023-026     **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute grant agreements with various Summit County nonprofit organizations and State mandated entities, in a total amount not to exceed \$861,900.00, for the year 2023, as set forth in Exhibit A, for the Executive’s Department of Finance and Budget, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro  
Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net
- 2023-027     **A Resolution authorizing various County offices to make expenditures, in a total combined amount not to exceed \$65,000.00, for hospitality items for events to be held in 2023, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro  
Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net
- 2023-028     **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a purchase contract with FairlawnGig., as a Best Practical Source, for high speed internet service to support the virtual court project, for a one-year term, from 1/1/23 to 12/31/23, in an amount not to exceed \$195,600.00, subject to approval by the Information Technology Board, for the Office of Information Technology, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro  
Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net

2023-029     **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a purchase contract with Powerschool/PeopleAdmin, Inc., as a Best Practical Source, for the People Admin HRIS system for a one-year term, from 3/18/23 to 3/17/24, in an amount not to exceed \$80,213.83, for the Executive’s Human Resources Department and the Office of Information Technology, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, [kstarks@summitoh.net](mailto:kstarks@summitoh.net)

## **SECOND READINGS**

2023-025     **A Resolution adopting the Capital Improvements Program for 2023-2028 for the County of Summit and appropriating funds as set forth in Exhibit A, for the balance of projects in the 2023 Capital Improvement Plan, for the Executive’s Department of Finance and Budget, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, [kstarks@summitoh.net](mailto:kstarks@summitoh.net)

Committee Second Readings

Presentation of New Business:

Presentation of Petitions to address Council:

**Executive Session**

Motion By:

Seconded By:

Motion Type:

For:

Against:

Abstain:

Absent:

Outcome:

Call To Order:

Reason:

Adjournment: Council adjourned at 5:20 pm. The next regular meeting will be held March 6, 2023 at 4:30 pm

All deliberations concerning official business and formal actions by this County Council were conducted in an open public meeting this 13th day of February, 2023.

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CLERK OF COUNCIL

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PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL