

**COUNTY OF SUMMIT**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**March 18, 2024**

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

The following items were addressed before Council at the Caucus:

- 2024-065 Mark Potter from County Council addressed Council on this first reading passage request.
- 2024-066 Holly Miller from Community and Economic Development Department addressed Council on this first reading passage request.
- 2024-067 Bill Holland from the Sheriff's Office addressed Council on this first reading passage request.
- 2024-068 Bill Holland from the Sheriff's Office addressed Council on this first reading passage request.
- 2024-069 Lisa Skapura from the Internal Audit Department addressed Council on this first reading passage request.
- 2024-070 Phil Montgomery from the Executive's Office addressed Council on this first reading passage request.

M-035-2024 Summit County Land Bank Council appointment.

The Council Regular Meeting was called to order at 04:53 PM in Council Chambers.

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

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL: Mrs. Darrow moved to approve the minutes of the regular Council meeting(s) held March 4, 2024.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, Ford, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

ANNOUNCEMENT OF GENERAL INTEREST:

ANNOUNCEMENT FROM EXECUTIVE:

ANNOUNCEMENT OF OFFICEHOLDERS:

## **MOTIONS FOR COUNCIL**

**M-035-2024 A Motion of Council confirming the appointment of Ms. Rita Darrow (replacing Veronica Sims) with Mr. Brandon Ford as alternate to the Summit County Land Reutilization Corporation Board.**

Movant - Executive Shapiro

Mr. Wilhite moved to adopt.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, Ford, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Motion M-035-2024 was adopted.

## **FIRST READINGS**

2024-065      **A Resolution authorizing the publication and legal notices for the proposed public improvement known as the Wye Road Flood Mitigation And Improvements Project - Phase 2 located in Bath Township, and setting dates for the Public Viewing and Public Hearing pursuant to Section 6131.07 of the Ohio Revised Code, for Council, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Mr. Schmidt

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

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, Ford, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Mr. Schmidt moved to adopt.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, Ford, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Resolution 2024-065 was adopted.

2024-066      **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with Protech Security, Inc., as a Best Practical Source, for ProTech Milestone licenses, software, and support for the University of Akron Security Camera Project, located in the City of Akron, in Council District 4, in an amount not to exceed \$283,486.04, for the Executive's Department of Community and Economic Development, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Ms. 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, Ford, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Ms. Dickinson moved to adopt.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, Ford, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Resolution 2024-066 was adopted.

2024-067     **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a purchase contract with Fred Martin Superstore, as a Best Practical Source, for ten 2024 Dodge Durango Pursuit Vehicles, in a total amount not to exceed \$416,680.00, for the Sheriff, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Ms. 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, Ford, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Ms. Dickinson moved to adopt.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, Ford, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Resolution 2024-067 was adopted.

2024-068     **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a purchase contract with Montrose Auto Group, as a Best Practical Source, for seven 2023 Dodge Police Interceptor Utility Vehicles, in a total amount not to exceed \$293,622.46, for the Sheriff, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Ms. 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, Ford, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Ms. Dickinson moved to adopt.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, Ford, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Resolution 2024-068 was adopted.

2024-069      **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute an intergovernmental agreement with the Ohio Auditor of State, for the 2023 financial audit for the County of Summit, in an amount not to exceed \$143,141.00 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.

Roll Call on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, Ford, McKenney, Rodgers, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

No: Schmidt

Motion passed - Roll Call: 10-1

Mr. Donofrio moved to adopt.

Roll Call on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, Ford, McKenney, Rodgers, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

No: Schmidt

Motion passed - Roll Call: 10-1

Resolution 2024-069 was adopted.

2024-070      **A Resolution appropriating funds in order to meet projected expenditures for the balance of 2024 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, Ford, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Mr. Donofrio moved to adopt.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, Ford, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Resolution 2024-070 was adopted.

- 2024-071      **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with EnviroScience, Inc. for the final design of the Copley Ditch and Black Pond Outlet Stream Restoration Project, located in the Copley Township, in Council District 5, in amount not to exceed \$565,018.00, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro  
Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net
- Committee First Readings
- 2024-072      **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a purchase contract with Ken Ganley Ford, at less than CUE Pricing, for four 2024 Ford F150 pickup trucks, in a total amount not to exceed \$167,854.52, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro  
Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net
- Committee First Readings
- 2024-073      **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a purchase contract with Akron Tractor and Equipment, at Sourcewell Pricing, for two Kubota S Series Skid Steers, in a total amount not to exceed \$112,583.42, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro  
Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net
- Committee First Readings
- 2024-074      **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a construction contract with Graystone Construction, at Sourcewell Pricing, for the removal and replacement of the salt dome cover located at 1928 Boston Mills Road, Peninsula, in Council District 1, in an amount not to exceed \$159,690.00, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro  
Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net
- Committee First Readings
- 2024-075      **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to advertise for bids for the purchase of a Tri-Axle Dump Trailer, for an amount not to exceed \$88,000.00, 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

- 2024-076     **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a purchase contract with Brite Computers, as a Best Practical Source, for the purchase of twenty-five (25) in-car Getac computers, in an amount not to exceed \$112,500.00, for the Sheriff, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Committee First Readings

- 2024-077     **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a renewal (fourth and final) of a professional service contract with Sadler-NeCamp Financial Services, Inc. dba Proware, as a Best Practical Source, for case management system software support and maintenance services, for a one-year term, from 1/1/24 through 12/31/24, for an amount not to exceed \$207,930.00, for the Court of Common Pleas-General Division, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Committee First Readings

- 2024-078     **A Resolution approving and adopting the Summit County Hazard Mitigation Plan, for the Executive's Department of Public Safety, Emergency Management Agency, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Committee First Readings

- 2024-079     **A Resolution declaring the month of April 2024 as Autism Acceptance Month in Summit County, recognizing all individuals in our community on the autism spectrum and celebrating the numerous ways in which they contribute to our communities and our lives, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro, Council as a Whole

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

Committee First Readings

- 2024-080     **A Resolution declaring the month of April 2024 as Child Abuse Prevention Month in the County of Summit and encouraging residents to join in this acknowledgement and Wear Blue on April 10, 2024, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro, Council as a Whole

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

Committee First Readings

- 2024-081      **A Resolution declaring the month of April 2024 as Minority Health Month in Summit County, recognizing the health inequalities facing minority communities, and encouraging all health organizations to conduct appropriate programs and activities to promote healthfulness in minority communities, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro, Mr. Ford, Council as a Whole  
Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net
- Committee First Readings
- 2024-082      **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with Ward & Associates for countywide sexennial appraisal services for the valuation of all land and buildings for all commercial, industrial, and exempt and public utilities real estate in Summit County for proper taxation for tax year 2026, in an amount not to exceed \$848,000.00, for the Fiscal Officer, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro  
Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net
- Committee First Readings
- 2024-083      **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with Ward & Associates for appraisal services for the valuation of commercial, industrial, and exempt buildings considered new or altered, and land splits of the same classification, for the 2024 real estate tax year, in an amount not to exceed \$148,000.00, for the Fiscal Officer, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro  
Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net
- Committee First Readings
- 2024-084      **A Resolution authorizing the Executive, subject to the approval of the Board of Control, to execute the purchase of contracts for liability, boiler and machinery, property, and other miscellaneous and necessary insurance coverage, for a one-year term, from 4/15/24 through 4/15/25, in an amount not to exceed \$1,864,524.00, payable through Wichert Insurance Services, Inc. dba Wichert Insurance, for the Executive's Department of Law and Risk Management, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro  
Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net
- Committee First Readings
- 2024-085      **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with Telecommunication Technologies Group, LLC, as a Best Practical Source, for cellular support services, including analysis of current cellular services, bill review and contract management and consulting, for a three-year term, for a total amount not to exceed \$130,000.00, 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



2024-086      **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a renewal (first of two) of a professional service contract with AdvizeX Technologies LLC, for PureStorage Solution for SAN, for a one-year term, from 5/1/2024 through 4/30/2025, in an amount not to exceed \$104,580.00, 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

### **Routine Agenda Motion(s)**

Ms. 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, Ford, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed

Ms. Dickinson moved to adopt.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, Ford, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed

### **ROUTINE LEGISLATION UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO BY COMMITTEE**

2024-053     **A Resolution approving the salary adjustment for classified non-bargaining employee Lori Galloway based upon job performance, increased responsibilities in her job duties and pay equity, for the Sheriff, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Resolution 2024-053 was adopted.

