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COUNCIL MEETING: 4:30 PM

**COUNTY OF SUMMIT
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
March 16, 2026**

Minutes for Approval: March 2, 2026

Councilman Jeff Wilhite will present a commendation to Mark Greer for his work as Executive Director with Akron 200, Inc.

MOTIONS FOR COUNCIL

M-021-2026 A Motion of Council confirming the appointment of Damon Mullen (replacing Caitlin (Elrad) Smith) to the Northeast Ohio Four-County Regional Planning & Development Organization (NEFCO) General Policy Board.

First Consideration: March 16, 2026

Movant - Ms. Dickinson

FIRST READINGS

*2026-064 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a purchase agreement with Brown Equipment Company, under TIPS cooperative purchasing association pricing, for a 2026 Peterbilt Vacuum Tank Truck, for an amount not to exceed \$273,965.00, for the Executive’s Department of Sanitary Sewer Services, and declaring an emergency.**

FRP Request By M. Vinay

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(PW)

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

*2026-065 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute any documents necessary to apply for a public safety grant from the United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, for the HOPE Court, for the period of October 1, 2026 through September 30, 2027, for an estimated amount of \$674,575.52, with an estimated local cash match requirement of \$387,750.49, for an estimated total amount of \$1,062,326.01, for the Court of Common Pleas – General Division, and declaring an emergency.**

FRP Request By D. Magura

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(PS)

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

*2026-066 **A Resolution appropriating funds in order to meet projected expenditures for the balance of 2026 as set forth in Exhibit A, for the Executive’s Department of Finance and Budget, and declaring an emergency.**

FRP Request By P. Montgomery

Exhibit A

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(F)

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

2026-067 **A Resolution to extend the final design report due date to December 31, 2026 for Northfield Center Township’s Dorwick ditch petition pursuant to Section 6131.12 of the Ohio Revised Code, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Mr. Wilhite

(PW)

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

2026-068 **A Resolution to extend the final design report due date to November 30, 2026 for Coventry Township’s Hinman (Penguin area) ditch petition pursuant to Section 6131.12 of the Ohio Revised Code, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Mr. Wilhite

(PW)

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

FIRST READINGS

- 2026-069 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a construction contract with JD Williamson Construction Co., Inc. for the Snyder Avenue Bridge Design/Build Project, located in the City of Barberton, in Council District 7, for a total amount not to exceed \$1,690,386.70, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (PW)
Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net
- 2026-070 **A Resolution approving the time, place, and expense of the Engineer’s annual meeting of county and township authorities on May 5, 2026, at Lala’s in the Lakes, located in the City of New Franklin, in Council District 7, in an amount not to exceed \$6,000.00, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (PW)
Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net
- 2026-071 **A Resolution, pursuant to Sections 709.14 to 709.16 of the Ohio Revised Code, and Section 125.01 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit, granting the annexation of 11.47 acres of land in Springfield Township to the Village of Mogadore, in Council District 8, and declaring an emergency.**
- Exhibits A, B & C*
- Sponsor - Ms. Walters (PL)
Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net
- 2026-072 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute a lease agreement amendment and renewal with Project: Learn of Summit County for a portion of the 1st floor at 175 South Main Street, located in the City of Akron, in Council District 4, for educational and/or charitable use for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**
- Exhibit A*
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (PL)
Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net
- 2026-073 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute a lease amendment and renewal with Service Corps of Retired Executives Association, Chapter 81 aka Akron Score for a portion of the 2nd floor at 175. South Main Street, located in the City of Akron, in Council District 4, for educational and/or charitable use for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**
- Exhibit A*
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (PL)
Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net

FIRST READINGS

- 2026-074 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with The Great Life Spay Neuter Wellness, LLC for veterinarian services at the Animal Control Facility, for a one-year term, for the period 4/1/26 to 3/31/27, in a total amount not to exceed \$114,400.00, for the Executive’s Department of Public Safety, Division of Animal Control, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (PS)
Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net
- 2026-075 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with Pay it Forward for Pets, Inc., as a Best Practical Source, to provide Volunteer Coordinator Services at the Animal Control Facility, for a one-year term, for the period of 4/1/26 through 3/31/27, in an amount not to exceed \$95,000.00, for the Executive’s Department of Public Safety, Division of Animal Control, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (PS)
Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net
- 2026-076 **A Resolution declaring the month of April 2026 as Child Abuse Prevention Month in the County of Summit and encouraging residents to join in this acknowledgement and Wear Blue Day on April 8, 2026, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (HS)
Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net
- 2026-077 **A Resolution declaring April 1, 2026, as Start by Believing Day throughout the County of Summit, supporting the Start by Believing campaign which raises awareness of survivors of sexual violence, and encouraging all businesses and residents alike to show their support by wearing teal on April 1, 2026, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (HS)
Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net
- 2026-078 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute an intergovernmental agreement with the Ohio Auditor of State, for the 2025 financial audit for the County of Summit, in an amount not to exceed \$146,981.00, for the Internal Audit Department, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (F)
Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net

FIRST READINGS

2026-079 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a marketing agreement with Alliance Media for the Veterans Service Commission 2026 Advertising Campaign, for a one-year term, from 2/15/26 through 2/14/27, with three options to renew for an additional one-year term, in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00, for the Veterans Service Commission, and declaring an emergency.**

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

2026-080 **A Resolution confirming the award of the Board of Control of the contract identified in Exhibit A, as a Best Practical Source, in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00, and confirming the applicability of confidentiality provisions under Ohio Revised Code §§ 9.64 and 149.433, for the Office of Information Technology, and declaring an emergency.**

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

ROUTINE LEGISLATION UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO BY COMMITTEE

2026-046 **A Resolution enacting a 4% salary increase for current non-bargaining, classified and unclassified employees of the Clerk of Courts, Council, Engineer, Executive, Fiscal Officer, Human Resource Commission, Internal Audit Department, Office of Information Technology, Prosecutor, and Sheriff, effective March 23, 2026, for the Executive’s Department of Human Resources, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: March 2, 2026

Exhibit A

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (P&I)
Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net
Personnel Committee recommends passage.

2026-047 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute a grant agreement with the Summit Soil and Water Conservation District in the amount of \$300,000.00 for services to the Surface Water Management District and pursuant to the County’s MS4 permit, for the Executive and the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: March 2, 2026

Exhibit A

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (PW)
Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net
Public Works Committee recommends passage.

2026-048 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with The Osborn Engineering Company for engineering design services for the reconstruction of South Main Street and the replacement of the South Main Street Bridge over the Feeder Canal near Vaughn Road, located in the City of Akron and Coventry Township, in Council District 8, in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: March 2, 2026

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (PW)
Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net
Public Works Committee recommends passage.

2026-049 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a purchase contract with A&H Equipment Co., at Sourcewell Pricing, for one new Ford T350 Transit Truck with a mounted minicam Storm Sewer Inspection System, in a total amount not to exceed \$248,000.00, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: March 2, 2026

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (PW)
Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net
Public Works Committee recommends passage.

ROUTINE LEGISLATION UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO BY COMMITTEE

2026-050 **A Resolution confirming an award by the Board of Control of a construction contract with Wingfoot Rental and Development Co., Inc., for Project Q-836-1 Pump Station No. 82 Replacement and Force Main Replacement, located in the City of Tallmadge, in Council District 6, in an amount not to exceed \$1,865,285.00, for the Executive's Department of Sanitary Sewer Services, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: March 2, 2026

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(PW)

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

Public Works Committee recommends passage.

2026-052 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a purchase contract with Enterprise Fleet Management, Inc., as a Best Practical Source, for the buy-out of 27 vehicle leases, in an amount not to exceed \$38,816.77, for the Executive's Departments of Sanitary Sewer Services and Community & Economic Development, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: March 2, 2026

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(PW)

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

Public Works Committee recommends passage.

2026-053 **A Resolution confirming awards of the Board of Control of various Community Development contracts and authorizing the Executive to disburse funds, including those that exceed an aggregate of \$75,000.00, to Community Development contractors operating under contract with the Executive's Department of Community and Economic Development for housing programs in calendar year 2026, for the period of 1/1/26 through 12/31/26, in an estimated total amount not to exceed \$13,190,330.00, for the Executive's Department of Community and Economic Development, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: March 2, 2026

Exhibit A

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(PL)

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

Planning and Economic Development Committee recommends passage.

ROUTINE LEGISLATION UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO BY COMMITTEE

2026-054 **A Resolution confirming awards of the Board of Control of various Community Development contracts and authorizing the Executive to disburse funds, including those that exceed an aggregate of \$75,000.00, to Community Development contractors operating under contract with the Executive's Department of Community and Economic Development for the Home Weatherization Assistance Program (HWAP) program in HWAP Fiscal Year 2026, for the period of 7/1/25 through 6/30/26, in an estimated total amount not to exceed \$4,841,485.00 for the Executive's Department of Community and Economic Development, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: March 2, 2026

Exhibit A

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (PL)

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

Planning and Economic Development Committee recommends passage.

2026-056 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute any documents necessary to accept the award from the Ohio Department of Public Safety's Office of Criminal Justice Services of an Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant, for the period 1/1/26 through 12/31/26, in an amount not to exceed \$117,030.32, with a 25% local cash match requirement in an amount not to exceed \$39,010.07, for a total amount not to exceed \$156,040.39, for the Sheriff, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: March 2, 2026

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (PS)

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

Public Safety Committee recommends passage.

2026-057 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a purchase contract with Hall Public Safety Co. for the purchase of up fit equipment for fifteen new vehicles, at Public Cooperative Purchasing Pricing, in an amount not to exceed \$183,306.60, for the Sheriff, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: March 2, 2026

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (PS)

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

Public Safety Committee recommends passage.

ROUTINE LEGISLATION UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO BY COMMITTEE

2026-058 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a purchase contract with Montrose Auto Group for the purchase of fifteen 2026 Ford Explorer Police Interceptors, at State Term pricing, in an amount not to exceed \$662,949.00, for the Sheriff, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: March 2, 2026

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (PS)

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

Public Safety Committee recommends passage.

2026-059 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a purchase contract with Montrose Auto Group for the purchase of two 2026 Chevy Traverse AWD vehicles, at CUE pricing, in an amount not to exceed \$84,863.72, for the Sheriff, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: March 2, 2026

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (PS)

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

Public Safety Committee recommends passage.

2026-060 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to advertise for bids for payroll services for youth and adult employment programs, for an estimated total cost not to exceed \$3,000,000.00, for the Executive's Department of Job and Family Services, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: March 2, 2026

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (HS)

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

Health and Human Services Committee recommends passage.

2026-061 **A Resolution declaring the month of March 2026 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.**

Introduced: March 2, 2026

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro, Council as a Whole (HS)

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

Health and Human Services Committee recommends passage.

ROUTINE LEGISLATION UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO BY COMMITTEE

2026-062 **A Resolution declaring the month of March 2026 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.**

Introduced: March 2, 2026

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro, Council as a Whole (HS)

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

Health and Human Services Committee recommends passage.

2026-063 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a purchase contract with ZixCorp Systems, Inc., at GSA Co-op Pricing, for Office365 service with Zix/AppRiver/OpenText as a Cloud Solution Provider, for a one-year term, from 4/12/26 through 4/11/27, in an amount not to exceed \$286,250.40, for the Office of Information Technology, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: March 2, 2026

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (F)

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

Finance Committee recommends passage.

SECOND READINGS

2026-055 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to advertise for bids for the Department of Public Safety and Emergency Management Build Out Project, located in the City of Tallmadge, in Council District 6, for an estimated total cost not to exceed \$1,500,000.00, for the Executive’s Department of Administrative Services–Physical Plants and Department of Public Safety, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: March 2, 2026

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (PL)

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

Planning and Economic Development Committee recommends passage.

OTHER BUSINESS