

THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON APRIL 8, 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 **04/01/2026**.

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

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

NEW EMPLOYEE INTRODUCTIONS: The Board welcomed new employees and thanked them for choosing to work for Clermont County.

PROCLAMATION: Commissioner Batchler presented a Proclamation designating April 12-18, 2026, as "National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week" in Clermont County.

Jessica Wiederhold, Director, Department of Public Safety Services, thanked the Board for their support in recognizing the dispatchers. Ms. Wiederhold is very proud of the staff at the Department of Public Safety Services for everything they do for Clermont County residents.

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION: The Board presented a Certificate of Recognition to Debbie Hines, Clermont Senior Services, Community Advocacy and Protection for Seniors (C.A.P.S.), for receiving an Honorable Thomas A. Swift Collaborative Leadership Award for advocating and protecting Clermont County seniors.

Debbie Hines said she is dedicated to educating and raising awareness of elder abuse for Clermont County seniors.

Bill DeHass of Clermont Senior Services said Ms. Hines built the CAPS program from the ground up and thanked her for protecting seniors in Clermont County.

PRESENTATION: Gary Knepp, Clermont County's honorary historian, sponsored by Clermont County America 250, shared an American History Moment featuring Elizabeth Archard Conner, a New Richmond, Ohio native. Mr. Knepp is sharing American Moments to honor the America 250 Celebration at the following website: <https://www.discoverclermont.com/america250/blog/>.

PRESENTATION: Josh Torbeck, Director, Clermont County Park District, gave an overview of the Clermont County Park District renewal levy on the May 5, 2026, Primary Election Ballot.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Citizens requested to address the Board.

Name	Township/City/Organization	Summary
Jen Mazzuckelli	Union Township, Ohio	Ms. Mazzuckelli said April is alcohol awareness month, and alcohol causes domestic abuse. Ms. Mazzuckelli spoke about her own experiences with alcohol and substance abuse, which led her to be involved in a domestic abuse situation. Ms. Mazzuckelli spoke regarding the moral grounds for the war in Iran.
Kevin Bruce	Union Township, Ohio	Mr. Bruce said the war in Iran is concerning for the children and thinks we will see famine like never before. Mr. Bruce paraphrased a quote from President George W. Bush and gave an overview of President George Washington.

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: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...MOTION TO APPROVE MASTER SERVICE AGREEMENT(S)...APPROVED

Recommendation to authorize the County Administrator, or the Assistant County Administrator, to approve Master Service Agreement(s) for the terms and conditions specified in the agreement(s) and contingent upon the release of the required purchase order(s) as outlined below:

Vendor	MSA Service	Term
Spirit Seminars and Consulting P.O. Box 18-032 Fairfield, Ohio 45018 DC# 26-0325-005	Management training services	04/08/2026 through 04/07/2028
Cornerstone Development, Inc. 3047 Pond Run Road New Richmond, Ohio 45157 DC# 26-0325-001	Stormwater maintenance and repair	04/08/2026 through 04/07/2029
Fenton Rigging & Contracting, Inc. 2150 Langdon Farm Road Cincinnati, Ohio 45237 DC# 26-0325-002	Crane and rigging maintenance and services *Renewal	05/22/2026 through 05/21/2029

2. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY SHERIFF...ACKNOWLEDGE, AUTHORIZE AND EXECUTE THE EXTRADITION TRANSPORT REIMBURSEMENT FUND 2025 GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION AND SUBGRANT AWARD AGREEMENT AWARDED BY THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, OFFICE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES FOR FUNDING OF THE CLERMONT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE EXTRADITION PROJECT...26-0324-001...EXECUTED

Recommendation to acknowledge the filing by the Clermont County Sheriff as the designated agency for grant administration of the Extradition Transport Reimbursement Fund 2025 Grant Program Application and Subgrant Award Agreement for Subgrant Number 2025-EX-OOS-46906 awarded by the Ohio Department of Public Safety, Office of Criminal Justice Services, 1970 West Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43218-2632, for funding of the project entitled Clermont County Sheriff's Office Extradition, for funds in the amount of \$589.10, with no local match required, for the period of 07/15/2025 through 06/06/2026, and further to authorize Bonnie J. Batchler, President, Board of Clermont County Commissioners, to execute the grant agreement in compliance with all terms and conditions.

3. 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 COMMON PLEAS

Austin Eversole, Jeremy Gaskins, Rodney Croom, Ryan Vogel, and Sean Morrow – 1 day – West Union, Ohio – Tactical Defense Training – total expenses for registration (\$500.00), estimated not to exceed \$500.00

Jason Endres, Justin DiMario, and Justin Longbottom – 2 days – Columbus, Ohio – Ohio Chief Probation Officers Association Annual Line Officers Training – total expenses for lodging (\$735.00), meals (\$480.00), mileage (\$464.00), registration (\$1,050.00), and other (\$72.00), estimated not to exceed \$2,801.00

CLERMONT COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

Dorothy Meier – 2 days – Westerville, Ohio – Regional Child Welfare Collaboration Training – total expenses for lodging (\$250.00), meals (\$148.00), and other (\$48.00), estimated not to exceed \$446.00

CLERMONT COUNTY DOMESTIC COURT

Allan Edwards and Mary Lynne Birck – 1 day – Mason, Ohio – 12th Appellate District Judicial Conference and Appellate Seminar – total expenses for mileage (\$50.75), and registration (\$250.00), estimated not to exceed \$300.75

CLERMONT COUNTY JUVENILE/PROBATE COURT

James Shriver – 1 day – Mason, Ohio – 12th Appellate District Judicial Conference and Appellate Seminar – total expenses for mileage (\$39.15), and registration (\$125.00), estimated not to exceed \$164.15

CLERMONT COUNTY MUNICIPAL COURT

Katherine Terpstra, Matthew Graber, and Nathan Little – 1 day – Mason, Ohio – 12th Appellate District Judicial Conference and Appellate Seminar – total expenses for mileage (\$126.15), registration (\$375.00), and other (\$150.00), estimated not to exceed \$651.15

CLERMONT COUNTY OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

Chelsea Henize-Himes – 1 day – Cincinnati, Ohio – Annual Construction Procurement Seminar for Public Entities – total expenses for registration (\$199.00), estimated not to exceed \$199.00

CLERMONT COUNTY SHERIFF

Joshua Oberschlake and Marc McDonald – 2 days – Dayton, Ohio – Recertification for Pepperball Instructor – total expenses for registration (\$1,300.00), estimated not to exceed \$1,300.00

William Crouch – 5 days – Maineville, Ohio – FBI Law Enforcement Executive Development Seminar Command Leadership Training – total expenses for registration (\$795.00), estimated not to exceed \$795.00

4. IN RE: PERSONNEL ACTIONS...APPROVED

Recommendation to approve the following personnel actions **contingent upon the successful completion of a background check and drug screen for new hires/rehires:**

*The official record of personnel-related proceedings of the Clermont County, Ohio Board of County Commissioners is available for public inspection upon request, Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. local time.

5. 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 OVERTIME 2031 - 08 - 01 - 131000 - 512100 -	\$ 20,000.00

CASH ADVANCE OF FUNDS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2025

FROM: FUND - OBJECT - ACCOUNT	TO: FUND - OBJECT - ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION ADVANCES OUT TO GEN FUND 2031 - 08 - 01 - 131000 - 702100 - REPAY ADVANCE 3/18/2025	GENERAL FUND ADVANCES IN FROM SPEC REVENUE 1000 - 01 - 01 - 032329 - 482200 -	\$ 50,000.00

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

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

NON-CONSENT AGENDA

6. 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 052-26** to approve payment to vendors **in the total amount of \$4,334,684.80** as outlined in the BCC Approval Invoice Report for Checks dated **April 8, 2026**, BCC Directed Pre-Paid Invoices Report(s), and the Procurement Card Transaction Report as presented by the County Auditor on **04/06/2026**, 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.

7. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES...AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE JOE BURROW "DO GOOD" GRANT...26-0331-002...APPROVED

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

Recommendation to authorize Dorothy Meier, Director, Clermont County Job and Family Services, to submit the Joe Burrow Foundation "Do Good" Grant Application for funding in the amount of \$10,000.00, with no local match required, relative to food insecurity and mental health initiatives, targeting older at-risk youth in independent living, emancipated young adults, and low-income families in emergencies, from May 1, 2026, through April 30, 2029.

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

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

8. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES...AUTHORIZING THE CLERMONT COUNTY JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES' "COST-PER-COPY PROGRAM"... 26-0325-004...APPROVED

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

Recommendation to authorize Dorothy Meier, Director, Clermont County Department of Job and Family Services, to execute all documents regarding participation in the Ohio Department of Administrative Services "Cost-Per-Copy Program" to include program participation documents, which include a Cost per Copy Equipment Request Form for the provision of printer devices and copier services at the County Medical Social Services Building located at 2400 Clermont Center Drive, Batavia, Ohio 45103, for a term of 5 years, for each copier, printer, or other electronic device utilizing the DAS "Cost-Per-Copy Program."

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

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

9. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY ENGINEER...ACCEPTANCE OF THE CONTRACT FOR PROJECT NUMBER LS-09-23 WITH W.E. SMITH CONSTRUCTION RELATIVE TO THE 2023 LANDSLIDES LOCATED IN VARIOUS TOWNSHIPS, AS COMPLETE AND EXECUTION OF PAYMENT NUMBER 5, FINAL, FOR THE RELEASE OF RETAINAGE...24-0426-003...APPROVED

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

Recommendation to accept the Contract between the County of Clermont, Ohio, and W.E. Smith Construction, 2030 Bauer Road, Blanchester, Ohio 45107, relative to the 2023 Landslides Project No. LS-09-23 located in various townships, as complete as of 05/13/2025, and to authorize Payment Number 5, Final, which represents the release of retainage in the amount of \$23,676.39, plus any accrued interest earned.

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

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

10. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY ENGINEER...REQUEST TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR PROJECT NUMBER TA-15-24 RELATIVE TO THE SPRING GROVE ROAD (C114-0.43) BRIDGE REHABILITATION PROJECT LOCATED IN TATE TOWNSHIP...26-0330-003...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 bids for Project Number TA-15-24 relative to the Spring Grove Road Bridge Rehabilitation (C114-0.43) located in Tate Township, 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 04/16/2026 with bids to be received until **2:00 P.M. Local Time on Thursday, 04/30/2026**, using Bid Express Service at www.bidexpress.com. This notice is also posted on Clermont County's website at the following link: www.clermontcountyohio.gov.

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

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

11. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT...GRANT AWARD THROUGH THE OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (OHIO EPA) RELATIVE TO SOURCE WATER PROTECTION STRATEGIES...26-0325-003...APPROVED

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

Recommendation to acknowledge the submission and receipt of funds through the Grant Award for Source Water Protection Strategies from the Ohio EPA, Division of Drinking and Ground Waters, P.O. Box 1049, Columbus, Ohio 43216-1049, in an amount not-to-exceed \$13,835.00, with no local match required, to assist with purchasing and implementation of source water protection strategies for the Clermont County Water Resources Department and further to authorize Joel Gross, Director, Clermont County Water Resources, to execute the grant agreement.