2024-054     **A Resolution enacting a 3.5% 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 April 1, 2024, for the Executive's Department of Human Resources, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Resolution 2024-054 was adopted.

2024-055     **An Amended Resolution authorizing appropriation proceedings for warranty deeds and temporary easements over the real property known as Parcel No. 0500823, Parcel No. 0500524, and Parcel No. 0500589, and Parcel No. 0500484 needed for the Cleveland-Massillon Road Sidewalk Project, located in Bath Township, in Council District 5, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Resolution 2024-055 was adopted.

- 2024-056      **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Akron for the boarding at the Summit County Jail of misdemeanor offenders charged under a City of Akron ordinance or charged with contempt of an Akron Municipal Court Judge, for a term of one-year, from January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$4,928,697.00, for the Executive and Sheriff, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro  
Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net
- Resolution 2024-056 was adopted.
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- 2024-058      **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to advertise for bids for new X-ray equipment for use by the Medical Examiner and her staff, for an estimated total cost not to exceed \$75,900.00, for the Executive's Department of the Medical Examiner, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro  
Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net
- Resolution 2024-058 was adopted.
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- 2024-059      **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of Change Order No. 3 to a professional service contract with Clemans Nelson & Associates, Inc. to provide additional professional services in various negotiations, grievances, arbitrations, and other labor matters, in an amount not to exceed \$9,000.00 (for a cumulative increase of 168.00%), for a total amount not to exceed \$134,000.00, for the Executive's Department of Law and Risk Management and the Sheriff, and declaring an emergency.**
- Sponsor - Executive Shapiro  
Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net
- Resolution 2024-059 was adopted.
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- 2024-060      **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a Temporary Assistance to Needy Families agreement with Emmanuel Christian Academy for Science Technology Engineering Arts and Math ("STEAM") Summer Enrichment Camp Services, from 4/1/24 through 9/30/24, 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
- Resolution 2024-060 was adopted.

2024-061      **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a Temporary Assistance to Needy Families agreement with Emmanuel Christian Academy for Entrepreneurship Summer Camp Services, from 4/1/24 through 9/30/24, 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

Resolution 2024-061 was adopted.

2024-062      **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a Temporary Assistance to Needy Families agreement with Tri-County Jobs for Ohio's Graduates (JOG) for 2024 Summer Youth Employment Program outreach and eligibility services, for the period of 4/1/24 through 8/31/24, in an amount not to exceed \$125,000.00, 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

Resolution 2024-062 was adopted.

2024-063      **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 4/7/24 to 4/6/25, in an amount not to exceed \$120,000.00, for the Office of Information Technology, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Resolution 2024-063 was adopted.

2024-064      **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control, subject to the approval of the Information Technology Board, of a purchase contract with Zix Corporation, as a Best Practical Source, for Office365 service with Zix/AppRiver/OpenText as a Cloud Solution Provider, for a one-year term, from 5/1/24 through 4/30/25, in an amount not to exceed \$248,961.60, for the Office of Information Technology, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Resolution 2024-064 was adopted.

## **SECOND READINGS**

2024-057     **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control, subject to the approval of the Information Technology Board, of a purchase contract with Flock Group, Inc., as a Best Practical Source, for the installation and operation of license plate reader cameras, located in the City of Green, in Council District 8, in an amount not to exceed \$92,100.00, and authorizing the Executive to execute a reimbursement agreement for the amount of \$92,100.00 with the City of Green, for the Sheriff's Office, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

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

Ms. Dickinson moved to adopt.

Roll Call on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, Dickinson, Donofrio, Ford, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

No: DeVitis

Motion passed - Roll Call: 10-1

Ms. Dickinson .

Roll Call on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, Dickinson, Donofrio, Ford, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

No: DeVitis

Motion passed - Roll Call: 10-1

Resolution 2024-057 was adopted.

Presentation of New Business:

Presentation of Petitions to address Council:

**Executive Session**

Motion By:

Seconded By:

Motion Type:

For:

Against:

Abstain:

Absent:

Outcome:

Call To Order:

Reason:

Adjournment: Council adjourned at 5:03 pm. The next regular meeting will be held April 1, 2024 at 4:30 pm

All deliberations concerning official business and formal actions by this County Council were conducted in an open public meeting this 18th day of March, 2024.

Signed by:



CLERK OF COUNCIL

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PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL