

Present: President Christopher R. Modranski, Vice President Robert E. Wirkner, and Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II.
Also present to observe: Thomas Clapper, Free Press Standard.

IN THE MATTER OF
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

 9:01 AM
Commissioner Modranski asked that everyone join in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

IN THE MATTER OF
ROLL CALL / BOARD MEETING ATTENDANCE

 9:02 AM
Commissioner Leggett: Present; Commissioner Wirkner: Present; Commissioner Modranski: Present.

IN THE MATTER OF
RECORDINGS OF PROCEEDINGS

 9:02 AM
Melissa N. Schaar, Clerk certified that the entire recording of the proceedings at the prior meetings are captured completely and accurately in the electronic record and are available at the office.

IN THE MATTER OF
MINUTES

Motion: to approve the summary of the minutes from the regular meeting of Monday, April 20, 2026 and electronic recording of the proceedings, **Action:** Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: President Christopher R. Modranski, Vice President Robert E. Wirkner, and Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II; NEY: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Vice President Robert E. Wirkner, **Seconded by** Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II.
Motion carried on unanimous vote.
 9:02 AM

IN THE MATTER OF
EXPENSES

Motion: to approve the following travel and membership expenses:

NAME, TITLE	DEPT.	EVENT	LOCATION	DATE	AMOUNT (not to exceed)
April D. Mayle, Assistant Clerk I	Commissioners	HARCATUS Board Meeting	New Phila., OH	Retroactive to 4/22/26	\$40.00
Lynda Wickline, Director	Economic Development	Village of Minerva meeting	Minerva, OH	Retroactive to 4/21/26	\$10.00
Lynda Wickline, Director Eva Johnson, Assistant Director	Economic Development	Appalachian Ohio meeting	Mineral City, OH	4/23/26	\$85.00
Lynda Wickline, Director Eva Johnson, Assistant Director	Economic Development	EOA Annual Meeting	Walnut Creek, OH	4/24/26	\$130.00
Lynda Wickline, Director	Economic Development	OMEGA TAC	New Phila., OH	4/28/26	\$25.00
Lynda Wickline, Director	Economic Development	Finance and Incentives Core Course	Columbus, OH	5/7-8/26	\$1,040.00
Lynda Wickline, Director	Economic Development	Ohio Basic Economic Development Course	Dublin, OH	5/31/26–6/4/26	\$1,190.00
Lynda Wickline, Director	Economic Development	Business Retention and Expansion	Dublin, OH	6/24-26/26	\$1,055.00

Action: Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: President Christopher R. Modranski, Vice President Robert E. Wirkner, and Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II; NEY: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II, **Seconded by** Vice President Robert E. Wirkner.
Motion carried on unanimous vote.
 9:02 AM

IN THE MATTER OF
APPROPRIATION(S)

Motion: to approve the following appropriation(s):

FUND	NAME	CODE	AMOUNT
20994	Contract Services – Bldg Demo & Site Revita Program FY22-24 – Commissioners	20994-61056-53300	\$22,414.00
20000	Health Insurance – Dog & Kennel	20000-21300-51100	\$25,000.00

Action: Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: President Christopher R. Modranski, Vice President Robert E. Wirkner, and Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II; NEY: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Vice President Robert E. Wirkner, **Seconded by** Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II.
Motion carried on unanimous vote.
 9:02 AM

IN THE MATTER OF
APPROPRIATION AMENDMENT(S)

Motion: to approve the following appropriation amendment(s):

FUND	FROM		TO		AMOUNT
	NAME	CODE	NAME	CODE	
10000	Liability Insurance – Commissioners – Bonds/Insurance	10000-11260-51104	Small Tools and Minor Equipment – Commissioners	10000-11001-54440	\$11,770.08

Action: Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: President Christopher R. Modranski, Vice President Robert E. Wirkner, and Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II; NEY: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II, **Seconded by** Vice President Robert E. Wirkner. Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:03 AM

IN THE MATTER OF
PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion: to approve bills submitted for payment and to authorize the County Auditor to issue her warrant on the County Treasury for payment of same, **Action:** Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: President Christopher R. Modranski, Vice President Robert E. Wirkner, and Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II; NEY: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Vice President Robert E. Wirkner, **Seconded by** Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II. Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:03 AM

