

**COUNTY OF SUMMIT
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
October 5, 2026**

Minutes for Approval: September 21, 2026 & September 28, 2026

Doug Piekarz, President & CEO of the Akron Zoo, will provide a presentation to Council.

MOTIONS FOR COUNCIL

M-046-2026 A Motion of Council confirming the reappointment of Chad Voller, Joe Clarke, Kevin Parrish, and Stephen Byrne (with Dennis Babb as alternate) to the Information Technology Advisory Committee.

First Consideration: October 5, 2026

Movant - Ms. Dickinson

M-047-2026 A Motion of Council confirming the reappointment of Nicole Kowalski to the Facility Governing Board.

First Consideration: October 5, 2026

Movant - Ms. Dickinson

M-048-2026 A Motion of Council confirming the reappointment of Kristin Branagan to the Humane Commission.

First Consideration: October 5, 2026

Movant - Ms. Dickinson

FIRST READINGS

- *2026-263 **A Resolution declaring the County of Summit's approval and support for the Western Reserve Land Conservancy's Clean Ohio Greenspace Conservation Program Application for the Rocky River Forest Preserve project, located in Richfield Township, in Council District 1, to be submitted by the Western Reserve Land Conservancy for funding under the Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**

FRP Request By B. Nelsen

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro, Mrs. Darrow

(PW)

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

- *2026-264 **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

- 2026-265 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with Personify Health, Inc. for wellness program services management, for a five-year term, for the period of 1/1/27 through 12/31/31, in a total amount not to exceed \$1,250,000.00 (\$250,000.00 per year), 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

- 2026-266 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with Akron General Partners, Inc., for biometric screening and flu vaccinations, for a three-year term, from 1/1/27 through 12/31/29, in a total amount not to exceed \$150,000.00 (\$50,000.00 per year), 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

FIRST READINGS

- 2026-267 **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 Albrecht Road Resurfacing Project and the South Main Street Resurfacing Project, located in the Village of Mogadore and the Townships of Coventry and Springfield, in Council District 8, with the Department of Transportation providing up to a total of \$1,750,000.00 in Surface Transportation Block Grant funds, with the Engineer being responsible for the balance of the project costs, at a total cost not to exceed \$3,646,591.31, for the Executive and Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**

Exhibit A

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(PW)

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

- 2026-268 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with Burgess & Niple, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$3,302,400.00 and to authorize the Executive to apply for and execute a Water Pollution Control Loan Fund Loan Agreement for a loan in an amount not to exceed \$3,632,640.00, to finance the engineering design and surveying services for Project Q-460 Fishcreek Wastewater Treatment Plant #25 RBC Replacement, located in the City of Stow, in Council District 3, for the Executive's Department of Sanitary Sewer Services, and declaring an emergency.**

Exhibit A

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(PW)

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

- 2026-269 **A Resolution certifying delinquent sewer service charges to the Fiscal Officer, for the Executive's Department of Sanitary Sewer Services, and declaring an emergency.**

Exhibit A

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(PW)

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

- 2026-270 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a purchase contract with FEI Imperio, LLC., as Best Practical Source, for office furniture for various County offices and departments, in an amount not to exceed \$80,940.00, for the Executive's Department of Administrative Services – Physical Plants, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(PL)

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

FIRST READINGS

- 2026-271 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with Salas O'Brien, for engineering design services for the Juvenile Court HVAC Replacement Project, in an amount not to exceed \$79,000.00, for the Executive's Department of Administrative Services, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (PL)
Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net
- 2026-272 **A Resolution amending the Direct Indictment Officer service rates to be charged by the Sheriff and authorizing the Executive to execute contracts for the Sheriff that include said services, for calendar years 2027, 2028, and 2029, for the Executive and the Sheriff, and declaring an emergency.**
- Exhibit A*
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (PS)
Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net
- 2026-273 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute a renewal (first of two) of an intergovernmental agreement with the City of Akron for the use of the indoor and outdoor firing ranges at the County of Summit Sheriff Robert D. Campbell Training Facility, for a five-year term, from 1/1/27 through 12/31/31, for the Sheriff, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (PS)
Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net
- 2026-274 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with Oriana House, Inc., as a Best Practical Source, for two full-time case managers, to provide support and treatment services to Valor Court participants, for a one-year term, from 9/30/26 through 9/29/27, in an amount not to exceed \$151,865.00, for the Court of Common Pleas-General Division, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (PS)
Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net
- 2026-275 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with Interval Brotherhood Homes, Inc., dba IBH Addiction Recovery, for peer support services for Valor Court participants, for a one-year term, from 9/30/26 through 9/29/27, in an amount not to exceed \$80,112.00, for the Court of Common Pleas - General Division, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (PS)
Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net

FIRST READINGS

- 2026-276 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute a grant agreement with the Akron Community Foundation in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00, to be paid from the Opioid Settlement Dollars, to provide additional support for the Field of Interest Fund, known as the Opioid Healing Fund, to support and enhance the health and safety of minority and disadvantaged County of Summit residents, for the Executive, the Opiate Abatement Advisory Council, and the Key Stakeholders Group, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(HS)

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

- 2026-277 **A Resolution declaring the month of October 2026 as Safe Sleep and SIDS Awareness Month, highlighting the risk of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (“SIDS”) among infants, the importance of safe sleep practices in reducing SIDS, and uplifting families with newborns, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(HS)

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

- 2026-278 **A Resolution declaring November 21, 2026, as National Adoption Day in Summit County, raising awareness about the need for permanent families for children in foster care, recognizing our children and the joy they bring to their adoptive families, and encouraging Summit County residents to secure safety, permanency, and well-being for all children by considering becoming a foster-to-adopt family, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(HS)

