

**APRIL 20 – MEETING 16
VOLUME 29**

The Ross County Board of Commissioners met on this day, April 20, 2026, in regular session.

Commissioner Jack Everson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., with Commissioner James Lowe in attendance and David Glass absent.

Commissioner Everson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES APPROVED

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, the minutes of the April 13, 2026 meeting, be approved as submitted. On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Glass, absent. Motion carried.

BILLS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, the following bills of the county be approved for payment:

DEPARTMENT	PAY TO NAME	TOTAL VALUE
Wellness	Mash, Codee	270
Wellness	Sarah Wood	25.25
VOCA	T-Mobile USA Inc	28.91
Veterans Service Commission	Robert Davis	206.5
Veterans Service Commission	Integrated Protection Services	1988.96
Veterans Service Commission	McGee, Matt	309.75
Veterans Service Commission	Finley, John	95.87
Veterans Service Commission	Sewards, Randy A.	560.48
Veterans Service Commission	Amazon Capital Services	64.87
Treasurer	Glacier Mountain Bottled Water	2
Treasurer	Amazon Capital Services	24.94
Sheriff	Modern Office Methods, Inc.	378.73
Sheriff	JOSHUA O BOMSAWIN	90.08
Sheriff	Connie Chamberlain	115
Sheriff	Modern Office Methods, Inc.	407.28
Sheriff	Modern Office Methods, Inc.	330.96
Sheriff	Glo Fiber	1683.46
Sheriff	Jonina Johnson	276
Sheriff	Escamilla, Vanessa	352
Sheriff	A.R. Phoenix Resources, Inc	695
Sheriff	Visa	570
Sheriff	Visa	119.99
Sheriff	Visa	325
Sheriff	Scioto-P.V. Mental Health	28333.3
Sheriff	Aramark Services, Inc	9452.87
Sheriff	DTB Distributors, Inc.	1.74
Sheriff	DTB Distributors, Inc.	11.92
Sheriff	DTB Distributors, Inc.	11.17
Sheriff	Amazon Capital Services	246.36
Sheriff	Red Diamond Uniform & Police	823.41
Sheriff	Adena Health System	2161.74
Sheriff	Scioto Shoe Mart	255.98
Sheriff	AutoZone	37.48
Sheriff	Premier Health Care Services,	42525.48
Sheriff	Friends Service Co. Inc	1.04
Sheriff	Friends Service Co. Inc	30.7
Sheriff	Friends Service Co. Inc	27.46
Sheriff	Columbus Radiology Corp	990.35
Sheriff	Ohio NARCO	1400
Sheriff	Thomson Reuters - West	225
Sheriff	Amazon Capital Services	13.35
Sheriff	Glo Fiber	1621.61
Sheriff	Buckeye State Sheriff Associat	1200
Sheriff	Penwell, Julia	340.65
Sheriff	Galls, LLC	183.83
Sheriff	Rumpke Of Ohio, Inc	1551.9
Sheriff	Purchase Power	12
Sheriff	Purchase Power	69
Sheriff	Purchase Power	39
Sheriff	Purchase Power	180