IN THE MATTER OF
PAYMENT OF BILLS WITHOUT PRIOR CERTIFICATION:
REVISED CODE 5705.41

Motion: to approve payment of the following for materials or services purchased without a proper purchase order and certification and the County Auditor is authorized to issue her warrant for payment of same:

COUNTY: Mahoning County Treasurer, \$11,443.00; Village of Carrollton, \$106.75; Henschen & Associates Inc., \$620.62; and Ohio Tactical Officers Association, \$450.00.
DJFS: Billy Big Rig CDL Institute LLC, \$5,900.00; and Document Concepts, \$2,711.00.

Action: Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: President Christopher R. Modranski, Vice President Robert E. Wirkner, and Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II; NEY: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II, **Seconded by** Vice President Robert E. Wirkner. Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:03 AM

IN THE MATTER OF
SPECIAL HAULING PERMIT
DENOON LUMBER COMPANY, LLC

Motion: to approve a special hauling permit to Denoon Lumber Company, LLC for hauling over Chapel Road (CR 63) and Antiqua Road (CR 11) in Union Township; a \$50,000.00 bond has been provided as required by Brian J. Wise, Engineer, **Action:** Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: President Christopher R. Modranski, Vice President Robert E. Wirkner, and Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II; NEY: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Vice President Robert E. Wirkner, **Seconded by** Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II. Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:03 AM

IN THE MATTER OF
BID ACCEPTANCE
CARROLL COUNTY 2026 RESURFACING PROJECT H-1-2026

Motion: to accept the bid from Northstar Asphalt, Inc. of North Canton, Ohio in the amount of \$629,894.00 for the Carroll County 2026 Resurfacing Project H-1-2026, as recommended by Brian J. Wise, Carroll County Engineer; this acceptance is contingent upon the release of project agreements for Funding Round 40 State Capital Improvement Program (SCIP) and Local Transportation Improvement Program (LTIP), **Action:** Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: President Christopher R. Modranski, Vice President Robert E. Wirkner, and Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II; NEY: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II, **Seconded by** Vice President Robert E. Wirkner. Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:04 AM

IN THE MATTER OF
CONTRACT AMENDMENT
CAR CR54 1.17 CANYON RD RESURFACING PROJECT, PID#122476

 9:05 AM

Commissioner Modranski advised that the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) required some language to be added to the contract for the CAR CR54 1.17 Canyon Road Pavement Resurfacing Project.

Motion: to approve an addendum for the contract approved April 2, 2026 with Northstar Asphalt, Inc. of North Canton, Ohio in the amount of \$345,785.00 for the CAR CR54 1.17 Canyon Road Pavement Resurfacing Project PID #122476, **Action:** Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: President Christopher R. Modranski, Vice President Robert E. Wirkner, and Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II; NEY: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Vice President Robert E. Wirkner, **Seconded by** Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II. Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:05 AM

IN THE MATTER OF
RESOLUTION 2026-20
INCREASE SEWER RATES

 9:06 AM

Commissioner Modranski read the proclamation. Commissioner Leggett advised that with increasing power costs and the cost of pumps, Carroll County Environmental Services needs to keep up with the times. It is better to have gradual increases rather than one huge increase in five years.

Motion: to adopt resolution 2026-20 to increase sewer rates for customers of Carroll County Environmental Services, **Action:** Upon the call of the roll, vote was recorded as follows: YEA: President Christopher R. Modranski, Vice President Robert E. Wirkner, and Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II; NEY: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II, **Seconded by** Vice President Robert E. Wirkner. Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:08 AM

RESOLUTION 2026-20

A RESOLUTION TO INCREASE SEWER RATES FOR CUSTOMERS OF CARROLL COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Carroll County, Ohio has declared the necessity of establishing a new monthly sewer fee schedule for sewer customers of Carroll County Environmental Services.

WHEREAS, the amount of fees generated by the current sewer fee schedule is insufficient to address the increased cost of providing and maintaining a functioning sanitary sewer system; and

WHEREAS, the proposed establishment of a new monthly sewer fee rate will provide sufficient coverage of the increasing costs of operations and capital improvements, to protect the health and safety of the residents of Carroll County, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Carroll County, Ohio have determined the need to increase current rates by \$2.00 per month effective January 1, 2027; and

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Carroll County, Ohio, that:

- Section 1. A \$2.00 per month adjustment shall go into effect January 1, 2027.
- Section 2. A list of the updated rates that will go into effect on January 1, 2027 have been attached to this resolution (See Exhibit A).

RESOLVED FURTHER that this Board of County Commissioners hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the adoption of this resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board and that all deliberations of this Board which resulted in this formal action were taken in meetings open to the public in full compliance with applicable legal requirements, including ORC 121.22.

Mr. Leggett moved for the adoption of the preceding Resolution;
Mr. Wirkner seconded the motion.
Upon call of the roll the vote was recorded as follows:

Mr. Leggett, yes ; Mr. Modranski, yes ; Mr. Wirkner, yes .

Motion carried on unanimous vote. Resolution adopted this 23rd day of April, 2026.

ATTEST:

/s/ Melissa N. Schaar
Melissa N. Schaar, Clerk

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF CARROLL COUNTY, OHIO

/s/ Christopher R. Modranski
Christopher R. Modranski, President

/s/ Robert E. Wirkner
Robert E. Wirkner, Vice President

/s/ Donald E. Leggett II
Donald E. Leggett II, Commissioner

IN THE MATTER OF
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY
WILLIAMS DONATION FOR DRONE

 9:09 AM

Tom Cottis, Emergency Management Agency (EMA) Director, Dustin Lucas, EMA Deputy Director, Larry Couch, representing Williams and Scott Golden, representing Williams were present in session. Mr. Cottis advised that the move to the Annex building has allowed them to get some updated equipment that will make their jobs easier. Mr. Cottis advised that the EMA received a donation of smart boards from the Carroll County Board of Developmental Disabilities and Mr. Lucas has been working hard to get them up and running. The missing link is a drone. Mr. Cottis advised that he has been looking at drones for a while. After some events in recent months, a drone is needed. Williams has a community partner program. Mr. Cottis advised that he applied for a portion of the drone cost. He has also sent applications to other energy partners, to cover the cost of the drone. Mr. Couch advised that the grant is from William’s community giving program. Their primary focus this year and moving forward is emergency response departments. Mr. Golden presented a check for \$10,000.00 towards the purchase of the drone. Commissioner Leggett asked if the drone would be able to be directed right to the smart boards. Mr. Cottis advised that it will. Commissioner Leggett advised that Mr. Lucas gave him a tour of the smart boards and they are very interesting. Mr. Cottis advised the drone will advance the whole response program

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county-wide. Commissioner Wirkner advised that the drone is a safety tool because it can go into unsafe areas. The cost of the drone is approximately \$35,000.00. Commissioner Modranski asked if the drone can be launched from the office or taken to the scene. Mr. Cottis advised that it will be launched from the scene and will feed to the smartboards. Mr. Cottis advised that he and Mr. Lucas will get the training to pilot the drone and there are others in the county that are trained. EMA will join the Northeast Ohio Drone Association and have mutual aid agreements. Mr. Lucas advised that a drone has been discussed for several years, but the EMA office didn't have the infrastructure. Mr. Cottis advised that they have the computers now, they just need to get the drone. Commissioner Leggett thanked Williams and the other donors for their donations. Commissioner Modranski advised that Williams has been around the county for a while and asked Mr. Couch and Mr. Golden to briefly explain what Williams does. Mr. Couch and Mr. Golden recapped their experience in the oil and gas industry and with Williams. Mr. Golden advised that Williams is midstream, handling processes from the wellhead to the servicer. Mr. Cottis advised that Williams is great to work with. They always invite EMA to their tabletop exercises. Commissioner Wirkner advised that this all ties into local emergency planning. Mr. Cottis advised that Mr. Couch serves on the County's Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC). Commissioner Modranski advised that he can't say thank you enough for the donation. Commissioner Modranski advised that Williams is probably one of the longest oil and gas vendors in the county and they have always been respectful.

