

Minutes for Monday, May 04, 2026

Commissioners Present: Bell, Prouty, Cameron
Staff Present: Kacey Stackhouse

RES 26-0440 Meeting was called to order at 8:00 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 payroll.
Seconded by 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.

The following legislation was now considered:

RES 26-0441 approve the payment of invoices incurred in 2023 with 2026 Funds payable to the following vendors for invoice(s) dated prior to encumbrances as requested by Marcie Blackwood, Deputy Clerk.

<u>Name of Vendor</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Department of Commerce	Boiler Permit App Fee	\$100.00

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

RES 26-0442 approve the Supplemental Appropriation of Funds within Fund Number 014, for the Muskingum County Water Department, as requested by Peggy Taylor, Office Manager.

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS

<u>Description</u>	<u>Account Code</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Corsa	014-373-50414	\$0.18

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

RES 26-0443 approve the transfer of Appropriations within Fund Number 118 for the Muskingum County Title Office, as follows:

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS

<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
118-122-503001	118-122-504141	\$79.00

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

RES 26-0444 agree to sign pay application GMP 016 for the New Jail Project in the amount of \$2,827,154.86. (detail attached)
Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Prouty.
Roll Call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

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Kade Haddox came in to give an update on the courthouse windows timeline for the next 2 weeks.

Commissioner Bell shared an email from Danny Brenneman regarding the Shared Ohio Snap error rate, it is currently 5.73 as of April 28, 2026, which is below 6% Federal threshold.

Commissioner Prouty shared an email from the Health Department regarding an unusual number of complaints this year about mosquitoes, they are unable to start an intern until the end of May.

Lacey Harrier, Director of Soil & Water called Commissioner Bell in session to ask for the garden to be taken out and grass seed to be planted. Commissioner Prouty said he will take care of it.

Keith Nelson came in to talk to the commissioners about designating a portion of State Route 555 to Freedom Rd. He has already received a letter of support from Perry and Morgan County. He is requesting a letter of support from the Commissioners.

RES 26-0445 provide a letter of support to designate a portion of State Route 555 as “Freedom Road”, requested by Keith Nelson.

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Prouty.

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

RES 26-0446 declare an Executive Session at 10:47 a.m. for the purpose of discussing Economic Development Matter of the Muskingum County Commissioners. This session ended about 11:50 a.m.

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Prouty.

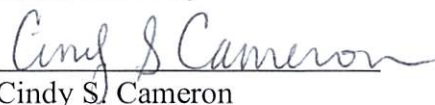
Roll Call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

The Commissioner received a correspondence regarding the opposition of Dearth Alley vacation, from Dave Tarbert, the Council of record.

With no further business being before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:51 p.m. on the motion of Commissioner Cameron and the second of Commissioner Bell.


Melissa J. Bell


Drake L. Prouty


Cindy S. Cameron