Sheriff	Parr Public Safety Equipment	495
Sheriff	Fishel, Downey, Albrecht & Rie	287.5
Sheriff	Vance Outdoors, Inc.	3813.9
Ross County Court System	Compass Integration LLC	3392.78
Ross County Court System	Compass Integration LLC	3059.81
Ross County Court System	Compass Integration LLC	6844.16
Recorder	Neumo Tax & Licensing, LLC	3322.89
Recorder	U. S. Postal Service	230
Prosecuting Attorney	Gordon Flesch Co., Inc.	378.57
Probate Court	The Water Express	28.25
Probate Court	Globe Furniture	45
Probate Court	Hill, Laura J.	400
Planning Commission	Ohio Historical Society, Inc	231914.61
Planning Commission	DESIGNING LOCAL LTD	9760
Planning Commission	Ohio Historical Society, Inc	4798.58
Planning Commission	Ross County Park District	157235.44
Planning Commission	Ohio Historical Society, Inc	81482.6
Planning Commission	Terracon Consultants, Inc	2702.5
Planning Commission	City of Logan	1230738.34
Planning Commission	The Water Express	16.75
Planning Commission	Montrose Group, LLC	5000
Planning Commission	JOHN W HEMMINGS III	17505.6
Planning Commission	Beyond Consulting Group LLC	36067.5
Planning Commission	Monroe Arts Council	248086.67
Planning Commission	Village of Georgetown	70256.96
Planning Commission	American Structure Point, Inc	2400
Planning Commission	American Structure Point, Inc	17093.7
Planning Commission	American Structure Point, Inc	28889.55
Litter Control	DTB Distributors, Inc.	195
Litter Control	DTB Distributors, Inc.	85
Law Library	Lexis-Nexis	1232.36
Juvenile Court	Huntington Local School Distr	6000
Juvenile Court	The Water Express	37
Juvenile Court	Compass Integration LLC	623.87
Juvenile Court	LISA BAIR	94.25
Juvenile Court	Carver Community Center	2573
Juvenile Court	Intrinsic Interventions, Inc	25
Juvenile Court	The Water Express	18.75
Juvenile Court	Amazon Capital Services	63.28
Juvenile Court	Amazon Capital Services	15.46
Juvenile Court	Amazon Capital Services	23.74
Juvenile Court	Amazon Capital Services	80.84
Juvenile Court	King, Kristen	810
Juvenile Court	Integrated Services of Appala	7500
Juvenile Court	Lighthouse Youth Services	2916.67
Juvenile Court	Lighthouse Youth Services	6250
Juvenile Court	Lighthouse Youth Services	1907.78
Juvenile Court	Paper City Mentoring Project	3000
Juvenile Court	Peachtree Electronic Monitori	2453
Juvenile Court	Paint Valley ADAMH Board	1065
Engineer	Tim's Tires & Accessories	223
Engineer	Unifirst First Aid Corp	65.63
Engineer	Tow Path Materials	894.2
Engineer	T-Mobile USA Inc	226.55
Engineer	State Electric Supply, Inc.	39.06

DEPARTMENT	PAY TO NAME	TOTAL VALUE
Engineer	S & S Aggregates	1475.45
Engineer	Rumpke Of Ohio, Inc	260.65
Engineer	Old Canal Stop	27.5
Engineer	Modern Office Methods, Inc.	473.99
Engineer	Melvin Stone Co.	5253.21
Engineer	Latham Limestone, LLC	4834.02
Engineer	Kleem, Inc.	1382.31
Engineer	Hupp Electrical Service LLC	737.4
Engineer	Houser & Son Farm Equipmen	1349.8
Engineer	Hart, Linda	580
Engineer	Gem City Tires, LLC	760.77
Engineer	Gem City Tires, LLC	2065.33
Engineer	G&J Asphalt & Materials, Inc.	60
Engineer	Coughlin Auto	307.02
Engineer	Chillicothe Steel Co.	450
Engineer	Auto Truck Tire Center, Inc	750
Engineer	Amazon Capital Services	483.5
Engineer	Airgas Great Lakes	1422.96
Engineer	Advance Auto Parts	969.23
Engineer	Adena Health System	50
Emergency Management	Gordon Flesch Co, Inc.	1.75
Emergency Management	Alexander, Sharon	74
Dog Warden	Amazon Capital Services	27.58
Dog Warden	Printex Printing	102.72
Dog Warden	Amazon Capital Services	134.94
Coroner	US Bank Equipment Finance	96.41
Coroner	MARK A GRAY	19
Coroner	Haller Funeral Home, LLC	515
Common Pleas Court #2	Office Depot Inc.	239.41
Common Pleas Court #2	Printex Printing	500
Common Pleas Court #1	Rafael Montanez	253.1
Common Pleas Court #1	Amazon Capital Services	343.11
Common Pleas Court #1	The Water Express	34.22
Commissioners	Ross County Treasurer	33717.23
Commissioners	The Tower Clock Company	900
Commissioners	Detillion Landscape Materials	147.65
Commissioners	Veregy East, LLC	874
Commissioners	Combs Heating & Cooling	212.5
Commissioners	U.S. Geological Survey	5000
Commissioners	Stockmeister Enterprises Inc	205275.46
Commissioners	Sherwin Williams Company	130.53
Commissioners	Sherwin Williams Company	133.12
Commissioners	Sedgwick Claims Management	4625
Commissioners	Thomas Gas Services, Inc.	7.72
Commissioners	JSF Landscape Construction,	3575
Commissioners	Master Locksmith and Safe Se	103
Commissioners	Sherwin Williams Company	15.29
Commissioners	Lowe's	2286.46
Commissioners	Lowe's	996.65
Commissioners	American Electric Power	7745.51
Clerk of Courts	UPS	175.95
Certificate of Title	US Bank Equipment Finance	106.58
Building Department	Amazon Capital Services	23.36
Building Department	DAVID BITLER	106.36
Building Department	Verizon Wireless	160.44
Board of Elections	Amazon Capital Services	52.04
Board of Elections	Friends Service Co. Inc	369.12
Board of Elections	Sports Plus	160.9
Automatic Data Processing B	Amazon Capital Services	31.58
Automatic Data Processing B	Westside Media	30
Automatic Data Processing B	Gordon Flesch Co., Inc.	94.81
Automatic Data Processing B	Gordon Flesch Co, Inc.	707.16
Automatic Data Processing B	Axia Technology Partners, LL	2710.9
Automatic Data Processing B	Glo Fiber	1756.28
Automatic Data Processing B	Glo Fiber	2215.95
Automatic Data Processing B	Verizon Wireless	399.92
Automatic Data Processing B	Charter Communications	610
Automatic Data Processing B	VC3 INC	2444
Automatic Data Processing B	Amazon Capital Services	188.63
Automatic Data Processing B	VC3 INC	2444
Automatic Data Processing B	Glo Fiber	209.08
Auditor	ANTHONY M SKOWRONEK	397.5
Auditor	Fried, Claire R. Attorney At La	465
Auditor	Fried, Claire R. Attorney At La	645
Auditor	Benson, Melinda J	735
Auditor	Benson, Melinda J	750
Auditor	Rutherford, Chase Colin	225
Auditor	Rutherford, Chase Colin	300
Auditor	Rutherford, Chase Colin	1095
Auditor	Rutherford, Chase Colin	570
Auditor	Rutherford, Chase Colin	1830
Auditor	Rutherford, Chase Colin	300
Auditor	Glo Fiber	763.99
Auditor	Berry, Jennifer	300
Auditor	American Electric Power	245.89
Auditor	Glo Fiber	678
Auditor	Amazon Capital Services	624.24
Auditor	Department of Veterans Affair	587.69
Auditor	The Water Express	29
Auditor	J.L. Uhrig & Associates	3550
Auditor	Hirsch Law LLC	832.5
Auditor	Benson, Melinda J	315
Auditor	Benson, Melinda J	112.5
Auditor	Benson, Melinda J	592.5
Auditor	Benson, Melinda J	292.5
Adult Probation	Empower Parent, Inc	325
Adult Probation	Stepmobile LLC	96.3
Adult Probation	The Water Express	50.15
Adult Probation	WS Electronics, Inc	4279.04
Adult Probation	Thomson Reuters - West	318.77
Adult Probation	The Garden Family Advocacy	2238.39
Adult Probation	Verizon Wireless	128.82
		\$2,635,782.81

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Glass, absent. Motion carried.

THEN & NOW CERTIFICATES APPROVED

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, the Ross County Board of Commissioners approve "Then & Now" Certificates, dated April 6, 2026 through April 20, 2026, in the amount of \$7,990.60 prepared by the Office of the Ross County Auditor and certified by the auditor as to the appropriation of funds for the purpose of encumbering the sum of the contract(s) or order(s) outlined therein, or the imminent collection of funds for credit to the appropriated fund(s) of the county, and as to the availability of funds for transfer within the appropriate department(s).

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Glass, absent. Motion carried.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, to transfer \$1,750,000.00 from account code 100-00-00-0010 General Fund, into account code 510-10-00-5901 Road & Bridge Improvement, per a request of April 20, 2026 from the Ross County Auditor.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Glass, absent. Motion carried.

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, to transfer \$1,750,000.00 from account code 510-10-00-7204 Contract Projects - OPWC, into account code 510-10-00-7210 Contract Projects Maple Grove Bridge, per a request of April 20, 2026 from the Ross County Auditor.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Glass, absent. Motion carried.

APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, to appropriate \$1,750,000.00 from General Fund into account code 100-01-03-7959 Transfer to Road & Bridge, per a request of April 20, 2026 from the Ross County Auditor.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Glass, absent. Motion carried.

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, to appropriate \$1,214.04 from VOCA/SVAA Grant Fund into account code 420-99-39-7550 Other Expenses, per a request of April 20, 2026 from the Ross County Prosecutor\VOCA.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Glass, absent. Motion carried.

ASSET DISPOSAL

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, the Ross County Board of Commissioners approve an Asset Disposal Form submitted by the Ross County Juvenile Probation for disposal of the following surplus property of the county as indicated:

QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	TAG/SERIAL #	METHOD OF DISPOSAL
1	Chair	12727	Surplus Property
1	Table	16438	Surplus Property
1	Heater	16414	Surplus Property

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Glass, absent. Motion carried.

TIME SHEET APPROVED COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, the Ross County Board of Commissioners approve the time sheet submitted by Bradford M. Cosenza, County Administrator for the pay period ending April 18, 2026.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Glass, absent. Motion carried.

CHANGE ORDER 1 VILLAGE OF CLARKSBURG THIRD STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, to approve Change Order #1 (modifications to existing utility conflicts and grading issue at culvert) for the Clarksburg Third Street Reconstruction project. There is no expense to the BoC for these changes.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Glass, absent. Motion carried.

REQUEST FOR BELL TOWER LIGHTING

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, to approve a request from First Capital PRIDE Coalition to turn the bell tower rainbow colors June 21 – 27, 2026 for PRIDE week.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Glass, absent. Motion carried.

The following resolution was passed at the regular meeting of the Ross County Board of Commissioners on April 20, 2026, with Jack A. Everson, James E. Lowe, in attendance and David Glass, asent.

**RESOLUTION 011-26
DOG REGISTRATION FEES
AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION 038-25**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Ross County, Ohio, that its previous Resolution 16-33 adopted October 3, 2016, be amended to hereby authorize the Ross County Auditor, to increase the cost of dog license fees for the year 2027 in accordance with Ohio House Bill 59 and subsequent payment to OSU College of Veterinary Medicine as follows:

1 Year Dog License Fees	\$14.00 per dog per ORC 955.14 \$14.00 late fee penalty per ORC 955.05
3 Year Dog License Fee	\$42.00 per dog per ORC 955.14 \$14.00 late fee penalty per ORC 955.05
Permanent Dog License Fee	\$140.00 per dog per ORC 955.14 \$14.00 late fee penalty per ORC 955.05
Kennel Fee	\$70.00 per ORC 955.14 \$70.00 late fee penalty per ORC 955.05

OSU College of Veterinary Medicine: \$.10 - 1 Yr.; \$.30 - 3 Yr.; \$1.00 - Permanent per ORC 955.14

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Glass, absent. Motion carried.

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, to approve the request for extension for the Community Development Block Grant for the storm sewer system in the Village of Adelphi in Ross County.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Glass, absent. Motion carried.

REQUEST FOR NEW LIQUOR PERMIT

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, to approve a request for a liquor permit for Dunns Drive Thru, LL, 2 Hopetown Rd., Chillicothe Ohio 45601, and to not request a hearing.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Glass, absent. Motion carried.

VOCA AND SVAA GRAND AWARD AND ACCEPTANCE FORM

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, to approve a grant award and acceptance form for VOCA and SVAA for desk risers and sit/stand mat in the amount of \$1,214.04 with an in-kind match of \$255.00.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Glass, absent. Motion carried.

SEASONAL HELP HIRED

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, to approve the hire of two seasonal employees, Jesse Fornash, start date 4/20/2026, at the rate of \$18.00 hourly.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Glass, absent. Motion carried.

