

**COUNTY OF SUMMIT**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**March 1, 2021**

The meeting held on March 1, 2021 was conducted remotely pursuant to the authority in House Bill 404.

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

Summit County EMA presented an overview of the Summit EMA app for emergency alerts.

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

The following items were addressed before Council at the Caucus:

- 2021-046 Faylin Thurn from Public Safety addressed Council on this first reading passage request.
- 2021-047 Greta Johnson from the Executive's Office addressed Council on this first reading passage request.
- 2021-048 Andrew Barry from the Executive's Office addressed Council on this first reading passage request.
- 2021-049 Lisa Skapura from Internal Audit addressed Council on this first reading passage request.
- 2021-050 Diane Miller-Dawson from the Executive's Department of Finance & Budget addressed Council on this first reading passage request.
- 2021-060 Holly Miller from the Department of Community and Economic Development addressed Council on this first reading passage request.
- 2021-061 Phil Montgomery from the Executive's Office and Holly Miller from the Department of Community and Economic Development addressed Council on this first reading passage request.
- M-020-2021 Mr. Tucker was present as a new appointment to the Criminal Justice Advisory Board.

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

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

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MINUTES FOR APPROVAL: Mr. Schmidt moved to approve the minutes of the regular Council meeting(s) held February 8, 2021.

Voice Vote on the motion.

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

The Minutes were approved 11-0.

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ANNOUNCEMENT OF GENERAL INTEREST: None.

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ANNOUNCEMENT FROM EXECUTIVE: None.

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ANNOUNCEMENT OF OFFICEHOLDERS: None.

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**MOTIONS FOR COUNCIL**

**M-019-2021 A Motion of Council confirming the appointment of Mr. Jeffrey James (replacing Janice Radl) to the Law Library Resources Board.**

Movant - Ms. Walters

Mr. Dickinson moved to approve.

Voice Vote on the motion.

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

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Motion M-019-2021 was approved.

**M-020-2021 A Motion of Council confirming the appointment of Mr. Joseph Tucker to the Criminal Justice Advisory Board.**

Movant - Ms. Walters

Mr. Wilhite moved to approve.

Voice Vote on the motion.

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

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Motion M-020-2021 was approved.

**M-021-2021 A Motion of Council confirming the appointment of Mr. Mike Vinay as alternate to Executive Ilene Shapiro (replacing Bob Genet) to the Summit/Akron Solid Waste Management Board.**

Movant - Ms. Walters

Mrs. Rodgers moved to approve.

Voice Vote on the motion.

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

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Motion M-021-2021 was approved.

**FIRST READINGS**

2021-046     **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a purchase contract for two bomb suits and accessories for the Youngstown Bomb Squad and two bomb suits and accessories for the Sheriff's Office, for a total of four bomb suits and accessories, for a total amount not to exceed \$183,430.60, for the Executive's Department of Law and Risk Management-Division of Public Safety, Emergency Management Agency, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Mr. Dickinson 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, Feeman, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Mr. Dickinson moved to adopt.

Voice Vote on the motion.

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

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Resolution 2021-046 was adopted.

2021-047     **A Resolution declaring the month of March 2021 as Women's History Month in Summit County, recognizing the women of America, and the achievements they have made throughout the nation's history, as well as the struggles and roadblocks they have faced and continue to face, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro, Council of the Whole

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

Mr. Wilhite 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, Feeman, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Mr. Wilhite moved to adopt.

Voice Vote on the motion.

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

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Resolution 2021-047 was adopted.

2021-048 **A Resolution declaring the month of March 2021 as Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month in Summit County, recognizing persons with developmental disabilities, as well as the struggles and roadblocks they have faced and continue to face, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro, Council of the Whole

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

Mr. Wilhite 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, Feeman, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Mr. Wilhite moved to adopt.

Voice Vote on the motion.

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

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Resolution 2021-048 was adopted.

2021-049 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute an intergovernmental agreement with the Ohio Auditor of State, for the 2020 financial audit for the County of Summit, in an amount not to exceed \$152,274.00, for the Internal Audit Department, 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, Feeman, McKenney, Rodgers, Sims, Walters, Wilhite

No: Schmidt

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 10-1

Mr. Donofrio moved to adopt.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, Feeman, McKenney, Rodgers, Sims, Walters, Wilhite

No: Schmidt

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 10-1

Resolution 2021-049 was adopted.

2021-050 **A Resolution appropriating funds totaling \$4,202,310.51 in order to meet projected expenditures for the balance of 2021 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, Feeman, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Mr. Donofrio moved to adopt.

Voice Vote on the motion.

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

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Resolution 2021-050 was adopted.

2021-051 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute an agreement for the acquisition of a storm easement at 1015 White Pond Drive, located in Copley Township, in Council District 5, in a total amount not to exceed \$300.00, as part of the White Pond Drive Resurfacing Project, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Committee First Readings

2021-052 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to advertise for bids for a two-year agreement purchase contract for sanitary sewer utility billing services, for an estimated total cost not to exceed \$300,000.00, 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

Committee First Readings

2021-053 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to apply for and execute a Cooperative Agreement with the Ohio Water Development Authority for a loan in an amount not to exceed \$396,750.00, to fund the Q-615 Pump Station No. 81 Force Main Replacement Project, located in the City of Tallmadge, in Council District 6, 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

Committee First Readings

2021-054 **A Resolution amending Resolution No. 2018-221, subject to the approval of the Board of Control, to increase the County’s local cash match in the Prospect Street Reconstruction Project Q-953-2, in the Village of Mogadore, in Council District 8, from an amount not to exceed \$75,000.00 to an amount not to exceed \$139,944.18, 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

