

Minutes for Thursday, May 07, 2026

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

RES 26-0447 Meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. on the motion of Commissioner Cameron and the second of Commissioner Bell
Vote was Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

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

The following legislation was now considered:

RES 26-0448 authorize Cindy S. Cameron to sign the Office of Criminal Justice Service's Subgrant Agreement, as requested by John Deal, Financial Administrator, Muskingum County Sheriff's Office.
Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Bell.
Roll Call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

RES 26-0449 approve the Transfer of Appropriations within Fund Number 018 for the Muskingum County Board of Developmental Disabilities, as follows:

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
018-694-502004	018-694-502006	\$9,525.00
Medical Insurance	Unemployment	

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

RES 26-0450 approve the Supplemental Appropriation of Funds within Fund Number 113, for the Muskingum County Auditor, as requested by Stephanie Spencer, Chief Administrator.

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

<u>Department</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Engineer Dept	113-368-504072	\$6,438.75
	State FEMA Reimb to Dept	

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

RES 26-0451 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 Wendy S. Roush, Court Administrator.

<u>Description</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Monica L. Miyashita Esq	049-247-504218	\$2,438.10
Guardian ad Litem Services	(Special Projects)	
DA2025-0024		

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

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RES 26-0452 accept and sign the Masonic Temple parking lot improvements contract with Saorsa Construction Ohio, Inc in the amount of \$146,182.25.
Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Bell.
Roll Call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

RES 26-0453 accept and sign the Health Department Parking Lot Improvements contract with Neff Paving, LLC, in the amount of \$156,531.17.
Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Bell.
Roll Call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

RES 26-0454 accept and sign the agreement between Muskingum County Commissioners and DLZ Ohio, Inc for the feasibility study on Dillon Falls Road, Requested by Mark Eicher, County Engineer.
Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Bell.
Roll Call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

RES 26-0455 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 Marcie Blackwood, Deputy Clerk.

<u>Name of Vendor</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
City of Zanesville	Reimb Indig Attorney December 2025	\$18,512.14

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

RES 26-0456 authorize 25 employees to attend the Ohio Job & Family Services Director's Association Annual Conference to be held May 11, 12 & 13, 2026 at the Hyatt Regency in Columbus, Ohio as requested by Danny Brenneman, Director MCJFS.
ESTIMATED COST: \$9,000.00

This cost is estimated to cover parking, lodging, meals, and mileage.
(Session overview, travel details, names of attendees, and breakdown of estimated expenses attached)

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

RES 26-0457 authorize Jamie Bowman, Sandy Post-Parker, Angie Smith, and Laiken Springer to attend the Ohio Department of Job & Family Services Rule Training to be held May 14, 2026 in Canton, Ohio. As requested by, Jamie Bowman, Childcare Supervisor, MCJFS.

Mileage: \$129.00

Lunch: Not to exceed \$40/person **Estimated cost: \$289.00**

Authorization to drive one privately owned vehicle is requested, as they will be riding together.
Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Bell.
Roll Call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

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Commissioner Bell received an email from Kate Paul regarding road closures surrounding The Center and was concerned it may affect the meal drivers parking. Commissioner Bell was going to reach out to Matt Schley.

The Sheriff reported The K-9 Adoption Center has been great with getting dogs adopted.

RES 26-0458 open bids for the route 555 water line extension, Muskingum County Projects Department.

Motion made by Commissioner Bell, seconded by Commissioner Prouty.

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

RES 26-0459 take bids under advisement for the 555 water line extension project.

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Prouty.

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

RES 26-0460 open bids for the Roseville, East First Street Bridge Replacement.

Motion made by Commissioner Bell, seconded by Commissioner Prouty.

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

RES 26-0461 award bid to US Bridge for the Roseville, East First Street Bridge Replacement in the amount of \$1,489,715.28.

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Prouty.

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

The Commissioner adjourned for lunch.

Commissioner Prouty and Representative Adam Holmes went to Blue Rock Cemetery to access the issues to see what funding would be available.

Chris Crook, Redevelopment Specialist came in to give updates on blight properties.

Mayor Mason came in to discuss the Northpointe and Military traffic light, he will prepare the joint press release.

Commissioner Cameron reported on the Family & Children First meeting, there are 2 different grants through Guernsey-Muskingum Electric Cooperative, Inc called Operation Helping Others that are available to the public to apply for.

The Sheriff came in to discuss hiring for a new Civil Process deputy position. They have not increased road patrol in 17 years. It was agreed by the Commissioners for the Sheriff to proceed with his request.

Don Madden, Chad Hutchins & Zach Forker came in to present to the Commissioners with water projects within in house & agreed to the engineering with the others.

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The Commissioners received an email from Mark Eicher from ODOT regarding the turning lane for 146/Dillon School Drive intersection improvement was not approved.

Commissioner Prouty was approached by the K-9 Adoption Center to obtain the walk-in cooler at EMA and that it be placed at K-9 Adoption Center. Commissioner Prouty said he would look into it and report back next Monday.

Commissioner Bell reported that Nathan Sims of Muskingum Township expressed appreciation for posting board minutes in a timely manner.

Commissioner Bell moved to approve the minutes of the April 30th, 2026, session.

Commissioner Prouty seconded.

Vote was Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye.

Motion carried.

Commissioner Bell moved to approve the minutes of the May 4th, 2026, session. Commissioner Prouty seconded.

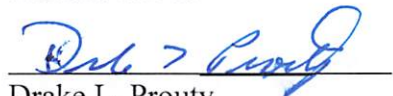
Vote was Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye.

Motion carried.

With no further business being before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:36 p.m. on the motion of Commissioner Cameron and the second of Commissioner Bell.



Melissa J. Bell



Drake L. Prouty



Cindy S. Cameron