IN THE MATTER OF
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY
EMPG GRANT

 9:20 AM

Tom Cottis, Emergency Management Agency (EMA) Director appeared before the Board to ask for permission to apply for the Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) grant. Mr. Cottis advised that he will receive the packet tomorrow; a correction needed made by the State. The FY25 EMPG grant is \$45,452.00 for Carroll County. The grant funds require a 50/50 match and will be used for wage reimbursement. Mr. Cottis advised this is the 23rd year that Carroll County has received the grant.

Motion: to authorize Tom Cottis, EMA Director, to sign the EMPG Grant Agreement, **Action:** Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: President Christopher R. Modranski, Vice President Robert E. Wirkner, and Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II; NEY: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Vice President Robert E. Wirkner, **Seconded by** Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II. Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:22 AM

IN THE MATTER OF
CLERK'S REPORT

 9:23 AM

April D. Mayle, Assistant Clerk I appeared before the Board to advise residents that the Carroll County General Health District is partnering with Loudon Township to collect tires on Tuesday, April 28, 2026, from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Loudon Township garage located at 8295 Germano Road SE, Carrollton. The event is open to any Carroll County residents. Any type of tire is accepted and eight tires per Carroll County residential address will be accepted with no fees. For more information, residents can call 330-323-0284.

IN THE MATTER OF
CLERK'S REPORT

 9:23 AM

April D. Mayle, Assistant Clerk I appeared before the Board to advise that Ohiomeansjobs Carroll County has posted several jobs on their Facebook page. There are lots of jobs in Carrollton and the surrounding area. Ms. Mayle encouraged residents to follow the Ohiomeansjobs Carroll County Facebook page. A link to their page has been shared to the Commissioners' Facebook page.

IN THE MATTER OF
COURTHOUSE ANNEX BUILDING

 9:24 AM

Commissioner Leggett advised that the last of the old windows at the Annex building are being removed. The windows have asbestos so the last of the Brownfield grant funds will be used to pay for the removal. It should not cost the county anything. Commissioner Leggett advised that the Maintenance staff are boarding up the windows for now.

IN THE MATTER OF
COURTHOUSE ANNEX BUILDING

 9:24 AM

Commissioner Leggett advised that the County Engineer is taking care of the back access road. A retaining wall has been installed, the road is being widened, and the catch basin is being raised up 12". Commissioner Wirkner asked if the road has two-way access now. Commissioner Leggett advised that it does.

IN THE MATTER OF
MEETINGS

 9:25 AM

Commissioner Wirkner advised that he will be attending the Regional Transportation Improvement Project (RTIP) meeting in Minerva tomorrow.

IN THE MATTER OF
BOARD OF REVISION

 9:26 AM

Commissioner Wirkner advised that the Board of Revision (BOR) has had an increase in cases this year. There are different types of complaints, including complaints from landowners about the valuation of containment fences. The BOR has determined that fencing associated with well sites, cell towers, and other commercial activities on leased land will not be treated as a chargeable improvement for appraisal or taxation purposes. A future board may decide to change this policy, but this policy will remain in effect until then. Commissioner Wirkner advised that are some potential changes pending in the legislature as well.

IN THE MATTER OF
ADJOURN

Motion: to adjourn, **Action:** Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: President Christopher R. Modranski, Vice President Robert E. Wirkner, and Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II; NEY: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II, **Seconded by** Vice President Robert E. Wirkner.
Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:29 AM

PREPARED BY:

/s/ Melissa N. Schaar
Melissa N. Schaar, Clerk

We hereby certify the foregoing to be true and correct.
/s/ Melissa N. Schaar
Melissa N. Schaar, Clerk
/s/ Christopher R. Modranski
Christopher R. Modranski, President

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CARROLL COUNTY

/s/ Christopher R. Modranski
Christopher R. Modranski, President

/s/ Robert E. Wirkner
Robert E. Wirkner, Vice President

/s/ Donald E. Leggett II
Donald E. Leggett II, Commissioner