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ROUTINE LEGISLATION UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO BY COMMITTEE

- 2026-245 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with The Guardian Life Insurance Company, for dental and life insurance services, for a three-year term, in an amount not to exceed \$6,102,000.00, for the Executive's Department of Human Resources – Division of Employee Benefits, and declaring an emergency.**
- Introduced: September 21, 2026**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (P&I)
- Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net
- Personnel Committee recommends passage.
- 2026-246 **A Resolution approving a salary adjustment for classified non-bargaining employee Joel Metzger, PS, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**
- Introduced: September 21, 2026**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (P&I)
- Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net
- Personnel Committee recommends passage.
- 2026-247 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a construction contract with Lockhart Concrete Co., as a Local Business Preference, for the Chaffee Road Culvert Replacement Project, located in Sagamore Hills Township, in Council District 1, in a total amount not to exceed \$216,663.50, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**
- Introduced: September 21, 2026**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (PW)
- Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net
- Public Works Committee recommends passage.
- 2026-248 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with Davey Resource Group, Inc. for the inspection and maintenance of stormwater management facilities located within the assessed subdivisions in the townships of Bath, Richfield, Boston, Sagamore Hills, Northfield Center, and Twinsburg, in Council Districts 1 and 5, with two options to renew for an additional one-year term, in an amount not to exceed \$120,000.00, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**
- Introduced: September 21, 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

- 2026-249 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with EnviroScience, Inc. for the inspection and maintenance of stormwater management facilities located within the assessed subdivisions of Copley, Coventry, and Springfield, in Council Districts 5, 7, and 8, with two options to renew for an additional one-year term, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: September 21, 2026

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(PW)

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

Public Works Committee recommends passage.

- 2026-250 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a purchase contract with Kenworth Truck Company, at Sourcewell pricing, for one 2027 Kenworth T480V Tandem Axle Cab & Chassis Dump/Plow Truck, with a 5 year/100,000-mile warranty, in a total amount not to exceed \$161,850.00, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: September 21, 2026

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(PW)

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

Public Works Committee recommends passage.

- 2026-252 **A Resolution declaring the failure in the Pump Station #123 force main, on Valley View Road, located in the City of Macedonia, 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 construction contract with Wingfoot Rental & Development Co., in an amount not to exceed \$109,622.80, for an emergency repair to the force main, for the Executive's Department of Sanitary Sewer Services, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: September 21, 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

- 2026-253 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of an agreement for the acquisition of a Sanitary Sewer Easement over a portion of Center Street, Parcel Number 1100538, for Project Q-208 Peninsula Environmental Sustainability Project, for an amount not to exceed \$650.00, located in the Village of Peninsula, in Council District 1, for the Executive's Department of Sanitary Sewer Services, and declaring an emergency.**
- Introduced: September 21, 2026**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (PW)
- Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net
- Public Works Committee recommends passage.
- 2026-254 **A Resolution declaring the week of October 1st – 7th, 2026 as Stormwater Awareness Week in Summit County, recognizing the effects of stormwater runoff on the infrastructure and environment, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**
- Introduced: September 21, 2026**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro, Council as a Whole (PW)
- Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net
- Public Works Committee recommends passage.
- 2026-255 **A Resolution approving and accepting a subdivision titled “Heartridge Subdivision Phase 3,” located in Sagamore Hills Township, in Council District 1, for the Executive-Planning Commission and the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**
- Introduced: September 21, 2026**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro (PL)
- Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net
- Planning and Economic Development Committee recommends passage.
- 2026-256 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a purchase contract with GreenCourt Legal Technologies, LLC., as a Sole Source Vendor, for the GovLink electronic filing platform, for a three-year term, for a total amount not to exceed \$1,262,601.00, with two options to renew for an additional one-year term, for the Prosecutor’s Child Support Enforcement Agency, and declaring an emergency.**
- Introduced: September 21, 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

- 2026-257 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a purchase contract with Clarity Solutions Group, under Equalis Group pricing, for the ClarityLink printing and mailing platform, for a three-year term, in a total amount not to exceed \$210,000.00, with two options to renew for an additional one-year term, for the Prosecutor's Child Support Enforcement Agency, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: September 21, 2026

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(PS)

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

Public Safety Committee recommends passage.

- 2026-258 **A Resolution declaring the month of October 2026 as National Arts and Humanities Month in Summit County, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: September 21, 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.

- 2026-259 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a renewal (second and final) of a purchase contract with Rumpke Waste & Recycling Services for trash removal and disposal at various County facilities, for a two-year term, from 1/1/27 to 12/31/28, in an amount not to exceed \$313,711.68, for the Executive's Department of Finance and Budget - Purchasing, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: September 21, 2026

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(F)

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

Finance Committee recommends passage.

- 2026-260 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of the contract identified in Exhibit A, as a Best Practical Source, in an amount not to exceed \$390,600.00, 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.**

Introduced: September 21, 2026

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

(F)

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

Finance Committee recommends passage.

ROUTINE LEGISLATION UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO BY COMMITTEE

2026-261 **A Resolution declaring October 5, 2026 as North American First People's Day in Summit County, honoring the history and culture of Native Americans, acknowledging the efforts to preserve this history in the United States, in the State of Ohio, and in Summit County, and encouraging residents to join in the acknowledgement, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**

Introduced: September 21, 2026

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro, Council as a Whole

(CW)

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

Committee Of the Whole Committee recommends passage.

OTHER BUSINESS