

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS:**

Christine Higham              P    
John Donofrio                  P    
Rita Darrow                   P    
Jeff Wilhite                   P    
Bethany McKenney           P  

Scheduled Time: 4:30 PM

Call-to-order: 4:37 PM

Adjourned: 4:43 PM

**COUNTY OF SUMMIT  
PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MINUTES  
  
May 4, 2026**

Councilman David Licate presented a commendation to the University of Akron Men’s Basketball Coach Dustin Ford and other team members in recognition of their 2026 MAC Tournament Championship and NCAA Tournament Qualification.

**FIRST READINGS**

2026-124     **A Resolution approving salary adjustments for various classified non-bargaining employees, for the Prosecutor, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Caitlin Croft from the Prosecutor’s Office addressed Committee.

Mr. Donofrio moved to recommend passage.

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 4-0-1

Yes: Donofrio, Higham, McKenney, Wilhite

Abstain: Darrow

2026-142     **A Resolution approving the new classification, classification specification and salary schedule for the non-bargaining, classified position of Mental Health Coordinator, #40041, and revising the County's 2026 Staffing Report to include two staffing positions, for the Sheriff and the Executive’s Department of Human Resources, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Carrie Hill from the Sheriff's Office and Sheriff Fatheree addressed Committee.

Mr. Wilhite moved to recommend passage.

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 5-0

Yes: Darrow, Donofrio, Higham, McKenney, Wilhite

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<b>COUNTY OF SUMMIT</b>
<b>PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MINUTES</b>
<b>May 4, 2026</b>

**FIRST READINGS**

2026-125      **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to enter into a cooperative agreement with Cuyahoga County and the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District concerning the Vaugh Roadway - Highland Roadway and the Cuyahoga River Bridge Improvement Project, at an estimated cost to the County of \$2,300,000.00, located in Sagamore Hills Township, in Council District 1, for the Engineer and the Summit County Surface Water Management District, and declaring an emergency.**

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

Heidi Swindell from the Engineer's Office addressed Committee.

Mrs. Darrow moved to recommend passage.

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 5-0

Yes: Darrow, Higham, Licate, Schmidt, Wilhite

2026-126      **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of Change Order No. 3 to a professional design services agreement with Burgess & Niple for various engineering, storm water calculations, surveying, environmental and adjunct services for the study and preliminary design of the Northfield Center Twp Drainage Study and Improvements for the Dorwick and Marwyck Drive areas, located in Northfield Center Township, in Council District 1, in an amount not to exceed \$65,551.00 (for a cumulative increase of 52.82%) for a total amount not to exceed \$369,539.00, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**

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

Heidi Swindell from the Engineer's Office addressed Committee.

Mrs. Darrow moved to recommend passage.

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 5-0

Yes: Darrow, Higham, Licate, Schmidt, Wilhite

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2026-127     **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of Change Order No. 3 to a professional design services agreement with Verdantas LLC formerly CT Consultants, Inc., for the Springfield Lake Watershed Study, located in Springfield Township, in Council District 8, in an amount not to exceed \$19,760.00 (for a cumulative increase of 34.90%) for a total amount not to exceed \$271,685.12, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Heidi Swindell from the Engineer's Office addressed Committee.

Mr. Schmidt moved to recommend passage.

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 5-0

Yes: Darrow, Higham, Licate, Schmidt, Wilhite

2026-128     **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a construction contract with Cistones Excavating Services, LLC for the 2026 Summit County Culvert Replacement Program, in an amount not to exceed \$224,728.00, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Heidi Swindell from the Engineer's Office addressed Committee.

Mr. Licate moved to recommend passage.

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 5-0

Yes: Darrow, Higham, Licate, Schmidt, Wilhite

2026-129     **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to enter into agreements for the acquisition of standard highway easements over portions of Parcel Numbers 4503095, 4500868, and 4504223 located in Sagamore Hills Township, in Council District 1, in a total amount not to exceed \$900.00, as part of the Chaffee Road Culvert Replacement Project, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**

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Jeff Wilhite P  
Rita Darrow P  
John Schmidt P  
David Licate P  
Christine Higham P

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Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Heidi Swindell from the Engineer's Office addressed Committee.

Mrs. Darrow moved to recommend passage.

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 5-0

Yes: Darrow, Higham, Licate, Schmidt, Wilhite

2026-130

**A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a construction contract with Pavement Technology, Inc. for the 2026 Summit County Regional Asphalt Rejuvenating Program, in an amount not to exceed \$183,288.84, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Heidi Swindell from the Engineer's Office addressed Committee.

Ms. Higham moved to recommend passage.

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 5-0

Yes: Darrow, Higham, Licate, Schmidt, Wilhite

2026-131

**A Resolution authorizing the Executive to enter into a Cooperative Funding Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of New Franklin, for the County's local share contribution payment in an amount not to exceed \$385,000.00, to fund the S.R. 93 Sewer Extension Project ("Project Q-834-2D") located in the City of New Franklin, in Council District 7, for the Executive's Department of Sanitary Sewer Services, and declaring and emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Mike Vinay from the Department of Sanitary Sewer Services addressed Committee.

Ms. Higham moved to recommend passage.

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 5-0

Yes: Darrow, Higham, Licate, Schmidt, Wilhite

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2026-132

**An Amended Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute an Agreement with the City of Norton, setting forth the scope of duties, manner of performance, and all essential terms and conditions whereby the County shall enforce Part Thirteen of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit, entitled “Building Code,” which incorporates the 2019 Residential Code of Ohio and the 2014 ~~2014~~ 2024 Ohio Building Code, on behalf of and within the territorial jurisdiction of the City of Norton, located in Council District 7, for the Executive’s Department of Sanitary Sewer Services-Division of Building Standards, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Mike Vinay from the Department of Sanitary Sewer Services and Chris Randles from Building Standards addressed Committee.

Ms. Higham moved to amend the legislation.

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 5-0

Yes: Darrow, Higham, Licate, Schmidt, Wilhite

Mrs. Darrow moved to recommend passage.

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 5-0

Yes: Darrow, Higham, Licate, Schmidt, Wilhite

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS:**

Elizabeth Walters	<u>P</u>
Christine Higham	<u>P</u>
Jeff Wilhite	<u>P</u>
Joseph Kacyon	<u>P</u>
Bethany McKenney	<u>P</u>

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Call-to-order: 5:01 PM

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<p><b>COUNTY OF SUMMIT</b></p> <p><b>PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</b></p> <p><b>COMMITTEE MINUTES</b></p> <p><b>May 4, 2026</b></p>
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**FIRST READINGS**

2026-133      **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute a five-year sublease agreement with the City of Akron, for office space located at 1180 South Main Street, Akron, Ohio, 44301, in Council District 4, for base rent and a portion of the operating expenses, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Brian Harnak from the Law Department addressed Committee.

Mr. Wilhite moved to recommend passage.

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 5-0

Yes: Higham, Kacyon, McKenney, Walters, Wilhite

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS:**

David Licate	<u>P</u>
Brandon Ford	<u>P</u>
John Schmidt	<u>P</u>
Rita Darrow	<u>P</u>
Joseph Kacyon	<u>P</u>

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Call-to-order: 5:02 PM

Adjourned: 5:11 PM

<p><b>COUNTY OF SUMMIT</b></p> <p><b>PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES</b></p> <p><b>May 4, 2026</b></p>
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**FIRST READINGS**

2026-134     **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service agreement with Summit Psychological Associates, Inc., to provide transitional services for opiate involved individuals at the Jail, for the term of 4/1/26 through 12/31/26, in an amount not to exceed \$400,000.00, for the Executive’s Department of Public Safety, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Alex Burt from Public Safety addressed Committee.

Mrs. Darrow moved to recommend passage.

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 5-0

Yes: Darrow, Ford, Kacyon, Licate, Schmidt

2026-135     **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of Change Order No. 2 to a purchase contract with Avertest, LLC dba Averhealth for on-site drug screen testing services, from 12/15/24 through 12/14/25, with an amount not to exceed \$16,919.90, (for a cumulative increase of 37.84%), for a total amount not to exceed \$297,485.90, for the Court of Common Pleas-General Division, Adult Probation Department, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

David Magura from the Court of Common Pleas addressed Committee.

Mr. Ford moved to recommend passage.

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 5-0

Yes: Darrow, Ford, Kacyon, Licate, Schmidt

2026-136     **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to sign an Intergovernmental Direct Indictment Program Agreement with the City of Barberton, from 5/1/2026 through 12/31/26, with four options to renew for an additional one-year term, at the amounts set forth below, for the Prosecutor, and declaring an emergency.**

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**David Licate**                    P  
Brandon Ford                    P  
John Schmidt                    P  
Rita Darrow                    P  
Joseph Kacyon                 P

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Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

John Galonski from the Prosecutor's Office addressed Committee.

Mr. Schmidt moved to recommend passage.

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 5-0

Yes: Darrow, Ford, Kacyon, Licate, Schmidt

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Jeff Wilhite	<u>P</u>
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Joseph Kacyon	<u>P</u>

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<p><b>COUNTY OF SUMMIT</b></p> <p><b>HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE</b></p> <p><b>MINUTES</b></p> <p><b>May 4, 2026</b></p>
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**FIRST READINGS**

2026-137     **A Resolution declaring the month of May 2026 as Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Awareness Month in Summit County and encouraging the residents of Summit County to join in this acknowledgement, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro, Mr. Licate, Mrs. Darrow, Mrs. McKenney, Mr. Ford, Council as a Whole

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

Rachel Madigen from the Executive's Office addressed Committee.

Mrs. McKenney moved to recommend passage.

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 5-0

Yes: Ford, Kacyon, Licate, McKenney, Wilhite

2026-138     **A Resolution declaring the month of May 2026 as Mental Health Awareness Month in Summit County and encouraging the residents of Summit County to join in this acknowledgement, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro, Council as a Whole

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

Tiera Moore from the Executive's Office, Cory Kendrick from Summit County Public Health and Amy Woodland from the ADM Board addressed Committee.

Mr. Licate moved to recommend passage.

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 5-0

Yes: Ford, Kacyon, Licate, McKenney, Wilhite

2026-139     **A Resolution declaring the month of May 2026 as Foster Care Month in the County of Summit and encouraging residents to join in this acknowledgement and consider the importance of foster care in their community, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS:**

**Brandon Ford**                    P  
Jeff Wilhite                      P  
David Licate                     P  
Bethany McKenney           P  
Joseph Kacyon                 P

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**COUNTY OF SUMMIT  
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE  
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Sponsor - Executive Shapiro, Council as a Whole  
Council Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net

Traci Foley from Summit County Children Services addressed Committee.

Mrs. McKenney moved to recommend passage.

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 5-0

Yes: Ford, Kacyon, Licate, McKenney, Wilhite

2026-140

**A Resolution declaring the month of May 2026 as Older Americans Month in Summit County, recognizing the contributions of older adults in Summit County and encouraging residents and professionals to participate in the Age-Friendly Akron-Summit initiative and the 2026 Senior Summit Conference and Expo, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro, Council as a Whole  
Council Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net

Lisa Mansfield from Vantage Aging addressed Committee.

Mr. Kacyon moved to recommend passage.

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 5-0

Yes: Ford, Kacyon, Licate, McKenney, Wilhite

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<b>John Donofrio</b>	<u>P</u>
Jeff Wilhite	<u>P</u>
Brandon Ford	<u>P</u>
Christine Higham	<u>P</u>
Elizabeth Walters	<u>P</u>

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Call-to-order: 5:30 PM

Adjourned: 5:32 PM

<p><b>COUNTY OF SUMMIT</b></p> <p><b>FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES</b></p> <p><b>May 4, 2026</b></p>
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**FIRST READINGS**

2026-141     **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with Ward & Associates for appraisal services for the valuation of commercial, industrial, and exempt buildings considered new or altered, and land splits of the same classification, for the 2026 real estate tax year, in an amount not to exceed \$171,300.00, for the Fiscal Officer, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Dominic Basile from the Fiscal Office addressed Committee.

Mr. Ford moved to recommend passage.

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 4-0-1

Yes: Ford, Higham, Walters, Wilhite

Abstain: Donofrio

**Executive Session**

Motion By:

Seconded By:

Motion Type:

For:

Against:

Abstain:

Absent:

Outcome:

Call To Order:

Reason: