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COUNCIL MEETING: 4:30 PM

**COUNTY OF SUMMIT
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
August 24, 2026**

Minutes for Approval: August 17, 2026

MOTIONS FOR COUNCIL

M-044-2026 A Motion of Council confirming the appointment of Charles Lasher (replacing Deborah Matz) to the Human Resource Commission.

First Consideration: August 24, 2026

Movant - Ms. Dickinson

M-045-2026 A Motion of Council confirming the appointments of Rachel Tecca (replacing Malcolm Costa), Herman Hill (replacing Roberta Aber), Christy Erb (replacing Mollie Gilbride), Laura Duda (replacing Jeff Ferguson), Brian Reitz (replacing John Garofalo), James Talbert (replacing Rev. Sandra Selby) and the reappointments of Harry Kamdar, Kim Ventresca and Laura Pletcher to the Social Services Advisory Board.

First Consideration: August 24, 2026

Movant - Ms. Dickinson

FIRST READINGS

- *2026-229 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute an Ohio Public Works Commission grant application and any other documents necessary to apply for and accept grant funds, in the amount of \$750,000.00, for Project Q-208 Peninsula Environmental Sustainability Project, located in the Village of Peninsula, in Council District 1, 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

- *2026-230 **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

- 2026-231 **A Resolution approving the salary adjustments for certain classified non-bargaining employees based upon job performance, increased responsibilities in their job duties and pay equity, for the Clerk of Courts, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(P&I)

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

- 2026-232 **A Resolution confirming the award of a professional service contract with NFP Corporate Services for general consulting services for health and wellness benefits, for a five-year term, from 10/1/26 to 9/30/31, for an amount not to exceed \$2,100,000.00, for the Executive's Department of Human Resources-Division of Employee Benefits, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(P&I)

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

- 2026-233 **A Resolution to extend the final design report to June 1, 2027 for Northfield Center Township's Norwood Lake, Beech Drive and Cherry Lane ditch petition pursuant to Section 6131.12 of the Ohio Revised Code, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(PW)

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

FIRST READINGS

- 2026-234 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute an Ohio Public Works Commission grant application and any other documents necessary to apply for and accept Local Transportation Improvement Program grant funds, in the amount of \$389,000.00, for Phase 5 of the resurfacing of Boston Mills Road from the end of Boston Mills Road Phase 4 westward approximately 3,000 feet, located in Richfield Township, in Council District 1, with no local cash match, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(PW)

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

- 2026-235 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a construction contract with Lake Erie Construction Co., for the 2026 Summit County Guardrail Replacement Program, in an amount not to exceed \$365,320.00, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(PW)

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

- 2026-236 **A Resolution declaring the month of September 2026 as Recovery Month in Summit County, and encouraging the residents of Summit County to join in this acknowledgment, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(HS)

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

- 2026-237 **A Resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission, authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them for tax year 2026/collection year 2027 to the Fiscal Officer, for the Executive's Department of Finance and Budget, and declaring an emergency.**

Exhibit A

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(F)

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ROUTINE LEGISLATION UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO BY COMMITTEE

- 2026-213 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with Accordware, LLC, as a Best Practical Source, to continue services with the current online benefits administration platform, for a five-year term, for a total amount not to exceed \$675,000.00, for the Executive's Department of Human Resources, Division of Employee Benefits, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: August 17, 2026

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(P&I)

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

Personnel Committee recommends passage.

- 2026-214 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with ImpaxRx, as a Best Practical Source, to continue services enhancing efficiency in pharmaceutical cost management and support ongoing cost-containment initiatives, for a three-year term, for a total amount not to exceed \$930,000.00, for the Executive's Department of Human Resources, Division of Employee Benefits, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: August 17, 2026

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(P&I)

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

Personnel Committee recommends passage.

- 2026-215 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a purchase contract with Ports Petroleum Company, Inc. for unleaded and diesel fuel for general fleet operations, at CUE pricing, for a one-year term, from 1/1/26 through 12/31/26, in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: August 17, 2026

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(PW)

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Public Works Committee recommends passage.

ROUTINE LEGISLATION UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO BY COMMITTEE

- 2026-216 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute a Member Community Infrastructure Grant Program Agreement with the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District, in an amount not to exceed \$597,658.83, with a 50% local cash match requirement in an amount not to exceed \$597,658.83, for Project Q-186 Elimination of Hudson Sanitary Sewer Overflow Area L, located in the City of Hudson, in Council District 3, for the Executive's Department of Sanitary Sewer Services, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: August 17, 2026

Exhibit A

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(PW)

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

Public Works Committee recommends passage.

- 2026-217 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute a Second Amendment to an Agreement with the Portage County Board of Commissioners for Portage County to contribute to the costs for Project Q-453 Fishcreek Wastewater Treatment Plant #25 Digester Improvements, located in the City of Stow, in Council District 3, for the Executive's Department of Sanitary Sewer Services, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: August 17, 2026

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(PW)

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

Public Works Committee recommends passage.

- 2026-218 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to advertise for bids for the construction of Project Q-620 Summit County Fairgrounds Sanitary Sewer Improvements, located in the City of Tallmadge, in Council District 6, for an estimated total cost not to exceed \$620,267.00, for the Executive's Department of Sanitary Sewer Services, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: August 17, 2026

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(PW)

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Public Works Committee recommends passage.

ROUTINE LEGISLATION UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO BY COMMITTEE

- 2026-219 **A Resolution setting a date for this Council, pursuant to Section 709.03 of the Ohio Revised Code and Section 125.01(i) of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit, to conduct a public hearing to consider the annexation of 2.201 acres of land in Richfield Township to the Village of Richfield, for Mansfield Fuel & Food Mart, LLC, for Council, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: August 17, 2026

Sponsor - Ms. Walters

(PL)

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

Planning and Economic Development Committee recommends passage.

- 2026-220 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to advertise for bids for the Jail Door Controls Project, located in the City of Akron, in Council District 4, for an estimated total cost not to exceed \$1,900,000.00, for the Executive's Department of Administrative Services - Physical Plants, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: August 17, 2026

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(PL)

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

Planning and Economic Development Committee recommends passage.

- 2026-221 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to advertise for bids for the Jail Generator Replacement Project, located in the City of Akron, in Council District 4, for an estimated total cost not to exceed \$700,000.00, for the Executive's Department of Administrative Services – Physical Plants, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: August 17, 2026

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(PL)

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

Planning and Economic Development Committee recommends passage.

- 2026-222 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a purchase contract with Vasu Communications, Inc., at State Term pricing, for the purchase of fifty (50) radios for the Jail, in an amount not to exceed \$162,042.00, for the Sheriff, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: August 17, 2026

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(PS)

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Public Safety Committee recommends passage.

ROUTINE LEGISLATION UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO BY COMMITTEE

- 2026-223 **A Resolution declaring August 2026 as National Emergency Management Awareness Month in Summit County and encouraging residents to recognize the emergency managers in every sector who work diligently to prepare, protect, and serve our communities against all hazards, risks, and disasters, for the Executive and Council, and declaring an emergency.**
- Introduced: August 17, 2026**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (PS)
- Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net
- Public Safety Committee recommends passage.
- 2026-224 **An Ordinance amending Section 113.03 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit, entitled “Criminal Background Checks, Fingerprinting Fee, and Sex Offender Registration Fee,” to increase fees for BCI and FBI processing, for the Sheriff, and declaring an emergency.**
- Introduced: August 17, 2026**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (R)
- Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net
- Rules Committee recommends passage.
- 2026-225 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of Change Order No. 1 to a professional service contract with Thompson Hine LLP, in an amount not to exceed \$105,000.00, for a total amount not to exceed \$155,000.00 (for a cumulative increase of 210.00%), for the continuation and completion of legal work to establish the Support Organization with Akron Community Foundation and other opiate settlement funds related issues, for the Executive’s Department of Law and Risk Management, and declaring an emergency.**
- Introduced: August 17, 2026**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (R)
- Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net
- Rules Committee recommends passage.

ROUTINE LEGISLATION UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO BY COMMITTEE

2026-226 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute a two-year intergovernmental agreement, on behalf of the Executive's Department of Job and Family Services, with various County entities for the continued operation and management by the Summit County Combined General Health District d.b.a. Summit County Public Health of the Summit 2030 Quality of Life Project, for the period 1/1/27 through 12/31/28, in a total amount not to exceed \$260,000.00, of which the County's share will be an amount not to exceed \$65,000.00, for the Executive's Department of Job and Family Services, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: August 17, 2026

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (HS)

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

Health and Human Services Committee recommends passage.

2026-227 **A Resolution declaring August 31, 2026, Overdose Awareness Day in Summit County, raising awareness of the opioid epidemic and asking residents to join in remembering and mourning the lives lost due to the epidemic, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: August 17, 2026

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro, Ms. Walters (HS)

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

Health and Human Services Committee recommends passage.

2026-228 **A Resolution declaring September 15, 2026, as National Voter Registration Day in Summit County encouraging the citizens of Summit County to register to vote, to ensure their voter registration is up to date, and to celebrate democracy by exercising their right to vote, for the Executive and Council, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: August 17, 2026

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro, Ms. Walters (CW)

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Committee Of the Whole Committee recommends passage.

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