

THE BOARD OF ATHENS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, met in regular session, with Lenny Eliason presiding, Chris Chmiel and Charlie Adkins in attendance.

Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Chmiel to approve the following agenda:
Athens County Board of County Commissioners

Meeting Agenda for Wednesday, November 12, 2025 Convenes at 9:30 a.m.

Approve Agenda

Approve Minutes October 28, 2025 & November 4, 2025

Approve Appropriations, Transfers, New Line Items Requests/Changes, Then & Nows, & Bills
Fund to Fund: Children SVC \$300.00 from 421.1430.589000 Transfers Out to 049.2049.422101 Transfers In

- 9:30 Brad Curfman - Family Heritage Insurance
- 9:45 Planner Connor LaVelle - Della Dr
- 10:00 Mollie Fitzgerald - ACEDC annual report
- 10:15 EMS - Budget
- 10:30 W&S Supt Oscar Carson - weekly updates & Bob Toy
- 10:45 Ben Ashcraft - Coroner Budget
- 11:00 DJFS Dir Jean Demosky - weekly updates/Bid Opening 510 W Union St Building
- 11:15 BOE-Budget
- 11:30 LUNCH
- 1:00 911/EMA - Budget
- 1:15 HAPCAP - Approval for demolitions
- 1:30 Auditor - Agreement (Scott Dunfee)

Agenda Items

- United Seniors Appointment
- NAR Agreement - Treasurer
- Surplus - Maintenance
- Port Authority appointment
- OPWC Disbursements 9CR08AB/CR09AB \$534,000.00
- WPCLF New Marshfield
- EODA appointment

ADJOURNMENT

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Chmiel to approve the minutes of October 28, 2025 and November 4, 2025.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

Appropriations, Transfers, New Line Items Requests/Changes, Then & Nows, & Bills

A motion was made by Mr. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Chmiel approving the Appropriations, Transfers, New Line Items Requests/Changes, including Fund to Fund: Children SVC \$300.00 from 421.1430.589000 Transfers Out to 049.2049.422101 Transfers In and approving the payment of the required County Bills, which are included in the Auditor's Office INVOICE TRACKING REPORT - From: 11/06/2025 To: 11/10/2025 and the bills are hereby the same and authorize the County Auditor to issue warrants on the County Treasurer for payment in the same. Complete list of bills maintained in the Auditor's office.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

Family Heritage Insurance - Brad Curfman

* Presentation: Brad Curfman Representative from Family Heritage Insurance (a Globe Life company, Ohio-based, BBB top-rated) introduced supplemental insurance options (accident, cancer, heart, hospital indemnity/ICU). Claims average ~6.7 business days; policies are guaranteed renewable with long-term Return of Premium (25 years for main policies, 20 years for hospital indemnity).

* Model & Rationale: Prefers post-tax, employee-owned policies (avoids tax on claim payouts/return of premium). Not requesting county payroll deduction; only permission to inform employees and offer individual enrollment.

* Comparison: Acknowledged existing Aflac and Washington National; stated repeated local complaints about Washington National claims/service and positioned Family Heritage as an improved alternative.

* Service Approach: Agent provides direct claim assistance (uses itemized hospital bills), no cap on top benefits noted; largest current claim cited ~\$300-\$350k with policy still active.

* Request: Permission to meet with employees and departments; use of Commissioners' conference room; willingness to visit various sites (Children Services, Engineer, JFS, etc.).

*** Next Steps/Logistics:**

- * Agent to email contact info and flyers (break-room and department-head versions).
- * County to share availability of conference room and notify department heads/elected officials.
- * Agent unavailable next week due to training in Indiana; scheduling to occur for weeks thereafter.

United Seniors Appointment

* Noted that the Commissioners have an appointment on the United Seniors Board.

* Current member: Jessie Markins (already serving).

* Other seats: Jill is termed out; Lee Raines was mentioned as a prospective appointee for a two-year term.

* Commissioners do not recall formally making the appointment previously; no letter found.

* Meetings are reportedly ~1 hour monthly.

* Action: Administrator Rockhold to obtain and circulate the bylaws for review before any new appointment/confirmation.

NAR Agreement - Treasurer

A motion was made by Mr. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Chmiel to authorize Treasurer Taylor Sappington to sign the Tax Certificate Sale/Purchase Agreement by and between Taylor Sappington Athens County Treasurer and NAR Ohio, LLC. Full agreement on file in the Commissioners Office.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

Surplus - Maintenance

A motion was made by Mr. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Chmiel to approve and declare the Surplus for Maintenance Dept for scrap:

Description:

Electric Cook Stove

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

Della Dr - Planner Connor LaVelle*** Della Drive Floodplain Enforcement**

* Request: Send the ongoing Della Drive floodplain compliance issue to the Prosecutor's Office if not resolved promptly.

* Required actions for the property owner: Obtain permits from Ohio EPA and the County Engineer's Office.

* Compliance deadline set to 30 days (reduced from the initially suggested 60 days).

* Notice: A formal posted notice will state that failure to comply within 30 days will result in referral to the Prosecutor.

* Violation level: Misdemeanor.

A motion was made by Mr. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Chmiel to proceed with the 30-day notice and referral plan.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

Bridge Project Update - Planner Connor LaVelle

- * Status: Contractor is awaiting brackets needed to install the fencing on the bridge railing; this is the final component before completion.
- * Next step: After installation, coordination with ODOT to schedule a ribbon-cutting/opening (target in ~two weeks, subject to parts arrival).
- * Community impact: Anticipated to be a significant safety and access improvement ("for kids and everyone").
- * Related item: Separate structure on site (house) awaiting permits via Roger Taylor, Fire Chief (Chauncey/Dover); progress delayed—goal was completion before the ribbon cutting.

Port Authority Appointment

A motion was made by Mr. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Chmiel to appoint Eric Muth to the Athens County Port Authority:
November 17, 2025

Eric Muth
15201 E. Scatter Ridge Rd
Athens, Ohio 45701

Dear Mr. Muth,

The Board of Athens County Commissioners, in its regular meeting on November 12, 2025, appointed you to serve on the Athens County Prot Authority for an unexpired term beginning November 1, 2024, and ending October 31, 2028.

Thank you for your continued dedication and willingness to serve Athens County in this capacity. Your service plays a vital role in fostering the development and success of our community.

Sincerely,

/s/Lenny Eliason, President

/s/Charlie Adkins, Vice-President

/s/Chris Chmiel

ACC:jr

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

OPWC Disbursements 9CR08AB/CR09AB \$534,000.00

A motion was made by Mr. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Chmiel to authorize Commissioner Eliason to sign the OPWC Disbursements for CR08AB/CR09AB request number 1 in the amount of \$534,000.00. Full document on back of page 375.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

WPCLF New Marshfield

A motion was made by Mr. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Chmiel to authorize Commissioner Eliason to sign and submit the 45 year term for the WPCLF - US 50 New Marshfield Gravity Sanitary Sewer.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

EODA Appointment

A motion was made by Mr. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Chmiel to appoint Boone Troyer to serve on the Eastern Ohio Development Association Board (EODA):
November 14, 2025

Boone Troyer
9459 Sand Ridge Rd
Millfield, Ohio 45761

Dear Mr. Troyer,

The Board of Athens County Commissioners, in its regular session on November 12, 2025, appointed you to serve on the Eastern Ohio Development Association Board (EODA). Your term will expire on December 31, 2027.

Thank you for your willingness to serve the citizens of Athens County in this capacity.

Respectfully,

/s/Lenny Eliason, President

/s/Charlie Adkins, Vice-President

/s/Chris Chmiel

ACC:jr

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

ACEDC Annual Report - Mollie Fitzgerald

Mollie Fitzgerald provided the ACEDC Annual Report, see back of page 376 for full report.

EMS - Jeff Ostrander

A motion was made by Mr. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Chmiel to accept the change of status from Full-Time to Part-Time for Jeff Ostrander.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

EMS - Facilities & Maintenance Updates

Chief Amber Pyle provided the following updates:

- * Heated floor system (radiant) & pressure issue: Air Claws technician "Ray" reported system was holding pressure; some valves/"white knobs" were mis-set (closed when should be open). He'll recheck next week.
- * Mold/condensation rings around ceiling light fixtures (training room is colder; issue likely unrelated to floor heat per technician). Plan to inspect above ceiling; access is difficult (may need lift).

EMS - Budget

Chief Amber Pyle presented the 2026 EMS Budget.

W&S Supt Carson - Weekly Updates

Supt Carson provided the following weekly updates:

- 1) Follow-up letter & new development sewer ownership
 - * Letter: Asked if draft letter was okay to send.
 - * Developer request: Mr. Funk wants to retain ownership of the private sewer line and pump station for a 61-unit project (apartment-style, not a platted subdivision).
 - * Board stance: Concern over I&I risk and O&M accountability if the County doesn't own the assets. If developer keeps ownership, County must at minimum meter flows outside the private station to avoid paying for infiltration and to ensure enforceability.
 - * Policy note: Current policy is County owns system infrastructure; any exception must be voted on by the Board.
 - * Next steps:
 - * Invite developer to a meeting to discuss; staff to contact developer.
 - * Coordinate with Planning Commission/Connor on prior practice in The Plains.
 - * Any letter granting 61 taps must include a development deadline (avoid perpetual reservation) and specify refund/retain rules if the project doesn't proceed.
- 2) Route 50 rate escalation memo (3%/yr from 2026)
 - * Found prior memo noting a 3% annual increase starting 2026.
 - * Staff (with Steph) indicates finances are OK without automatic increase; unsure if 3% was mandatory.
 - * Board direction: Provide the financial analysis to confirm there's no contractual requirement (appears to have been a projection, not a USDA condition). If reserves/coverage remain sound, escalation is discretionary.
- 3) UV disinfection status / compliance
 - * UV "blue" lamps issue addressed; disinfection suspended after October per seasonal requirements.

ACPA Speculative Building

The Port Authority spec building was completed and received its certification of completion in May 2025.

- Contracted with commercial broker JLL in July to market the building and help secure an end user
- Submitted the site for 12 JobsOhio leads in 2025
- Hosted three company site visits (two existing)
- ACPA waiting approval from EDA for the alternate bid for the 6" floor slab (delayed due to government shutdown)
- Successfully mediated with contractor and saved ACPA \$480,000 in extended project conditions costs.



2025 Funding Secured

Funding Source	Project	Award Amount
JobsOhio Small Business Grants	Shagbark Seed & Mill	\$ 50,000
	Mio's Whole World Gourmet	\$ 50,000
Rural Industrial Park Loan Program	ACPA Spec Building	\$ 1,323,600
ODOD Brownfield Remediation Program	Russell's Assessment & Remediation	\$ 225,183
OhioSE Special Purpose Grant	Canaanville Arch Survey	\$ 2,533
Enterprise Zone Agreements		
	Stewart MacDonald	\$ 20,072
	Quicklandz	\$ 5,484
	Lostro Ventures	\$ -
Ohio EPA Targeted Brownfield Assessment	Ambassador Laundry ESA	\$ 23,000
Congressman Balderson Community Project Funding	Albany Access Rose	\$ 1,500,000
Tax Increment Financing	Revenue Capture	\$ 559,788
Downtown Redevelopment Districts	Revenue Capture	\$ 10,432
TOTAL 2025 FUNDING		\$ 3,770,092



Report to Athens County Commissioners November 12, 2025

The Athens County Economic Development Council's mission is to be a catalyst for quality jobs and progress in Athens County and throughout the region by creating a seamless network of economic development resources through partnerships with government, business and nonprofit organizations.

Organizational Partners

- JobsOhio
- Ohio Department of Development
- USDA Rural Development
- Economic Development Administration
- US Environmental Protection Agency
- OhioSE Economic Development
- Buckeye Hills Regional Council
- Outdoor Recreation Council of Appalachia
- Ohio University
- Area 14 Workforce Development Board
- HAPCAP
- OU Innovation Center
- Small Business Development Center
- Small Business Development Center
- TechGrowth Ohio
- OU Innovation Center
- Visit Athens County
- Athens Area Chamber of Commerce
- Athens County Foundation
- Utility Providers
- Athens County Commissioners
- City, Village and Township representatives

Brownfield Remediation Projects

In 2025, the Athens County Port Authority was the designated entity to manage the county's \$1mm set aside for brownfield remediation and demolition projects.

2025 Projects	Funding Source	Amount
Russell's Gas Station	ODOD Remediation	\$ 225,183
Ambassador Laundry	ODOD Assessment & Remediation	Dropped
Washington Road, Albany	ODOD Reallocation	\$ 124,762
Stimson Avenue/Ambassador	Ohio EPA Targeted BF Assessment	\$ 23,000
TOTAL		\$ 372,945



There is no designated entity for 2026 Brownfield projects, but the ACPA still intends to work on the county's behalf to submit the following projects:

2026 Pipeline Projects	Funding Source	Amount
Ambassador Laundry	ODOD Assessment	TBD
OU/317 Board Property	Ohio EPA Targeted BF Assessment	TBD
73, 63/85 High Street, Glouster	ODOD Assessment	TBD



2025 Overview

Throughout 2025, the ACEDC has focused efforts on site development, downtown revitalization & business retention and expansion projects.



Received Certificate of Completion and Occupancy for 60k SF spec building. Waiting EDA approval to bid out floor slab.

Closing Rural Industrial Park Loan in November 2025.

Exploiting development opportunities for remaining ACPA-owned adjacent land. Currently re-bidding ARC-funded Canaanville sewer project.



Supported Vibrant Communities grant application for the Eagles Building in Nelsonville.

Managed Ohio EPA and ODOD Brownfields funding that assesses and reneigates priorities for redevelopment.

Moved ACEDC offices into the Athens Armory!



Hosted 33 business retention and expansion (BRE) meetings with area businesses.

Re-engaged the City of Nelsonville on the ACEDC board (had been inactive member since 2015).

Secured JobsOhio Small Business and OhioSE Special Purpose grants in support of emerging and existing companies.

Looking Forward: 2026 and beyond



Secure tenant(s) for speculative building and plan for next spec building.



Complete sewer extension in Canaanville which will provide infrastructure necessary to support site development efforts.



Work with GVS to update the ACEDC's strategic plan with new 5-year goals and objectives.



Support county-wide housing initiatives by serving on the Affordable Housing Commission, identifying potential sites, and attracting developers.



Increase RLF lending through strategic partnerships with local CDFIs



Continue to assess and cleanup Brownfields sites throughout the county with ODOD/Ohio EPA funding.

Project Spotlight: Hocking Hills Garment Center

Hocking Hills Garment Center is a clothing manufacturer located in Buchtel that is committed to providing everyone the opportunity to buy Made in America garments at a fair price. In 2025, HHGC has hired and trained 15 employees generating significant economic impact for Athens County:

	15	2	3	20
Employment				
Sales/Output	\$2,346,551	\$304,057	\$684,150	\$3,334,757
Compensation	\$753,930	\$135,890	\$199,708	\$1,089,527
GDP	\$2,346,551	\$230,156	\$494,447	\$3,071,155

The ACEDC is working with HHGC to relocate a closing dye facility from Columbus to Athens. The M&E from the company was purchased through grant funding procured by Future Plans.

This supports critical industry diversification through cluster development and will generate 50+ jobs over the next 5 years.



Management of Local Economic Development Tools & Programs



Tax Incentive Review Council: The ACEDC manages annual review of all incentive programs in the county including:

- Tax Increment Financing District (TIF)
- Enterprise Zone Agreements (3)
- Downtown Redevelopment Districts (2)
- Community Reinvestment Area



Revolving Loan Funds: The ACEDC administers both the City and County RLFs.

In 2025 and into 2026 we will explore strategic partnerships with CDFIs to increase lending through existing RLF programs.



JobsOhio Grants & Loans: The ACEDC serves as the local development office that tracks grants through OhioSE/JobsOhio, including but not limited to Site Readiness funds, Revitalization, Economic Development and Small Business grants.

- * One isolated high reading occurred; since corrected.
- * No outstanding violations reported

Country Club EDU Dispute - Bob Toy

- * Context: Policy §4.07 cited by club; they argue EDUs should align with actual water usage. Their ask moved from 3.26 to 4 EDUs. Board previously countered with 10 EDUs.
- * Board's 10-EDU rationale:
 - * Residential EDU = 3,000 gal/month.
 - * Club average during high-use months ≈ 40,000 gal/month → ~13.3 EDUs by usage.
 - * Board offered 10 as a substantial reduction from prior 25, and to limit system-wide cross-subsidy (noted ~\$8/month systemwide rate impact to cover the reduction).
- * Club position update: Toy floated 6 EDUs; referenced an annual total (~211,000 gal) / 365 calc to support a lower figure; requested compromise and offered to submit numbers in writing.
- * Board discussion:
 - * Will review the math once the club submits a written usage summary (apples-to-apples).
 - * Board open to a data-driven figure; concern about precedent if going below a defensible usage-based number.
 - * Commissioner Chmiel suggested if math points higher, so be it; otherwise consider "meeting in the middle" (e.g., 8 EDUs) pending analysis.
- * Policy/EPA references: Staff to verify the manual's statement that policy "follows EPA guidelines" (likely state portions only; OEPA contact said no general "policy guidelines"). Gary to confirm any federal/state references.
- * Next steps:
 - * Club to submit written usage calculations (monthly detail and annuals).
 - * Staff to produce Board worksheet: monthly usage, seasonal peaks, average method(s), implied EDUs by different bases, and systemwide rate impact scenarios (10, 8, 6 EDUs).
 - * Gary to advise on EPA/USDA guideline citations.
 - * Board to determine final EDU count and corresponding rate adjustment mechanics if needed.

Coroner - Budget

Ben Ashcraft presented the 2026 Coroner Budget.

DJFS Dir Jean Demosky - Weekly Updates

Dir Jean Demosky provided the following weekly updates:

1. Program & Staffing Updates
 - * SNAP changes: State guidance is shifting daily (one memo said 50% issuance; another referenced 65%). Director will update commissioners as memos arrive and expects more clarity after tomorrow's executive meeting (with John Hannig).
 - * Hiring: Proceeding to post three Driver positions. Director spoke with Child Support earlier the same day.
2. Facilities & Real Estate
 - * Building lease (incl. coffee shop space):
 - * Recommendation: Issue formal notice of intent not to renew the lease that expires June 30, 2026 (notice required ≥90 days before end).
 - * Discussion: Commissioner Chmiel wanted a broader plan/financials before acting. Counsel noted notice can be rescinded later, but missing the notice window cannot be undone.
 - * Appraisal request: Sent to Matt Sweeney; appraiser has not yet contacted the county.
 - * Outsider/Collins auction follow-up (building sale):
 - * Prior auction drew no bids; a potential buyer said they lacked time to prepare.
 - * Concept: Re-list with a longer runway (e.g., through Feb) but allow early sale if someone meets a minimum bid of \$950,000; 6% buyer's premium remains (paid by buyer). Collins indicates no additional ad cost due to prior postings.
 - * Next step: Seek a legal opinion from the Prosecutor on whether a flexible date/early-sale trigger is permissible under disposal statutes. No changes until legal clears it.
3. CSEA 4D Contracts (66% Federal Reimbursement)
 - * Status: Can re-establish 4D contracts (previously paused) so routine business can resume and 66% reimbursements can flow.
 - * Process: Use county template contract language and provider budgets; do not have the Prosecutor create/approve the contracts due to conflict (may route to CORSA for review).
 - * Commissioners' requirement: Provide detailed documentation on money flows, budgets, and RMS coding before any approvals. Meeting with Judge Saunders this week to align budgets.
 - * Materials: Projection sheets were provided in session.
4. Fiscal/RMS/Coding & State Monitoring

- * TANF exposure: There may be TANF payback related to prior coding; final amount unknown until closeout. One worksheet shows current overspend ~ \$186k.
 - * RMS remediation:
 - * Reassigned a PA Supervisor as RMS Analyst to audit hits, notes, and ensure proper code usage.
 - * Sabrina (state) meeting Friday to refine coding practices (wording matters; must be accurate and supportable).
 - * Principle: Be thorough and honest—only code TANF if TANF topics are actually discussed/needed; avoid shifting to SNAP when inappropriate (SNAP is a smaller pot).
 - * State scrutiny: Monitoring tightens once findings occur; a meeting with state officials is being scheduled via the State Rep to clarify Athens County's situation/history.
5. Community Cares Fund (Internal 501(c)(3))
- * Capacity issue: JFS cannot staff the nonprofit's compliance/operations.
 - * Recommendation: Dissolve the nonprofit; use remaining funds to support Operation Full Belly; do not apply for new grants; finish existing grants.
 - * Future approach: Explore partnering with established 501(c)(3)s (e.g., Athens County Food Pantry) for donations/grants that require a nonprofit.
6. Labor/HR – Overtime Clarification
- * Overtime definition (MOA Article 16): OT is hours worked > 40 per week; sick, vacation, personal, and comp time do not count toward the 40.
 - * 36-hour standard week: Employees called in (e.g., snow removal) do not earn OT until they exceed 40 actual hours worked; vacation cannot be used to "top off" to reach OT.
 - * Attendance: Failure to report when called in may trigger discipline.

SAOP Lease Agreement - Not to Renew Lease Agreement

A motion was made by Mr. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Chmiel to issue notice of Intent Not to renew lease agreement: November 17, 2025

Survivor Advocacy Outreach Program
Madison Trace, Executive Director

Re: Notice of Intent Not to Renew Lease Agreement

Dear Madison,

The Athens County Board of Commissioners is writing to provide formal notice regarding the Lease Agreement between the Board of Commissioners and the Survivor Advocacy Outreach Program, which is scheduled to expire on June 30, 2026.

The Board has determined that it will not renew the lease upon its expiration. In accordance with the terms of the agreement, this notice is being provided more than ninety (90) days prior to the expiration date of June 30, 2026.

The Commissioners believe that providing this notice well in advance is in the best interest of both parties. Since the Survivor Advocacy Outreach Program has not yet opened the proposed coffee shop at the leased premises, the Board is open to discussing the possibility of a mutually agreed-upon early termination of the lease. Should this be of interest, we welcome the opportunity to explore options that may be beneficial to all involved.

Please consider this letter to be the formal written notice required under the lease agreement. Should you have any questions or wish to discuss early termination, you may contact our office at your convenience.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

/s/Lenny Eliason, President

/s/Charlie Adkins

/s/Chris Chmiel

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

Community Care Fund (Internal 501(c)(3))

A motion was made by Mr. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Eliason to instruct the Community Cares Board to dissolve and develop an exit plan with legal guidance on fund disbursement, complete existing grants, and recommend disposition of remaining funds..

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

Sheriff's Dept. Issue - William Holland

Mr. Holland reported difficulty obtaining complete police reports and alleged disrespectful treatment by sheriff's staff; also raised concerns about mishandled returned property and related university thefts.

Commissioners advised they have no authority over the Sheriff and recommended Mr. Holland schedule directly with the Sheriff's Office and/or file complaints with Ohio University Police for campus-related issues.

Mr. Holland acknowledged and departed.

BOE - Budget

Tony Brooks presented the 2026 BOE Budget.

911/EMA Budget

Teresa Imler presented the 2026 911/EMA Budgets.

HAPCAP - Approval for Demolitions

A motion was made by Mr. Chmiel and seconded by Mr. Adkins to approve Commissioner Adkins to sign the 19 Building Demolition and Site Revitalization Program forms.

The Athens County Commissioners recognize the residential structure listed below as vacant, blighted, unsafe and substandard and recommends, with the owner's consent, that the Building Demolition and Site Revitalization Program demolish the structure at the expense of the Building Demolition and Site Revitalization Program for the safety and health of the Community.

Owner's Name:	Parcel #:	Address:
Teather Morris	N010010008300	5350 Gun Club Rd, Athens OH 45701
Kendra Stanley-McNally	N010010039800	550 Doolittle Hill Rd, Nelsonville OH 45764
Jonathan Rainey	M060030000500	0 Congress St, Trimble OH 45782
Gary Cox II & Polly Cox	P030270000100	840 High St, Nelsonville OH 45764
Gary Cox II & Polly Cox	P030270000100	839 High St, Nelsonville OH 45764
Daryl Westenberg, Sharon Kearney	P030290009700	525 Patton St, Nelsonville OH 45764
Jack Riley	G020020004600	24 Mill St, Chauncey OH 45719
Steve Buck	G020020000900	63 Converse St, Chauncey OH 45719
Larry Kent	G020060013100	29 Main St, Chauncey OH 45719
Janet Olena Smith	M050030003600	64 E Palmer St, Jacksonville OH 45740
AC Land Reutilization Corp	M040100003600	21 Braun St, Glouster OH 45732
AC Land Reutilization Corp	M010010063101	18592 Greens Run Rd, Glouster OH 45732
AC Land Reutilization Corp	M050010001900	15 N Third St, Jacksonville OH 45740
AC Land Reutilization Corp	M010210112200	8525 SR-78, Glouster OH 45732
AC Land Reutilization Corp	M010010061700	8800 Sr-685, Glouster OH 45732
AC Land Reutilization Corp	M040090008200	45 Atkins St, Glouster OH 45732
AC Land Reutilization Corp	M040150011700	50 Locust St, Glouster OH 45732
AC Land Reutilization Corp	M040150001200	6 Morgan St, Glouster OH 45732
Charles Wood	M060020007600	191771 Lake Dr, Trimble OH 45782

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, absent; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

Surplus - Maintenance (Amend)

A motion was made by Mr. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Chmiel to amend the earlier approval of the Surplus for Maintenance Dept for scrap and sell for a \$1.00 to Jerry Welch:

Description:
Electric Cook Stove

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, absent; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

Weights & Measures Software Contract - Auditor's Office

Purpose: Adopt WinWam software (Nover Engelstein & Associates) for the Weights & Measures inspectors to replace paper processes with digital tracking, record retention, and reporting. Vendor plans a future cloud migration that will handle data storage/maintenance.

Legal review: Prosecutor's office reviewed the agreement; struck clauses not compliant with Ohio law.

Authority & Signatures: Contract includes signature lines for the Auditor and Board of Commissioners.

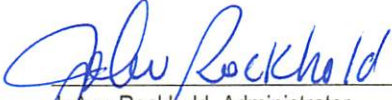
A motion was made by Mr. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Chmiel to approve the agreement with Nover Engelstein & Associates for the Weights & Measures Software Contract.

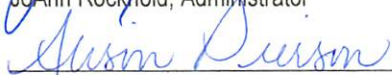
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Adjourn


A motion was made by Mr. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Chmiel to adjourn the above meeting.

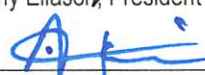
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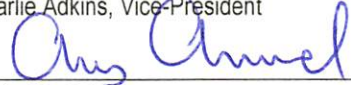


JoAnn Rockhold, Administrator


Alison Pierson, Clerk



Lenny Eliason, President


Charlie Adkins, Vice-President


Chris Chmiel