

# Minutes for Monday, April 27, 2026

Commissioners Present: Bell, Prouty, Cameron  
Staff Present: Susan Reese

**RES 26-0416** Meeting was called to order at 8:05 a.m. on the motion of Commissioner Cameron and the second of Commissioner Prouty.  
Vote was Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

Commissioner Cameron moved to approve the payment of bills, pending review.  
Seconded by Commissioner Prouty.  
Vote was Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

Stacey Russell, Executive Director, Muskingum County Library System, asked if people attending their grand opening Friday, May 1, could park in the Health Department parking lot if needed for overflow.

Kade reported that Modern Glass was measuring windows and doors Friday.

The following legislation was now considered:

**RESOLUTION 26-0417** approve the Supplemental Appropriation of Funds within Fund Number 191, for the Muskingum County Community Development, as requested by Kyle Dunn, Director.

## SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS

<u>Description</u>	<u>Account Code</u>	<u>Amount</u>
CORSA	191-375-504141	\$94.21

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Prouty.  
Roll Call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 26-0418** approve the employment of Madison Hill for the position of Clerical Specialist in the Child Support Division of Muskingum County Job & Family Services, contingent upon passage of the pre-employment assessments.  
Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Prouty.  
Roll Call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 26-0419** approve the decrease in Appropriations & increase in Appropriations within Fund Number 162 for Muskingum County Center for Seniors, as follows:

## DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS

<u>Description</u>	<u>Account Code</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Equipment	162-004-503032	\$1,500.00
Equipment	162-005-503032	\$1,500.00
Equipment	162-008-503032	\$1,500.00

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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS**

<u>Description</u>	<u>Account Code</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Utilities-Gas	162-025-504102	\$1,500.00
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Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Prouty.

Roll Call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 26-0420**                      approve the decrease in Appropriations within Fund Number 099 & the increase in Appropriations within Fund Number 001 for Muskingum County Court of Common Pleas Juvenile Division, as follows:

**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS**

<u>Description</u>	<u>Account Code</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Transfer Out	099-444-510002	\$40,000.00

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS**

<u>Description</u>	<u>Account Code</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Transfer In	001-000-414002	\$40,000.00

(This is to transfer the cash balance from Fund Number 099 to Fund Number 001, returning monies to the fund of origin.)

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Prouty.

Roll Call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 26-0421**                      approve the payment of invoices incurred in 2025 with 2026 Funds payable to the following vendors for invoice(s) dated prior to encumbrances as requested by Colton A. Touvell, Muskingum County CVSO.

<u>Name of Vendor</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
City of Zanesville	Maintenance of Veteran's graves located in Woodlawn & Greenwood Cemeteries	\$6,067.20

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Prouty.

Roll Call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 26-0422**                      seek to upgrade its existing wastewater facilities; and  
Whereas, the County of Muskingum intends to apply for a Water Supply Revolving Loan Account (WSRLA) for the planning, design and or construction of the water facilities; and

Whereas, the Ohio Water Supply Revolving Loan Account (WSRLA) requires the government authority to pass legislation for application of a loan and the execution of an agreement as well as designating a dedicated repayment source; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the County of Muskingum, Ohio:

SECTION 1. That Melissa J. Bell be and is hereby authorized to apply for a WSRLA loan, sign all documents for and enter into a Water Supply Revolving Loan Account (WSRLA) with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency and the Ohio Water Development Authority for planning, design and/or construction of the Route 555 Phase 2 water project on behalf of the County of Muskingum, Ohio.

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SECTION 2. That the dedicated source of repayment will be Muskingum County Water Department revenues.

SECTION 3. That is resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Prouty.

Roll Call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye.

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 26-0423** seek to upgrade its existing wastewater facilities; and

Whereas, the County of Muskingum intends to apply for a Water Supply Revolving Loan Account (WSRLA) for the planning, design and or construction of the Dozer Ridge Watermain Extension and

Whereas, the Ohio Water Supply Revolving Loan Account (WSRLA) requires the government authority to pass legislation for application of a loan and the execution of an agreement as well as designating a dedicated repayment source; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the County of Muskingum, Ohio:

SECTION 1. That Melissa J. Bell be and is hereby authorized to apply for a WSRLA loan, sign all documents for and enter into a Water Supply Revolving Loan Account (WSRLA) with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency and the Ohio Water Development Authority for planning, design and/or construction of Dozer Ridge Watermain Extension on behalf of the County of Muskingum, Ohio.

SECTION 2. That the dedicated source of repayment will be Muskingum County Water Department revenues.

SECTION 3. That is resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Prouty.

Roll Call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye.

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 26-0424** authorize Melissa J. Bell to sign on behalf of the Board of Muskingum County Commissioners Notice of Award, Notice to Proceed, and Contract Documents for the Dozer Ridge Road Water Extension.

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Prouty.

Roll Call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye.

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 26-0425** open bids for 34 North Fourth Street Parking Lot.

Motion made by Commissioner Bell, seconded by Commissioner Prouty.

Roll Call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye.

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 26-0426** take bids under advisement for 34 North Fourth Street Parking Lot.

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Prouty.

Roll Call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye.

Motion carried.

Mark Eicher, County Engineer, gave an update on the Thomas complaint on Pinecrest. Mark found the recorded easement from February 1809, Vol.7, Pg.125 and Vol.8, Pg 567; ROW not to exceed 33' from center line.

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Mark also updated on the Adamsville ditch situation. The ditch was closed off. Ditch has never been low enough for her situation. Pipe/culvert was replaced at prior elevation.

Commissioner Cameron reported on the Suicide Awareness Dinner she attended last Thursday evening. Dr. Ackerman from Nationwide Children's Hospital was the speaker.

Chris Crook, Redevelopment Specialist presented estimates for 285 Washington Street, Roseville. The Commissioners discussed the quotes and noted that because of previous experience with the lowest quote, it was decided to go with second lowest quote, Spohn of Junction City for \$18,900. The Commissioners also spoke to legal counsel to confirm the process required for awarding the quote selection.

**RESOLUTION 26-0427** declare an Executive Session at 10:57 a.m. for the purpose of discussing Economic Development Matters of the Muskingum County Commissioners. This session ended approximately 12:04 p.m.

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Prouty.

Roll Call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye.

Motion carried.

Lucretia Frame, Records Center Manager, met with the Commissioners to discuss travel arrangement for NAGARA Conference in Philadelphia this year.

The Commissioner adjourned briefly for lunch.

WHIZ met with the Commissioners to discuss Water and Sewer rate increases.

The Commissioners watched a recording of an April 17 presentation from the CCAO Board Meeting, with Kara Wente of DCY and Scott Britton of PCSAO.

With no further business being before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:45 p.m. on the motion of Commissioner Bell and the second of Commissioner Cameron.

  
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Cindy S. Cameron