Committee First Readings

2021-055 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a lease-purchase agreement with the Jack Doheny Company, at State Term Pricing, for a five-year term, at a current interest rate of 2.55%, for a 2021 Kenworth T440 Tandem Axle Chassis with a Vector Combination Sewer Cleaner, which will be financed through The Huntington Public Capital Corporation, for a total amount not to exceed \$483,729.08 with a guaranteed trade-in of \$190,270.00 at the end of the lease, for a net lease cost of \$293,459.08, 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

Committee First Readings

2021-056 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with The Apostolos Group, Inc. dba Thomarios for construction manager services for the Combined 911 Dispatch Center, located in the City of Tallmadge, in Council District 6, in an amount not to exceed \$564,360.00, for the Executive’s Department of Administrative Services–Physical Plants, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Committee First Readings

2021-057 **An Ordinance amending Section 146.02 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit entitled “Composition,” to reduce the number of members of the Information Technology Advisory Committee from seven to four, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Committee First Readings

2021-058     **An Ordinance amending Section 113.09 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit entitled “Fees For Legal Representation Of Indigent Defendants By Appointed Private Counsel,” to update the fee schedule with regards to certain Juvenile Court cases, for the Executive’s Department of Law and Risk Management, and declaring an emergency.**

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

Committee First Readings

2021-059     **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with Azteca Systems, Inc., as a Best Practical Source, for Cityworks Asset Management software licensing, updates and software support, for a one-year term, from 4/7/21 to 4/6/22, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00, for the Office of Information Technology, and declaring an emergency.**

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

Committee First Readings

Mr. Schmidt moved to amend the Agenda to add Late Filings.

Voice Vote on the motion

For: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, Feeman, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wilhite

The Late Filings were added to the Agenda 11-0.

**FIRST READINGS LATE FILINGS**

2021-060     **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to apply for, and accept, funds from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency through the Water Pollution Control Loan Fund for the repair and replacement of home septic systems, in the amount of \$150,000.00, with an estimated \$80,000.00 client provided local cash match requirement, and authorizing the Executive to execute a Water Pollution Loan Control Loan Fund Assistance Agreement with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency for said purposes, for the Executive’s Department of Community and Economic Development, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Mrs. Sims 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, Feeman, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Mrs. Sims moved to adopt.

Voice Vote on the motion.

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

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Resolution 2021-060 was adopted.



2021-061

**A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute grant agreements in an amount not to exceed \$16,149,837.80 for the Summit County Emergency Rental Assistance Program to assist Summit County residents with rental assistance, utility assistance, eviction prevention, data collection, lender negotiation, financial counseling and other services necessary to allow residents to remain in their place of residence and declaring such expenditures necessary due to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro, Mr. Schmidt and Council of the Whole  
Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net

Mr. Wilhite 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, Feeman, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Mr. Wilhite moved to adopt.

Voice Vote on the motion.

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

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Resolution 2021-061 was adopted.

**Routine Agenda Motion(s)**

Mr. Schmidt 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, Feeman, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wilhite

Motion passed

Mr. Schmidt moved to adopt.

Voice Vote on the motion.

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

Motion passed

The Routine Agenda was adopted 11-0

**ROUTINE LEGISLATION UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO BY COMMITTEE**

2021-041     **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to enter into a Private Developer Agreement with BH (Ohio) Leasing, LLC for the construction and reimbursement of an extension of County sanitary sewer lines located in the City of Stow, in Council District 3 , known as Seasons Business Park West (Parcel #5610129), in an amount not to exceed \$271,200.00 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

Resolution 2021-041 was adopted.

2021-042     **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute a quitclaim deed and any other documents necessary to transfer County-owned Parcel Number 0220466, located at 2355 2nd Street, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, in Council District 2, to the Summit County Developmental Disabilities Board, for the amount of \$1.00, for the purpose of putting the deed in the name of the Summit County Developmental Disabilities Board, for the Executive’s Department of Law and Risk Management and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Resolution 2021-042 was adopted.

2021-043     **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute a grant agreement with the Legal Defenders Office of Summit County, Ohio, Inc. for capital improvements to its office space located at One Cascade Plaza, Akron, Ohio to accommodate additional staff members, in an amount not to exceed \$77,000.00, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Resolution 2021-043 was adopted.

2021-044     **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with MCM Consulting Group, Inc., as a Best Practical Source, for project management for the development of a regional 9-1-1 dispatch center, in an amount not to exceed \$285,000.00, for the Executive’s Department of Law and Risk Management-Division of Public Safety and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Resolution 2021-044 was adopted.

2021-045     **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute a grant agreement with the Ohio & Erie Canal Corridor Coalition, Inc. d.b.a. Ohio & Erie Canalway Coalition, for a grant, in an amount not to exceed \$125,000.00, for Canal Corridor Development and Trail Planning in the form of grants to various communities in partnership with the Coalition, for the Executive’s Department of Finance and Budget, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro, Ms. Sims & Council of the Whole

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

Resolution 2021-045 was adopted.

Presentation of New Business: None.

Presentation of Petitions to address Council: None.

**Executive Session**

Motion By:

Seconded By:

Motion Type: Roll Call

For:

Against:

Abstain:

Absent:

Outcome:

Call To Order:

Reason:

Adjournment: Council adjourned at 5:18 pm. The next regular meeting will be held March 15, 2021 at 4:30 pm

All deliberations concerning official business and formal actions by this County Council were conducted in an open public meeting this 1st day of March, 2021.

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CLERK OF COUNCIL

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PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL