

AUGUST 3 – MEETING 31

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The Ross County Board of Commissioners met on this day, August 3, 2026, in regular session.

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

Commissioner Everson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES APPROVED

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, the minutes of the July 27, 2026 meeting, be approved as submitted.

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

BILLS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT

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

DEPARTMENT	DESCRIPTION	TOTAL VALUE	DEPARTMENT	DESCRIPTION	TOTAL VALUE
Recorder	FRIENDS OFFICE	27.67	Sheriff	UTILITIES	57.2
Commissioners	courthouse restoration project	5079.75	Sheriff	OTHER EXPENSES	51.28
Commissioners	LEC supplier	711.25	Sheriff	CONTRACT SERVICES	98.95
Commissioners	Equipment shed	103.95	Sheriff	OTHER EXPENSES	3363.66
Commissioners	Davis Tiler	1224	Ross County Court System	Inv. 138354301072126 Internet	169.98
Automatic Data Processing Bd	Gordon Florch - 2026	94.81	Coroner	contract expenses	50.85
Commissioners	Rental	1506.15	Sheriff	UTILITIES	2756.79
Planning Commission	MONROE ARTS COUNCIL COM	392822.49	Adult Probation	July Community Service Cont	2600
Commissioners	columbia Gar 473 Western Ave	189.75	Adult Probation	Office Supplier	27.98
Auditor	ATTORNEY FEES-PROBATE CO	250	Probate Court	PROBATE OFFICE SUPPLIES	1124.92
Commissioners	Glacier Mountain Water	25.75	Juvenile Court	JPD OFFICE SUPPLIES	35.51
Common Pleas Court #1	Ofc Supply 3rd Qtr	83.99	Adult Probation	July Water Delivery	45.44
Commissioners	LEC supplier	85.4	Juvenile Court	OHMAS OTHER	472.97
Commissioners	DTB Janitorial Supplier	388.47	Juvenile Court	OHMAS OTHER	51.98
Planning Commission	HOME CHIP 2024 REHAB B-C-	16449	Juvenile Court	JUVENILE MISC/OTHER EXPEN	3700
Building Department	TRAVEL EXPENSES-FUEL FOR	474.65	Building Department	OTHER EXPENSES	15.5
Planning Commission	HOME CHIP 2024 REHAB B-C-	24550	Probate Court	PROBATE MISC./OTHER EXPE	881
Planning Commission	VILLAGE OF GEORGETOWN-CO	58244	Juvenile Court	CASA MISC./OTHER EXPENSE	500
Planning Commission	UNESCO FOR ACGP GRANT 12	297579.93	Juvenile Court	JUVENILE OFFICE SUPPLIES	308.88
Planning Commission	ARCHITECT & ENGINEERING D	15343.55	Juvenile Court	ATP ADMIN	316.06
Planning Commission	HOLZER HEALTH SYSTEMS CO	288399.39	Planning Commission	Supplier	22.25
Planning Commission	Contract Service	285	Veterans Service Commission	business cards	50
Planning Commission	SUPPLIES	111.51	Veterans Service Commission	contract, service & repairs	47.73
Commissioners	Maintenance Menards	326.56	Juvenile Court	ROSS COUNTY CASA	53579
Automatic Data Processing Bd	2026 CDW	275.45	Commissioners	Faulke Black Rentalr	50
Commissioners	AEP	47.16	Commissioners	Faulke Black Rentalr	2700
Commissioners	Wax Bank	1489.42	Commissioners	Faulke Black Rentalr	50
Certificate of Title	Other Expenses	30.25	Commissioners	Faulke Black Rentalr	2700
Building Department	SUPPLIES	126.64	Commissioners	Faulke Black Rentalr	2700
Automatic Data Processing Bd	2026 Amazon	547.92	Juvenile Court	JUVENILE MISC/OTHER EXPEN	2640
Commissioners	Carpet Cleaning SC	16261.88	Auditor	water for Auditor's office	35.75
Automatic Data Processing Bd	2026 Amazon	29	Auditor	Utilities and maintenance fee	584
Automatic Data Processing Bd	Spectrum - 2026	675	Sheriff	MEDICAL EXPENSES	15.8
Treasurer	VARIOUS SUPPLIES	87.11	Sheriff	FOOD SUPPLIES	8314.57
Engineer	Eq. Parts, repairs, etc.	336.34	Sheriff	OTHER EXPENSES	71.45
Engineer	Uniforms	391.73	Sheriff	OTHER EXPENSES	334.65
Engineer	Eq. Parts, repairs, etc.	754.85	Sheriff	OTHER EXPENSES	18.04
Engineer	Eq. Parts, repairs, etc.	317.96	Sheriff	CONTRACT SERVICES	14166.65
Engineer	Eq. Parts, repairs, etc.	49.99	Sheriff	MEDICAL EXPENSES	573.15
Engineer	Eq. Parts, etc.	1550	Sheriff	TRAINING COST	450
Engineer	Eq. Parts, repairs, etc.	19.31	Sheriff	EDUCATIONAL SUPPLIES	623.61
Engineer	Eq. Parts, etc.	816	Auditor	postage	4000
Engineer	Road Materials	2099.88	Sheriff	OTHER EXPENSES	50
Engineer	Road Materials	2310.48	Coroner	Marx radios support	120
Engineer	AFSCME Inv.	472.5	Coroner	RENT AND GAS	635.23
Engineer	Eq. Parts, etc.	834.35	Sheriff	2024-JG-A01-\$5834 - OTHER C	36.35
Engineer	Eq. Parts, repairs, etc.	33	Sheriff	Fair Share- Other Cartr	11.7
Engineer	Misc contracts, etc.	1630	Sheriff	2024-JG-A01-\$5834 - OTHER C	349.76
Engineer	Eq. Parts, repairs, etc.	25.16	Sheriff	MEDICAL EXPENSES	195.01
Engineer	Eq. Parts, repairs	761.66	Sheriff	MEDICAL EXPENSES	554.55
Engineer	Eq. Parts, etc.	440.7	Sheriff	CONTRACT SERVICES	450
Engineer	Eq. Parts	1349.69	Prosecuting Attorney	leave payment for printer, bar	1110
Engineer	Eq. Parts, etc.	2011.43	Sheriff	Fair Share- Other Cartr	190.86
Engineer	Road Materials	1880.43	Commissioners	104 Sewer Project ARPA Fund	6.54
Commissioners	HVAC parts and repairs	570.15	Veterans Service Commission	education, travel, reimb, outd	99.35
Commissioners	Electric At SC	483.77	Auditor	2026 cab-ca insurance payment	1191895.5
Planning Commission	ARCHITECT & ENGINEERING D	33896	Veterans Service Commission	education, travel, reimb, outd	476.74
Planning Commission	ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVIC	1880	Veterans Service Commission	education, travel, reimb, outd	28.3
Commissioners	Repaired Door Hinger at Ross C	685	Veterans Service Commission	education, travel, reimb, outd	120.01
Sheriff	OTHER EXPENSES	220	Veterans Service Commission	shirt/jacket - commissioner	140
Sheriff	UTILITIES	105.07	Veterans Service Commission	education, travel, reimb, outd	107.48
Sheriff	OTHER EXPENSES	8769.6	Veterans Service Commission	education, travel, reimb, outd	33.17
Sheriff	UTILITIES	129.5	Lau Library	2026 office supplier	49.99
Sheriff	UTILITIES	1405.71	Emergency Management	contract services	121.65
Sheriff	UTILITIES	57.2			\$2,497,294.90

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

THEN & NOW CERTIFICATES APPROVED

Mr. Glass moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, the Ross County Board of Commissioners approve "Then & Now" Certificates, dated July 20, 2026 through August 3, 2026, in the amount of \$18,695.17 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. Glass, yes; Mr. Everson, yes. Motion carried.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Glass seconded, to transfer \$1,020.80 from account code 203-32-00-7013 Workers Comp., into account code 203-32-00-7150, per a request of August 3, 2026 from the Ross County Dog Warden.

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

Mr. Glass moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, to transfer \$10,000.00 from account code 100-00-00-0010 General, into account code 203-02-00-5901 Dog & Kennel, per a request of August 3, 2026 from the Ross County Auditor.

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

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Glass seconded, to transfer \$243.78 from account code 203-32-00-7150 Supplies, into account code 203-32-00-7550 Other Expenses, per a request of August 3, 2026 from the Ross County Dog Warden.

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

Mr. Glass moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, to transfer \$5,000.00 from account code 420-18-14-7103 OHMAS Contract, into account code 420-18-14-7550 OHMAS Other, per a request of August 3, 2026 from the Ross County Juvenile Court.

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

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Glass seconded, to transfer \$5,607.55 from account code 237-20-50-7014 Group Insurance, into account code 237-20-50-7015 Employment, per a request of August 3, 2026 from the Ross County Clerk of Courts.

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

APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Glass seconded, to appropriate \$18,870.00 from General Fund into account code 100-21-00-7555 Out of County Autopsies, per a request of August 3, 2026, from the Ross County Coroner.

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

ASSET DISPOSAL

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

QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	TAG/SERIAL #	METHOD OF DISPOSAL
1	3 Drawer File Cabinet	01540	Surplus Property

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

ROSS COUNTY SHOEMAKER AIRPORT HANGAR LEASE

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Glass seconded, to approve a Hangar Lease for Kenneth Cory Black, at the Ross County Shoemaker Airport, hangar 12 at \$135.00 monthly.

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

PROFESSINAL SERVICES AGREEMENT GEOFLIGHT LLC

Mr. Glass moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, to approve a Professional Services Agreement with GeoFlight, LLC to provide professional and technical assistance to the Commissioners, including but not limited to the following services: Provide GIS and related services for county offices, with the exception of the Ross County Auditor's office, on an as needed basis at a rate of \$60.00 per hour for services performed under this Agreement, not to exceed 600 hours for the remaining 2026 calendar year, unless additional hours are needed and agreed upon by both parties and shall be made in writing.

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

2027 TAX BUDGET HEARING

Commissioner Everson opened the 2027 Tax Budget meeting at 10:40am. There was no public comment. Commissioner Everson closed the meeting at 10:47am.

Mr. Lowe moved, Glass seconded, to accept the 2027 Tax budget, prepared by the County Auditor.

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

CONTRACT SIGNING THE OHIO BRIDGE CORPORATION DBA US BRIDGE MT. TABOR ROAD BRIDGE SUPERSTRUCTURE

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Glass seconded, to enter a contract between the County of Ross, State of Ohio, hereinafter called the party of the first part and The Ohio Bridge Corp., DBA US Bridge, Box 757. Cambridge, OH. 43725, to furnish all materials. equipment, and labor necessary to perform the following according 10 the terms and provisions of the specifications and proposal attached hereto and incorporated herein, to the reasonable satisfactions and acceptance of the party of the first part and subject to inspection at all times and in accordance with: PIO 117809 ROS-CR186-5.88 Superstructure Only Mt. Tabor Road. The completion date for the work contemplated by this Unit Price Contract which shall be Mav 14, 2027 at a cost of \$232,931.80.

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

CONTRACT SIGNING THE OHIO BRIDGE CORPORATION DBA US BRIDGE ROZELLE CREEK BRIDGE SUPERSTRUCTURE

Mr. Glass moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, to enter a contract between the County of Ross, State of Ohio, hereinafter called the party of the first part and The Ohio Bridge Corp., DBA US Bridge, Box 757. Cambridge, OH. 43725, to furnish all materials. equipment, and labor necessary to perform the following according 10 the terms and provisions of the specifications and proposal attached hereto and incorporated herein, to the reasonable satisfactions and acceptance of the party of the first part and subject to inspection at all times and in accordance with: PID 1176U ROS-0 184-3.76 Superstructure Only cr-184 Rozelle Creek Rd. 0.35 miles west of US 23. The completion date for the work contemplated by this Unit Price Contract which shall be July 16, 2027 at a cost of \$345,490.54.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION CALLED

Mr. Glass moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, the Ross County Board of Commissioners adjourn into executive session at 11:34am, to discuss security matters.

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 11:34am was adjourned, and the regular meeting resumed at 11:55 am. No action was taken.

PAY APPLICATION 8 TAM CONSTRUCTION INC 104 SEWER PROJECT

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Glass seconded, to approve pay application 8 from TAM Construction, Inc. for work completed on the SR 104 Sewer project in the amount of \$609,319.71.

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

OTHER BUSINESS

IT Courts – Dionna Orr, Judicial Administrator & Mediator and Clerk of Courts Jordan Wheeler discussed the reasons for the increase in the Compass Integration contract and invoicing.

Investment Advisory Board

Land Bank Special Meeting

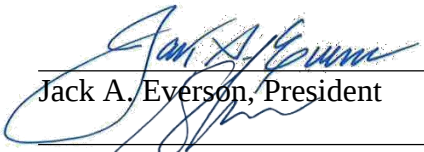
Courthouse Restoration Project Kick off with Occupants, Staff from Judge Ater’s court, Judge Schmidt’s court, the Ross County Sheriff’s office, Schooley Caldwell and Berglund Construction met to discuss the start of the Courthouse Restoration project. The first phase includes painting the bell tower and removing and installing a new roof. Work is expected to start August 17, 2026

Economic Development work session

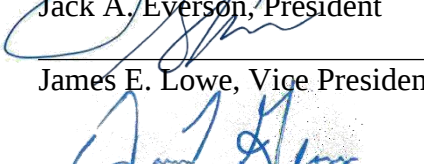
Presentation ZMM, LCNB building

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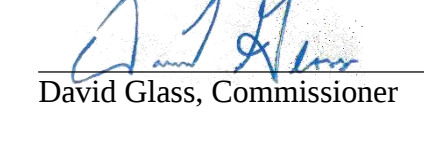
Mr. Jack A. Everson, President, adjourned the regular meeting of August 3, 2026, at 12:15, Board of Commissioners of Ross County, Ohio



Jack A. Everson, President



James E. Lowe, Vice President



David Glass, Commissioner