ROSS COUNTY HEALTH DISTRICT RENEWAL LEVY

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, to approve a request from the Ross County Health District to place a tax renewal levy on the November 3, 2026 ballot.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Glass, absent. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 013-26
RESOLUTION REQUESTING CERTIFICATION OF COUNTY AUDITOR
(REVISED CODE SECTION 5705.03(B))**

WHEREAS, the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten mill limitation by levies on the current tax duplicate will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of Ross County, Ohio, and it is necessary to levy a tax in excess of such limitation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Ross County, Ohio, all members concurring, that it is necessary to levy a renewal tax in excess of the ten mill limitation for the benefit of Ross County, Ohio and the Ross County Health District, in order to provide the Ross County Health District with sufficient funds to carry out the district's health program, pursuant to Section 3709.29 of the Ohio Revised Code, at a rate not exceeding one (1.0) mills for each one dollar (\$1.00) of valuation, which amounts to ten cents (\$.10) for each one hundred dollars (\$ 100.00) of valuation, for a period of five (5) years, commencing with the tax year 2027; and, be further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of this Board of Commissioners, Cathy Primer, be and she is hereby directed to certify a copy of this resolution to the Ross County Auditor; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Ross County Auditor certify to the Board of Commissioners the total current tax valuation of the subdivision and the dollar amount of revenue that will be generated by a one (1.0) mill levy.

Section 3709.29 of the Ohio Revised Code authorizes the submission of this tax to the electors.

ODOT SALT PARTICIPATION CONTRACT 2026

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, to approve to participate in the Ohio Department of Transportation's (ODOT) annual road salt bid in accordance with Ohio Revised Code 5513.01(B) and hereby agrees to all terms and conditions in its participation of the ODOT road salt contract.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Glass, absent. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 012-26
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION (ODOT) SALT
PARTICIPATION PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Board, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 5513.01 (B), may participate in the contracts entered into by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) for supplies and materials; and

WHEREAS, ODOT has invited the Board to participate in its winter (018-27) salt contract in order to purchase rock salt; and

WHEREAS, that the Ross County Board of Commissioners hereby enters into the ODOT Salt Participation Program; and

WHEREAS, the Board shall execute the Agreement in the name of the Ross County Engineer as its political subdivision; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Ross County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes and instructs the Ross County Engineer, Charles Ortman, to complete all necessary paperwork order forms and be the contract person, for the county to participate in the ODOT Salt Participation Program.

HEARING DATE SET FOR VACATION OF VANDERMAKR ROAD/LANE

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, to set a date for the viewing of Vandermark Lane/Road as May 11, 2026 at 11:00am and the public hearing to be set May 11, 2026 at 11:30am.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Glass, absent. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION CALLED

Mr. Glass moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, the Ross County Board of Commissioners adjourn into executive session at 9:37 am, to discuss Personnel issues.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Glass, yes; Mr. Everson, yes. Motion carried.

REGULAR SESSION RESUMED

The executive session called at 9:37 am was adjourned, and the regular meeting resumed at 10:20am. No action was taken.

RECOVERY OHIO CERTIFICATE OF CONFIDENTIAL FUNDS

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Glass seconded, to sign the Certificate of Confidential Funds for the 2026 Recovery Ohio Grant Application. The award is \$78,364.76.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Glass, yes; Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes. Motion carried.

PAY APPLICATION 9 SETTERLIN ROSS COUNTY JAIL CELL ALTERATIONS

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Glass seconded, to approve pay application 9 for Setterlin Building Company for work completed on the Ross County Jail Cell Alterations project in the amount of \$187,337.30.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Glass, yes; Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes. Motion carried.

CRACK FILL, SEAL COAT, STRIPE AIRPORT PARKING LOT NATIONWIDE CONTRACTORS LLC

Mr. Glass moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, to approve the proposal to crack fill, seal coat and stripe the Ross County Shoemaker Airport parking lot back to the Tarmac, for a cost of \$4,785.00.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Glass, yes; Mr. Everson, yes. Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

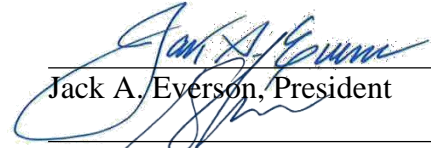
Economic Development Work Session

Ross County Park District

Sheriff IT

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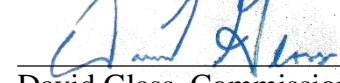
Mr. Jack A. Everson, President, adjourned the regular meeting of April 20, 2026, at 10:25am, Board of Commissioners of Ross County, Ohio



Jack A. Everson, President



James E. Lowe, Vice President



David Glass, Commissioner