

**COUNTY OF SUMMIT**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**January 3, 2022**

The 2022 Council Organizational Meeting took place at 4:30pm. Councilwoman At-Large Elizabeth Walters was elected President and Councilman At-Large Clair Dickinson was elected Vice President.

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

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:

- 2022-001 Charmaine Thurman from the Department of Job and Family Services addressed Council on this first reading passage request.
- 2022-002 Phil Montgomery from the Executive's Office addressed Council on this first reading passage request.

The Council Regular Meeting was called to order at 05:06 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 December 6, 2021.

Roll Call 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

ANNOUNCEMENT FROM EXECUTIVE: None

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ANNOUNCEMENT OF OFFICEHOLDERS: None

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**MOTIONS FOR COUNCIL**

**M-001-2022 A Motion of Council confirming the appointment of Kristen Scalise (with Stacy Vavruska and Jay Curry as alternates), and the reappointment of Rose DeBord as second alternate to Executive Ilene Shapiro, to the Tax Incentives Review Council.**

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-001-2022 was approved.

**M-002-2022 A Motion of Council confirming the appointment of Trevor Hunt (as alternate for Mayor William Judge) to the Northeast Ohio Four-County Regional Planning & Development Organization (NEFCO) General Policy Board.**

Movant - Ms. Walters

Mr. Feeman 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-002-2022 was approved.

## FIRST READINGS

2022-001     **A Resolution authorizing the Executive, subject to the approval of the Information Technology Board and the Board of Control, to execute a purchase contract with CDW Government for 350 Acer TravelMate laptops, at Public Cooperative Purchasing pricing, in an amount not to exceed \$79,891.00, for the Executive’s Department of Job and Family Services, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro & Ms. Sims

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 failed - 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 2022-001 was adopted.

2022-002     **A Resolution appropriating funds 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 2022-002 was adopted.

- 2022-003     **A Resolution approving the salary adjustment for classified non-bargaining employee Rebecca McCutcheon based upon job performance and pay equity, for the Sheriff, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro  
Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net
- Committee First Readings
- 2022-004     **A Resolution approving the salary adjustment for unclassified non-bargaining employee Robert Michael Velten based upon job performance and pay equity, for the Executive’s Medical Examiner’s Office, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro  
Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net
- Committee First Readings
- 2022-005     **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a construction contract with Workman Industrial Services, Inc. for the Miscellaneous Bridge/Culvert Repair Project to repair culverts in Council Districts 1, 6 and 7, in an amount not to exceed \$252,366.00, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro  
Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net
- Committee First Readings
- 2022-006     **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute an agreement with John S. and Karen A. Randall, in the amount of \$610.00, to acquire a temporary easement over their real property located at 793 Hampshire Road, in Stow and known as Permanent Parcel No. 5609841, as part of the Pump Station 19 Relocation Project Q-452, located in the City of Stow, in Council District 3, 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
- 2022-007     **A Resolution approving the vacation of excess right-of-way along Akron-Cleveland Road between Wyoga Lake Road and the Boston Heights corporate line located in Boston Township, in Council District 1, pursuant to Chapter 5553 of the Ohio Revised Code and Section 125.03 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit, for Council, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Ms. Sims  
Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net
- Committee First Readings

2022-008 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to enter into a Lease Agreement with the City of Akron, for the lease of approximately 372.5 square feet of space in the Ohio Building, located at 175 S. Main Street, Akron, Ohio 44308, in Council District 5, to be used for the City of Akron's Police Auditor, for a month-to-month lease term, 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

Committee First Readings

2022-009 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute, subject to the approval of the Board of Control, a professional service contract with Synergy International Limited, Inc., as a Best Practical Source, for services for the Summit County Upward Mobility Project, to uncover the elements that contribute to poverty in County residents and those elements that boost economic mobility for County residents, for a term of 180 days, for an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 per month, and travel expenses estimated at \$9,000.00, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$129,000.00, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Committee First Readings

2022-010 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract between the Legal Defenders Office of Summit County, Ohio, Inc. and the Summit County Public Defender Commission for legal defender services for indigent persons on behalf of the Summit County Public Defender Commission, for the period 1/1/22 to 12/31/22, in an amount not to exceed \$1,871,000.00, for the Executive and the Summit County Public Defender Commission, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Committee First Readings

2022-011 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute any documents necessary to accept the award from the State of Ohio Attorney General's Office of a Federal Fiscal Year 2022 Victims of Crime Act grant, in the amount of \$205,637.00, with a 20% local cash match requirement of \$51,409.25, the period 10/1/21 through 9/30/22, for the Prosecutor, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Committee First Readings

- 2022-012     **An Ordinance amending Section 199.02 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit, entitled "Expenses," to authorize the Sheriff to accept payment by financial transaction devices for costs related to inmate services, for the Sheriff, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro  
Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net
- Committee First Readings
- 2022-013     **A Resolution authorizing the Executive, subject to the approval of the Board of Control, to execute a Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Agreement with Access, Inc. to provide homeless prevention services, for the period 1/1/22 through 9/30/22, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00, for the Executive's Department of Job and Family Services, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro  
Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net
- Committee First Readings
- 2022-014     **A Resolution authorizing various County offices to make expenditures, in a total combined amount not to exceed \$65,000.00, for hospitality items for events to be held in 2022, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro  
Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net
- Committee First Readings
- 2022-015     **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute grant agreements with various Summit County nonprofit organizations and State mandated entities, in a total amount not to exceed \$581,900.00, for the year 2022, 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
- Committee First Readings

Presentation of New Business:

Presentation of Petitions to address Council:

**Executive Session**

Motion By:

Seconded By:

Motion Type: Roll Call

For:

Against:

Abstain:

Absent:

Outcome:

Call To Order:

Reason:

Adjournment: Council adjourned at 5:14 pm. The next regular meeting will be held January 24, 2022 at 4:30 pm

All deliberations concerning official business and formal actions by this County Council were conducted in an open public meeting this 3rd day of January, 2022.

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CLERK OF COUNCIL

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PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL