

**THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON MARCH 11, 2026, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: PRESIDENT BONNIE J. BATCHLER, VICE PRESIDENT DAVID L. PAINTER, AND MEMBER CLAIRE B. CORCORAN. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER SHORTLY AFTER 10:00 A.M. BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO OUR FLAG.**

**REGULAR SESSION WAS VIDEO RECORDED AND IS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:00 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M. LOCAL TIME. IN ADDITION, THE REGULAR SESSION IS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC VIEWING AT <https://www.youtube.com/user/clermontcounty/playlists>.**

**IN RE: MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION...APPROVED**

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

To approve the Regular Session minutes of **03/09/2026**.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

**CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION:** The Clermont County Board of Commissioners honored and thanked the following people for their heroic efforts in saving Andi Burns during an accident in Clermont County, Ohio:

**Central Joint Emergency Medical Services:** Hunter Ferrell, Isaiah Hartness, Zachary Heizer, and Thomas Jetter

**Clermont County Department of Public Safety Services:** 9-1-1 Operator Stacey Davidson

**Clermont County Sheriff's Office:** Deputy Dylan Bailey, Deputy Chase Jester, and Deputy Jace Canter

**PRESENTATION:** Bill DeHaas, Executive Director, Clermont County Senior Services, presented the 2025 Annual Report, which highlighted the following services of home care, meals, transportation, adult day services, home repairs, case management, lifelong learning centers, and volunteer support. Clermont Senior Services was awarded a transportation grant. This grant will allow a pilot program to extend the transportation hours.

Commissioner Corcoran and Mr. DeHaas gave an overview of the Clermont Seniors' participation in the America 250 Celebration.

Commissioner Batchler said Clermont Senior Services does a great job for the seniors in Clermont County.

**PROCLAMATION:** Commissioner Painter presented a Proclamation designating March 15-21, 2026, as "Spring Severe Weather Awareness Week" in Clermont County.

Anne Benedict, Emergency Management Agency, recommended developing or reviewing an emergency management plan with your family during this spring's severe weather.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Commissioner Batchler stated that a consent agenda has been prepared for the Board of County

Commissioners and asked whether any Board member wanted any items removed for further discussion and consideration, and upon hearing none:

Moved by Commissioner Corcoran, seconded by Commissioner Painter, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

**1. IN RE: TRAINING AND TRAVEL REQUESTS...REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES...APPROVED**

Recommendation to approve the following requests for reimbursement of expenses for training and travel according to the policies and procedures of the Board of County Commissioners and in compliance with the Annual Appropriations for Calendar Year 2026 and any amendments:

**CLERMONT COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

**Sara Partin** – 1 day – Virtual – Cross-Cutting Fundamentals Training Environmental Review – total expenses for registration (\$150.00), estimated not to exceed \$150.00

**CLERMONT COUNTY ENGINEER**

**Mark Schlosser** – 1 day – Smithton, Missouri – Limb Buster LLC Tree Saws Demonstration – total expenses for mileage (\$242.20), estimated not to exceed \$242.20

**CLERMONT COUNTY MUNICIPAL COURT**

**Nathan Little** – 4 days – Columbus, State – Association of Municipal/County Judges Association Winter Conference \*rescheduled – total expenses for lodging (\$417.00), meals (\$320.00), mileage (\$172.20), registration (\$350.00), and other (\$50.00), estimated not to exceed \$1,309.20

**CLERMONT COUNTY PROSECUTOR**

**Melissa McElfresh** – 4 days – Louisville, Kentucky – National Association of Extradition Officials Training Conference – total expenses for lodging (\$523.95), meals (\$320.00), mileage (\$171.10), registration (\$575.00), and other (\$120.00), estimated not to exceed \$1,710.05

**CLERMONT COUNTY RECORDER**

**Timothy Rudd** – 2 days – Dublin, Ohio – Continuing Education Spring Conference – total expenses for lodging (\$149.00), meals (\$136.00), and mileage (\$176.90), estimated not to exceed \$461.90

**CLERMONT COUNTY SAFETY**

**Gary Caudill** – 1 day – Columbus, Ohio – Ohio Safety Congress and Expo – total expenses for other (\$30.00), estimated not to exceed \$30.00

**CLERMONT COUNTY WATER RESOURCES**

**Chelsea Bates** – 2 days – Batavia, Ohio – Ohio Training Committee of Ohio Water Reclamation Workshop/Webinar – total expenses for registration (\$340.00), estimated not to exceed \$340.00

**Chelsea Bates** – 2 days – Perrysville, Ohio – Ohio Training Committee of Ohio Class III & IV Workshop – total expenses for lodging (\$131.00), meals (\$136.00), mileage (\$269.70), and registration (\$390.00), estimated not to exceed \$926.70

**2. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...RESOLUTION TO APPROVE FINANCIAL/BUDGETARY ACTIONS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2026...APPROVED**

Recommendation to resolve to approve and authorize financial and budgetary actions pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.40 relating to changes in the Annual Appropriation in **Resolution Number 186-25** for Calendar Year 2026, including the legal level of control and/or interfund transactions pursuant to Sections 5705.13 through 5705.14 of the Ohio Revised Code as outlined in the following table(s) and to authorize Linda L. Fraley, County Auditor, to record properly:

**BUDGET TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2026**

FUND	FROM: ORGANIZATION - OBJECT - ACCOUNT	TO: ORGANIZATION - OBJECT - ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION	Clermont Transportation Connection REGULAR SALARY 2031 - 08 - 01 - 131000 - 511200 -	Clermont Transportation Connection RETIREMENT PAYOUT 2031 - 08 - 01 - 131000 - 513200 -	\$ 4,414.55

**CASH TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2026**

FROM: FUND - OBJECT - ACCOUNT	TO: FUND - OBJECT - ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
SEWER REVENUE	WATER & SEWER COMBINED SERVICES	\$ 775,000.00
TRANSFERS OUT TO ENTERPRISE 6002 - 12 - 01 - 151000 - 700600 -	OPERATING TRF IN FROM ENTERPR. 6003 - 13 - 01 - 161000 - 480600 -	
WATER REVENUE	WATER & SEWER COMBINED SERVICES	\$ 775,000.00
TRANSFERS OUT TO ENTERPRISE 6001 - 11 - 01 - 141000 - 700600 -	OPERATING TRF IN FROM ENTERPR. 6003 - 13 - 01 - 161000 - 480600 -	

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

**NON-CONSENT AGENDA**

**3. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...RESOLUTION FOR THE PAYMENT OF BILLS...APPROVED**

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation that the Board of County Commissioners adopt **Resolution Number 038-26** to approve payment to vendors **in the total amount of \$2,208,875.61** as outlined in the BCC Approval Invoice Report for Checks dated **March 11, 2026**, BCC Directed Pre-Paid Invoices Report(s), and the Procurement Card Transaction Report as presented by the County Auditor on **03/09/2026**, and further authorizing the County Auditor to issue warrants pursuant to and in compliance with Section 319.16 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

**4. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT... RESOLUTION DETERMINING TO MAKE IMPROVEMENTS FOR PROJECT NUMBER 6402-60168 FOR THE ARROWHEAD WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT ELIMINATION PROJECT LOCATED IN MIAMI TOWNSHIP AND REQUEST TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS...26-0227-004...ADOPTED**

Moved by Commissioner Corcoran, seconded by Commissioner Painter, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following corrected recommendation:

Recommendation to adopt **Resolution Number 039-26** to determine to make improvements for the construction, operation, and maintenance of the Arrowhead Wastewater Treatment Plant

**Elimination Project** located in Miami Township, as outlined in Exhibit A, and designated as **Project Number 6402-60168**, in conformance with the detailed plans, specifications and estimate of cost and financing, and **to approve the request to advertise for bids** for Project Number 6402-60168, pursuant to the plans and specifications, and to authorize the Clerk of the Board to place a Legal Notice in a newspaper of general circulation on Thursday, 03/19/2026, scheduling a non-mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting on Thursday, 04/02/2026, at 1:00 P.M., with bids to be received until **2:00 P.M. Local Time on Thursday, 04/16/2026** in the Office of the Board of County Commissioners, 101 East Main Street, Batavia, Ohio 45103, where they will be publicly opened and read aloud. This notice will also be posted on Clermont County's Home page under "Legal Notices" at the following link: [www.clermontcountyohio.gov](http://www.clermontcountyohio.gov).

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

**5. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT...  
REQUEST TO ADVERTISE FOR COMPETITIVE SEALED PROPOSALS  
FOR SCADA SYSTEM INTEGRATION AND SUPPORT SERVICES  
SAME...26-0211-003...APPROVED**

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation to approve the **request to advertise for Competitive Sealed Proposals** for SCADA System Integration and Support Services, pursuant to the specifications and to authorize the Clerk of the Board to place a Legal Notice in a newspaper of general circulation on Thursday, 03/19/2026, scheduling a non-mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting on Thursday, 04/02/2026 at 10:00 A.M. Local Time, with proposals to be received until **2:00 P.M. Local Time on Thursday, 04/16/2026** in the Office of the Board of Clermont County Commissioners, 101 East Main Street, Batavia, Ohio 45103-2960, where they will be publicly opened and read aloud. This notice will also be posted on Clermont County's website at the following URL link: [www.clermontcountyohio.gov](http://www.clermontcountyohio.gov).

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

**ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS:** Commissioner Batchler asked if there were any additions to the agenda. There are no additional agenda items.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** Citizens requested to address the Board.

Name	Township/City/Organization	Summary
Bill Muse	Milford, Ohio	Mr. Muse spoke regarding his stance of standing alongside Sheriff Stratton in signing ICE's agreement.
Jeannie Sparks	Pierce Township, Ohio	Ms. Sparks spoke about overturning the agreement with ICE and how she has turned from a grandma to a social justice advocate.
Regina Bajorek	New Richmond, Ohio	Ms. Bajorek gave an overview of the Braver Angels event on March 10th and explained the similarities and differences between conservative and liberal values.
Kevin Bruce	Union Township, Ohio	Mr. Bruce thanked Clermont Seniors Services for their work and talked about his volunteer experience. Mr. Bruce spoke regarding Iran and President Eisenhower's life.
Jen Mazzuckelli	Union Township, Ohio	Ms. Mazzuckelli said domestic violence is not just physical abuse. Most people who end up in domestic violence circumstances end up with no money. She believes the County needs to do a better job of caring for women and children and making more sustainable, affordable housing

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** A motion by Commissioner Painter and seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, to go into Executive Session at 11:01 a.m. pursuant to section 121.22 (G)(1), (G)(3) and (G)(8) of the Ohio Revised Code to 1) consider the employment or compensation of a public employee or more public employees, 2) confer with the attorney for the board concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action, and 3) consider confidential information related to the marketing plans, specific business strategy, production techniques, trade secrets, or personal financial statements of an applicant for economic development assistance, or to negotiations with other political subdivisions respecting requests for economic development assistance, in connection with the relocation, location, expansion, improvement, or preservation of the business of such entity pursuant to section 1724.11(b) of the Ohio Revised Code.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** The Board of County Commissioners returned from Executive Session and resumed Regular Session at 12:48 p.m. after 1) considering the employment or compensation of a public employee or more public employees, 2) conferred with the attorney for the board concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action, and 3) considering confidential information related to the marketing plans, specific business strategy, production techniques, trade secrets, or personal financial statements of an applicant for economic development assistance, or to negotiations with other political subdivisions respecting requests for economic development assistance, in connection with the relocation, location, expansion, improvement, or preservation of the business of such entity pursuant to section 1724.11(b) of the Ohio Revised Code, with no action taken and no decisions made.

**COUNTY STAFF/ELECTED OFFICIALS DISCUSSION:** Ronnie Ross, Director, Clermont County Facilities Management Department, gave an overview of the Facilities Management Team, a review of the completed projects, and growth in 2025. In 2026, the Facilities Management Department will continue to prioritize safety, efficiency, and responsibility in future projects, including an improved work order management system and a better perspective of capital projects.

Commissioner Painter asked Mr. Ross to go into more detail about the HVAC system at the County Jail. Mr. Ross said the financial aspect will be higher because additional parts are not working. Capital projects are not set in stone, as emergency projects may arise and require funding. Some projects will be moved to later dates to ensure funds are available, and plans will change as capital projects are pushed back as needed.

**MEMBER COMMENTS:** Commissioner Painter said we are in a changing environment due to the conflict in Iran and to use caution when traveling outside the Country.

**IN RE: ADJOURNMENT...APPROVED**

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, that the Board of County Commissioners, noting no further business to come before the commission for legislative action, adjourned this Regular Session at 1:02 p.m. until the next regularly scheduled session to be held at a later date.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO**

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**BONNIE J. BATCHLER, PRESIDENT**

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**DAVID L. PAINTER, VICE PRESIDENT**

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**CLAIRE B. CORCORAN, MEMBER**

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**GAEL FAWLEY, CLERK OF THE BOARD**

03/18/2026  
**DATE APPROVED**

11<sup>th</sup> The Board of County Commissioners of Clermont County, Ohio, met in regular session on the day of March, 2026, at its regular place of meeting, with the following members present:

Bonnie J. Batchler, President  
David L. Painter, Vice President  
Claire B. Corcoran, Member

Mrs. Corcoran introduced the following resolution and moved its passage:

**RESOLUTION NO. 039-26**

**RESOLUTION DETERMINING TO MAKE IMPROVEMENTS FOR PROJECT NUMBER 6402-60168 KNOWN AS THE ARROWHEAD WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT ELIMINATION PROJECT, AS DESCRIBED IN THE ATTACHED EXHIBIT "A" FOR THE COUNTY WASTEWATER SYSTEM, IN THE CLERMONT COUNTY WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT, CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO.**

**WHEREAS**, this Board of County Commissioners of Clermont County, Ohio, has heretofore established the Clermont County Water Resources Department by consolidation of previously existing subsewer districts in the County and provided for a combined County Wastewater System which is presently being operated and maintained therein; and

**WHEREAS**, this Board of County Commissioners has been advised by the Clermont County Water Resources Department that the improvements described in Exhibit "A" are necessary for the preservation and promotion of the public health and welfare; and

**WHEREAS**, the Clermont County Water Resources Department has made a detailed examination in order to delineate the work necessary for the improvements described in Exhibit "A" and has prepared plans, specifications and bid documents relative to the improvements along with a cost estimate; and

**WHEREAS**, improvements described in Exhibit "A" are valid improvements and expenses attributable to the County Wastewater System in the Clermont County Water Resources Department, Clermont County, Ohio.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of County Commissioners of Clermont County, Ohio, with at least two-thirds of its members concurring as follows:

**SECTION 1.** By this Resolution which ratifies and declares necessity for the detailed plans, specifications and estimates of cost and financing for the Project as described in the attached Exhibit "A" which exhibit is hereby made a part hereof, in said County, is hereby approved, ratified and confirmed.

**SECTION 2.** That this Board of County Commissioners hereby declares it necessary for the preservation and promotion of the public health and welfare to construct said Project as described in the attached Exhibit "A" which exhibit is hereby made a part hereof.

**SECTION 3.** That it is hereby determining to proceed with the Project, in accordance with the detailed plans, specifications, and estimates of cost and financing, as herein ratified and confirmed, and to provide for the receipt of bids for the project pursuant to public advertisement therefore in the manner prescribed by law.

**SECTION 4.** That the work or improvements as described herein shall proceed in accordance with the priority of need and as may be accomplished in conjunction with continued operation of the Clermont County Wastewater System.

**SECTION 5.** Said construction of certain improvements set forth in Exhibit "A" are more particularly described and set out in the plans, specifications, and estimates of cost and financing, which are on file in the office of the Clermont County Water Resources Department, 4400 Haskell Lane, Batavia, Ohio 45103, where they may be examined.

**SECTION 6.** That the entire cost of the Project, including engineering fees, legal fees, and all necessary and incidental expenses in connection therewith shall be paid from one or more of any combination of the Wastewater Capital Improvement Fund, any portion of any federal or state grant or loan should such become available, and/or by the issuance of notes or bonds pursuant to Section 133.08 of the Ohio Revised Code, and payable from revenues derived from sewer rates and charges levied for the operation of the Clermont County Wastewater System.

**SECTION 7.** That this Board of County Commissioners hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the passage of this resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of its committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

**SECTION 8.** That a copy of this resolution be certified to (a) the County Auditor of Clermont County, Ohio, within fifteen (15) days after passage hereof, as provided in Section 319.61 of the Ohio Revised Code, and (b) the County Sanitary Engineer for information.

Mr. Painter seconded the motion and the vote thereon resulted as follows:

Mrs. Batchler, yes;                      Mr. Painter, yes;                      Mrs. Corcoran, yes.

PASSED: 3/11/2026

Gael Fawley  
Gael Fawley, Clerk  
Board of County Commissioners,  
Clermont County, Ohio

Approved as to form only:  
Mark J. Tekulve, Prosecutor  
Clermont County, Ohio

By: Mark J. Tekulve  
Assistant Prosecutor

Dated: March 4, 2026

CERTIFICATE

The undersigned, Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners of Clermont County, Ohio, hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 039-26 passed by the Board of County Commissioners of Clermont County, Ohio, on March 11, 2016 and that a copy thereof was certified to the County Auditor and the Clermont County Water Resources Department.



Gael Fawley, Clerk  
Board of County Commissioners,  
Clermont County, Ohio

**EXHIBIT "A"**

Resolution No. 039-26

Adopted 3/11, 2026

**ARROWHEAD WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT ELIMINATION  
PROJECT NO. 6402-60168**

This project consists of the construction of a new sanitary sewer lift station, approximately 3,703 LF of 8" and 12" PVC gravity sewer main, and approximately 1,523 LF of 6" DIP sewer force main to eliminate the existing Arrowhead Wastewater Treatment Plant. The Project, located in Miami Township, includes demolition of the existing Arrowhead WWTP, as well as, pump replacements, piping & electrical improvements at the Lewis Road Pump Station.

Estimated Annual Operation & Maintenance Cost.....\$ 5,000.00

Estimated Impact of Project on Operation & Maintenance Cost.....\$ 0.00

Estimated Total Project Cost.....\$ 6,432,909.00

Source of Funds: One or more of any combination of the Wastewater Capital Improvement Fund, any portion of any federal or state grant or loan should such become available, and/or by the issuance of notes or bonds pursuant to Section 133.08 of the Ohio Revised Code, and payable from revenues derived from sewer rates and charges levied for the operation of the Clermont County Wastewater System.