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

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

12. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT... RESOLUTION DETERMINING TO MAKE IMPROVEMENTS FOR PROJECT NUMBER 6401-60270 FOR THE BUCKWHEAT ROAD WATER SERVICE TRANSFERS PROJECT LOCATED IN MIAMI TOWNSHIP AND REQUEST TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS...26-0326-005...ADOPTED

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

Recommendation to adopt **Resolution Number 053-26** to determine to make improvements for the construction, operation, and maintenance of the Buckwheat Road Water Service Transfers Project located in Miami Township, as outlined in Exhibit A, and designated as Project Number 6401-60270, 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 6401-60270, 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, 04/16/2026, scheduling a non-mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting on Thursday, 04/30/2026, at 1:00 P.M., with bids to be received until **2:00 P.M. Local Time on Thursday, 05/14/2026** 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.

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

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

13. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT...EXECUTE AGREEMENTS WITH VETERANS VILLAGE CHC, LLC, FOR THE HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM (HOME) PROJECT KNOWN AS VETERANS VILLAGE FOR FISCAL YEARS 2023 AND 2024...26-0331-004...EXECUTED

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

Recommendation to execute the following Agreements between the Board of County Commissioners of Clermont County, Ohio, and Veterans Village CHC, LLC, for funding with the Home Investment Partnership Program (HOME) Program for Fiscal Years 2023 and 2024 in compliance with the terms and conditions of the agreements outlined below and contingent upon the receipt of the required purchase orders:

Subrecipient	Address	CDBG Project Name	Agreement	Contract Term
Veterans Village CHC, LLC	65 S. Market St. Batavia, OH 45103	Veterans Village	HOME Regulatory Agreement	04/08/2026 to 04/08/2046
			HOME Project Commitment Agreement	04/08/2026 to 04/08/2046
			Replacement Reserve Agreement	04/08/2026 to 04/08/2046

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

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

14. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER TO THE CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH GARMANN MILLER & ASSOCIATES, INC...21-0610-001...EXECUTED

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

Recommendation to authorize Bonnie J. Batchler, President of the Board, to execute a Change Order to the Contract for Professional Services with Garmann Miller & Associates, Inc., 38 South Lincoln Drive, P.O. Box 71, Minster, Ohio 45865, previously approved and executed by the Board of County Commissioners on December 6, 2021, to add the design services required for the relocation of the current Old Fleet Building generator to the existing Service Center Building which represents an increase in the amount of \$7,500.00 for a total adjusted contract price in the amount of \$1,875,165.45.

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

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

15. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...EXECUTION OF LETTER OF INTENT TO RENEW THE LEASE AGREEMENT AND CONTRACT WITH GREATER CINCINNATI BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE OPERATION OF THE CLERMONT COUNTY COMMUNITY ALTERNATIVE SENTENCING CENTER FOR ONE YEAR...23-0331-003...EXECUTED

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

Recommendation to authorize Bonnie J. Batchler, President of the Board of County

Commissioners, to execute a Letter of Intent to renew the Contract with Greater Cincinnati Behavioral Health Services for the operation of the Clermont County Community Alternative Sentencing Center (CASC) for the period of June 3, 2026, through June 2, 2027, pursuant to Section 3 of the Contract for Services ratified by the Board of County Commissioners on May 24, 2023, which represents the third of four one-year renewal options, and to renew the relative lease agreement for the period of June 3, 2026, through June 2, 2027.

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.

COUNTY STAFF/ELECTED OFFICIALS DISCUSSION: Ursula Miller, Communications Coordinator, Office of Public Information, gave an update on America 250 in Clermont County, Ohio. Some upcoming events include a student art show on May 14, 2026, and a Great American Birthday Party and art show on June 15, 2026. Clermont County Library has reached out for a story time for the politicians to attend in the Summer.

Emily Akers, Director, Office of Management and Budget, gave an update on the opioid funds the County has received from settlements in opioid lawsuits.

Ryan Spitzer, Legal Counsel for the Board, Isaac Wiles Law Firm, has drafted an initial grant agreement for the distribution of these funds to other agencies.

LeeAnn Watson, Executive Director of the Mental Health and Recovery Board, provided information on the collaboration with other counties for residential treatment centers. The County does have a behavioral health center for abuse, substance abuse, and assistance for children. Any questions can be answered by calling 988 or 528-SAVE for services offered by the Clermont County Mental Health & Recovery Board.

Ms. Watson said the future Crisis Receiving Center will fill a significant gap in the County in mental health and recovery services. Ms. Watson said the expenses are higher than anticipated and requested that the funds be received as a lump sum rather than as reimbursable expenses. The operational budget went from \$1.7M to \$2.3M. Ms. Watson said \$1.3M yearly upfront could last through 2031.

The Board discussed the options of the potential agreement with the Mental Health and Recovery Board. An agreement will be drafted to distribute \$1.3M as a lump sum to the Clermont County Mental Health and Recovery Board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: A motion by Commissioner Painter and seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, to go into Executive Session at 11:25 a.m. pursuant to section 121.22 (G)(2) of the Ohio Revised Code to consider the purchase of property for public purposes if premature disclosure of information would give an unfair competitive or bargaining advantage to a person whose personal, private interest is adverse to the general public interest.

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 11:47 a.m. after considering the purchase of property for public purposes if premature disclosure of information would give an unfair competitive or bargaining advantage to a person whose personal, private interest is adverse to the general public interest, with no action taken and no decisions made.

MEMBER COMMENTS: Commissioner Painter said do not forget to vote. Early voting has started.

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 11:47 a.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**

BONNIE J. BATCHLER, PRESIDENT

DAVID L. PAINTER, VICE PRESIDENT

CLAIRE B. CORCORAN, MEMBER

GAEL FAWLEY, CLERK OF THE BOARD

04/13/2026
DATE APPROVED

PTA

The Board of County Commissioners of Clermont County, Ohio, met in regular session on the day of April, 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

Mr. Painter introduced the following resolution and moved its passage:

RESOLUTION NO. 053-26

RESOLUTION DETERMINING TO MAKE IMPROVEMENTS FOR PROJECT NUMBER 6401-60270 KNOWN AS THE BUCKWHEAT ROAD WATER SERVICE TRANSFERS PROJECT, AS DESCRIBED IN THE ATTACHED EXHIBIT "A" FOR THE COUNTY WATERWORKS 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 districts; 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 to provide an adequate water supply for consumption and fire protection; 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 Waterworks 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 and to provide an adequate water supply for consumption and fire protection to construct Project as described in the attached Exhibit "A" which exhibit is hereby made a part hereof.

SECTION 3. That it is hereby determined 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 Waterworks 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 Waterworks 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 water rates and charges levied for the operation of the Clermont County Waterworks 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.

Mrs. Corcoran seconded the motion and the vote thereon resulted as follows:

Mrs. Batchler, yes;

Mr. Painter, yes;

Mrs. Corcoran, yes.

PASSED: 4/8/2026

ATTEST:

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 31, 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. 053-26 passed by the Board of County Commissioners of Clermont County, Ohio on 4/8/2026 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. 053-26

Adopted 4/8, 2026

**BUCKWHEAT ROAD WATER SERVICE TRANSFERS
PROJECT NO. 6401-60270**

This project consists of the cutting and capping of approximately 2,958 linear feet of an existing 8" cast iron water main to an existing 16" ductile iron water main along Buckwheat Road between SR 28 to Hunt Club Drive in Miami Township. The work also includes the transferring of water services and fire hydrants from the existing 8" main to the newer 16" main, as well as, the installation of new fire hydrants to replace outdated ones.

Estimated Annual Operation & Maintenance Cost.....\$ 0.00

Estimated Total Project Cost.....\$ 252,000.00

Source of Funds: One or more of any combination of the Waterworks 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 water rates and charges levied for the operation of the Clermont County Waterworks System.