

Description	Williams County Commissioners' Regular Session # 21	
Date	March 26, 2026	
Time	Speaker	Note
9:02:40 AM	SL	All right we will bring the meeting to order and begin with the Pledge.
9:03:06 AM	Roll Call	TR: Yes; BW: Present: SL: Here; Quorum is met.
9:03:17 AM	Resolution 162	Approving the Minutes from Regular Session on March 24 th ; BW: Motion; TR: Second; Roll Call: TR: Yes; BW: Yes; SL: Yes; Motion Carried.
9:04:00 AM	Resolution 163	Approving the agenda as amended to add an Executive Session to consider compensation and contract documents for Project 2-2026; BW: Motion; TR: Second; Roll Call: TR: Yes; BW: Yes; SL: Yes; Motion Carried.
9:04:50 AM	Resolution 164	Approving the payment of bills; BW: Motion; TR: Second; Roll Call: TR: Yes; BW: Yes; SL: Yes; Motion Carried.
9:05:05 AM	Discussion	SL: Did you guys see the \$4,700 to Hillside for Building consulting February? BW: Building consulting? TR: I missed it; SL: Do you know what that is? BW: I can look but I don't know what it is. SL: I clicked on to it and I can't figure it out from there either. DD and Billing and consulting fee February 26. TR: Who is the vendor? SL: Cooper Men Advisors, Citron? TR: Citron is the billing company that we use to bill for I think. I think I asked for this one before. They are the ones who tell us how to bill and that all of that fund stuff. SL: They tell us how to bill? TR: You should ask Darrell, I will shut up. He has told me before but I don't remember. SL: So, we don't know what that is, okay. I hope that is not every month. VH: I will call Darrell and get the particulars.
9:06:42 AM	Resolution 165	Approving the Supplemental Appropriations on behalf of the Board of Elections, Commissioners, Engineer and Sheriff; BW: Motion; TR: Second; Roll Call: TR: Yes; BW: Yes; SL: Yes; Motion Carried.
9:07:35 AM	Resolution 166	Entering into a Memorandum of Understanding between Williams County Commissioners on behalf of EMS and the Williams County Engineer utilizing light duty transitional work for an injured EMS staff; BW: So, moved, (but didn't we already do this? VH: Yes, but you didn't actually so we wrote it and I sent it to Kyle, he then sent it to Todd, they both finally agreed, Todd signed and sent it back and so now it is for you guys to sign. BW: Okay. SL: Remember Todd said he sent it in; TR: I will second it; Roll Call: TR: Yes; BW: Yes; SL: Yes; Motion Carried.
9:08:20 AM	SL	While you are asking about that consulting fee there is another one on there for \$7,500 from Plat and Morgan? Do you know anything about that one Vond? VH: I do not. SL: Plante Moran VH: Yes Plante Moran; SL: There is really no explanation, so you guys have probably heard of that one, haven't you? BW: I have heard that name; TR: They are a consulting group that every time in years past, was asked a question and Lew Hilkert would say well get a hold of Plant Moran they are the ones who set up all that stuff and know all that stuff. So that

		is how much I know about them, but they seem to set Medicaid and Medicare rates and they look at, the one company that we first talked about are the actually billing company and they actually send the bills to Medicaid/Medicare. Plante Moran helps us compile all of the data in order to tell them how much to pay. Like we got the paper work the other day and it was showing us the reimbursements and it said \$0 for property tax, like we paid no property tax and I said why is that a zero. That is Plante Moran setting up our Medicaid/Medicare reimbursement according to the rules that the state throws at us and our actual costs. So, once that, so Plante Moran's one set of a consultant that set all this stuff up but I think your almost forced to hire and then the other one is the actual people that do the billing. I think. I am sure on Plante Moran, I am not sure on the billing company. SL: You ready? TR: I don't even know where we are at. BW: Yeah, we are all set.
9:10:22 AM	Resolution 167	Updating the authorization of the County Administrator to perform administrative functions so you are updating Resolution 24-283 and it is just to follow ORC 9.17 since that amount increases 3% every year; BW: So, moved; TR: Second; Roll Call: TR: Yes; BW: Yes; SL: Yes; Motion Carried.
9:11:22 AM	Resolution 168	Entering into an equipment lease agreement on behalf of Hillside with Tilt Amusements for an equipment lease for a James Bond Pinball Machine at a monthly rental of \$200 for 24 months and there is also a \$200 delivery fee; BW: So, moved; TR: Second; Roll Call: TR: Yes; BW: Yes; SL: Yes; Motion Carried.
9:12:59 AM	Hillside	TR: We named that the Lirot Pinball Machine instead of James Bond, I am going to call it Scott, Scott Bond. SL: Not recording all of that are you? TR: Oh, yea on record. AR: It sure is. TR: On record on purpose. I think it is noteworthy that \$100 of the \$200 goes toward a purchase price. So, if they actually get it there and it is working and they utilize it, there could be a potential of putting \$100 of that towards the purchase price, and if it sits out there and they don't use, then at least we don't own it. BW: And the shuffle board is there and being used. SL: And also note that this is not coming out of general fund, this is out of funds that would have been donated by people who have stayed there that have said we need more things to do out here and they actually have an activities fund that has nearly \$600,000 in it to do activities for the people out there. We did a survey with people and said what can we do for you and that is where we got the pool table that was actually free, then we got a shuffle board table and now there is a pinball machines, so it is not costing tax payers anything this is just trying to make a better place for people to be out there. We are already number 1, we just want to stay there. TR: I think it is noteworthy to that we talked about using that money or borrowing out of that fund instead of using general fund money but we just didn't feel like it was right that if somebody puts money in an account and it is specifically used for this, use it for this, don't start dipping into it. So, we have done a pretty good job of keeping our hands out of it and truly use it for things that are good for the citizens. SL: Yeah and it actually started at a little over \$400,000 and with interest it has grown to that, so and the interest goes into that

		fund also, it is not one of those funds where it goes into our general. TR: Yeah. SL: Yeah what?
9:13:49 AM	TR/SL	TR: Nothing it good. I was thinking Bryan Area Foundation, is there a better way to hold that money than just keeping it in an account here, but we are getting good interest money on it and I don't know that we want to pollute private with government and all of that stuff. SL: I will tell you what though if we every come up with a great project out there, they may match us. That would be something to think about in the future if we want a gazebo out back or something. TR: Right.
9:14:23 AM	Also Signed	Dog Warden Weekly Report for March 16; Credit Card Appropriations on behalf of the Auditor's Office for the month of April; 2 permits to work within County Twp Road right of ways on behalf of Charter; Contracts for Project 2-2026
9:14:51 AM	Executive Session	BW: I would make the motion that we go into executive Session under Ohio Revised Code: 121.22(G)(1) for compensation and I would invite Vond to join us; TR: Second: Roll Call: TR: Yes; BW: Yes; SL: Yes; Motion Carried.
9:58:42 AM	SL	We are out of Executive Session with No Action.
9:58:53 AM	RECESS	SL: We stand in recess.
10:06:15 AM	SL	We are back in regular session with a Bona Vesta update with Todd Roth, John Waterston and you guys have the floor.
10:06:38 AM	Todd	Okay to get everybody up to speed we did a couple parts and pieces done and one of the major projects that we did we got critical infrastructure money and put a tile through Bona Vesta.
10:07:01 AM	Todd	So, in essence we have a good structure at this point, goes through the subdivision comes out and then outlets across on 127. So, we've seen good results from it, it's handling a lot of the water. But the next phase was water that's coming across this area is what 300 something acres and it's when a sheet flows across here and it makes its way to this point. And it doesn't get in the tile and it comes through the subdivision, okay. So, the next phase was to try to capture that and control it and how can we do it.
10:07:56 AM	Todd	So, that's where we're at today. So, we've done this preliminary, this is very preliminary, I mean this is just conceptional at best. But to do it there are a couple different problems. One is a sheet flowing, so they still have I believe still have some problems, we have problems with our sanitary sewer, storm water getting in. So, there are a number of things here. So, and the water that's coming through if you ever watch it out on 127 it is very brown, very dirty it has a lot of material in it, I am sure a lot of nutrients in it. So, the thought is we can capture this. We can help in many ways and we can clean the water, so there's a lot of benefits to it.
10:08:57 AM	Todd	So, the thought here is to try to capture it here take it through this and this and then three outlets back into the tile that we put in with critical infrastructure money. Try to get this and get it directed up to here. And then in doing this project

		you know, there's a wetland creation there is a reduction, there's an educational piece could be. Again, this is all conceptual.
10:09:29 AM	Todd	So, this is what we came up with to do that. This right-of-way already exists through here. It is already platted. That is actually where the sanitary sewer comes through it comes through here and then out.
10:09:47 AM	BW	So that's an easement?
10:09:49 AM	Todd	It is an already dedicated right-of-way. Yup. So, this is the conceptual at this point to do this means obtaining obviously this land and there's two property owners here. This property owner and this property owner. This property owner is willing to sell, but we need to trade to get it under one purchase.
10:10:20 AM	SL	They will sell the whole thing?
10:10:24 AM	Todd/BW	This property owner will sell all of it and then contain a trade with this with this. This property owner farms it, so you provide the ability to continue to farm this, it is just a different shape is all it is really. So, there's, there's Clean Ohio Funds to purchase land for conservation. So, we would like to pursue that allocation are due typically around October, I think they were looking at their methodology right now. But, the trigger to this is the chicken or the egg. So, we want to go to funding sources but we don't own the land yet. Well, I don't want to buy the land if I don't know I have the funding. BW: Legal document. Todd: yea we are working on an agreement right now. And we've gotten an agreement, talked to the attorney, not in agreement with the agreement, so we need to revise the agreement. Hopefully we can work through it but at the same time we need to be applying for funding.
10:11:38 AM	Todd	So, we did submit for capital budget funds.
10:11:42 AM	John W/Todd	Those were due on the 16th of March, Todd: so that went in. JW: The tricky part to all of this is it's it's got a big picture and *inaudible* there is certain funding *inaudible* H2Ohio they want them in by March 31st but they will take them all year but March 31 st is kind of their time when they want it in and that will only pay for the *inaudible* no land, no trails *inaudible* none of that. There will only be the wet. Todd: this. JW: you have to show them a whole big picture this is what we are looking at and do all these different things and that is how sell this this project and that is how you get it to happen. You have all these players involved. It is just on a coordination course.
10:12:31 AM	Todd	So, the reason for today is if we can't all come together as a group. You know the township has skin in the game. We don't really have any skin in the game, it is not our storm sewer. It is not our streets. So, I can't take money out of my funds to pay for this project. I can help, I can assist and that is what we have been doing but we can't pay for it. We need everybody in on this on the same page.
10:13:08 AM	BW/Todd/SL	BW: Do we need to incorporate the city? Todd: No, no. SL: Is that all gravity flowing this way? Todd: yea, everything is flowing this way. SL: So, try to get it from here to there. Gravity. A pump?

10:13:25 AM	Todd	We don't want any mechanical means on this. No, no mechanical needs. So, there's H2Ohio money, Clean Ohio Money, There's capital money and then there is trying to get an agreement to get these property owners to sign an agreement that yes when you get to that point we switch and you buy. So, I am trying to get this organized, is what we are doing right now. So, that if the funding says yes, then we are truly ready to go. Because that is what it is going to take. So, even like let's say *inaudible* Clean Ohio funds, lets say we get a group for it and that is a big if but if we do, we can't buy land and then trade it because in that program we can buy the land, you are committing it, its committed so we can't then trade it. So, we have to do the trade, do the switch and then buy this. It's tricky very tricky, so we just need to make sure everybody understands and everybody is in agreement to do it. I don't know what that means exactly on everybody's parts, the township's part, the commissioners' part, we met with Soil & Water yesterday.
10:14:53 AM	John	They would have been here but their big trees are coming in today and they have to set up the trees for their event.
10:15:00 AM	Todd	And Dennis Miller with Maumee Valley has a clean Ohio Methodology meeting I think today, which is one of the funds, the main funds that we are going to need to apply
10:15:16 AM	BW	If you are doing this in a temporary you want to *inaudible* you have time to sell him on that. *inaudible*
10:15:27 AM	Todd	Yeah, it's, you know, the first thing is we have to work on an agreement to agree to do the switch, because if we can't get that then we are out. You know, the funding, which I'm sure there's some money, some leverage money that is going to be required. We are going to have discussions on that. On who is willing to put money into this, I can't. So
10:16:05 AM	SL	Talking about putting money up for it or need too?
10:16:11 AM	Todd	Yea, well probably both
10:16:14 AM	BW	*inaudible* Reimbursable, will they primarily reimbursable merits? Front the money so you can go through the process to be reimburse?
10:16:18 AM	Todd	That's what we're trying to figure out. I am not 100% sure how and I think the Clean Ohio is like a 75/25. So, where is the 25?
10:16:32 AM	SL	Talking about assessing these people?
10:16:37 AM	Todd	That's where permanent maintenance comes in. It is an option. Again.
10:16:44 AM	SL	It's easier to swallow if we can get numbers. I think it is a good plan Todd.
10:16:53 AM	BW	You haven't put a cost together yet, cost estimate?
10:16:55 AM	Todd	We did. 2.2 million. BW: For the whole project?
10:16:59 AM	John	That is land acquisition, that's building the wet lands, that's *inaudible*
10:17:05 AM	Todd	Maybe not 100 of the features you know at some point you got to say okay this is our limit. Maybe somewhere later down the line different features or different

10:17:22 AM	TR	Does it make sense that the commissioners purchase the land with maybe a reimbursement, I would about tell you that Carlin would buy it back. If you can't make this deal go together in 3-5 years. Lets just give it a 5-year window and say Mr. Carlin if we can't get this deal done will you purchase the property back at X? And then we only have cash out, you know a short-term investment into a long-term program. If your need is truly to own that property before the chicken or egg, right, when do we need to buy the property.
10:17:50 AM	Todd	So, that's one of the questions, we thought about that. Can you buy the property and then we still apply for the funding to buy the property? It's almost like we're buying it from ourselves then.
10:18:07 AM	TR	Can the Township buy the property?
10:18:12 AM	Todd	I don't know. I don't know. These are the questions. This is why it is a difficult process. This is why it hasn't happened. Because there's just so many parts and pieces. I think it can be done. It's just getting it worked out and time for the funding opportunities. So, we submitted it for the Capital Budget, because it was due. We didn't submit last year for the Clean Ohio Funds. I thought somebody else from the county was going to submit. So, you know we keep missing new targets. So, we are saying now for us we are either going to do it or I am going to shred that file. I can't continue to, to talk about it. So, I don't know how important it is, it is very important to these guys. It is an important project. I think it is a great project.
10:19:08 AM	TR	I am assuming the township is not sitting on half a million dollars?
10:19:16 AM	Twp Trustee	We have not found it yet.
10:19:18 AM	TR	No money tree in front of the township building? Twp Trustees: No TR: Right, so I don't see committing county funds long term just *inaudible* loans just seem so much easier at the county level, I feel like we can get it back with the out clause of dirt is always going to be worth dirt. I mean you might lose money on dirt but chances are if he's farming or whoever buys this and owns this *inaudible* put this program together but we have talked about this, I have been a commissioner for 10 years and we have talked about it so for God's sake let's do something.
10:19:45 AM	BW	*inaudible*
10:19:54 AM	Todd	We have to have it, so here's a good example. In Alvordton, Cody did agreements so that we knew that they signed that they were going to sell us this land and then we could move forward with it. And that seemed to work for those funding entities and that is what we are looking at here. We need to at least have an agreement locked in. Because there's, you know if he's not willing to do this then we can't do it.
10:20:32 AM	Todd	So, and again, even that's a little tricky this land is tiled and this land is not.
10:20:40 AM	TR/Todd	You will ruin the tile in that section. Todd; and we will ruin it yes.
10:20:46 AM	SL	Well, will that tile run into this then?
10:20:50 AM	Todd	It goes into this tile that's already running through here

10:21:00 AM	John	If needed, if that is only option *inaudible*
10:21:03 AM	BW	How big is this tile here?
10:21:08 AM	Todd/Brian F	That is a Brian: that is a 24
10:21:14 AM	Todd	This system is working great. We have seen good results with that. It is just
10:21:21 AM	BW	Well and we all know that when this overflows now it is going into the sanitary and it is costing us money *inaudible*
10:21:30 AM	Todd	Yep. So, what we're proposing is a trail, future could connect here. This would come up to this point and create this educational piece. The wetland creation, the conservation, you know does it go under permanent maintenance, is there cost association with that? Does it become a park? So, maintenance of some of this could be through the parks? We would like that, that would be great. Everything has a cost though.
10:22:07 AM	TR	I like the idea of permanent maintenance on some of this too, because they are truly getting the benefit. I mean we talk it and we have had meetings where people were in agreeance that they *inaudible* for a reasonable number. They didn't put in their agreeance \$50,000 a piece they were in agreeance to something that was different, we had a pretty big meeting about that.
10:22:27 AM	Todd	So, so this we are assuming would be added to *inaudible*
10:22:36 AM	BF	There is already maintenance that exists with the tile and the open ditch that is on the other side of 127, so all of that is a part of permanent maintenance watershed, so once this part is completed we can put that area under maintenance and incorporate it into the existing watershed and existing charges. That way to continue maintenance into the future *inaudible*
10:23:07 AM	TR	And if you put it in the parks you lose some of that or parks would still benefit?
10:23:12 AM	Todd/John	Well I would probably do like an MOU that the parks is going to maintain parts of it you know, as a park open to the general public which is great, especially if you have this trail, but the permeant maintenance part of it would be John: Making sure the function
10:23:39 AM	Todd	Making sure the storm sewer part of it is working.
10:23:43 AM	BW	If you got the *inaudible* today time frame? Two years three years? One Year?
10:23:49 AM	John	I think two.
10:23:51 AM	BW	To have the funding in order.
10:23:54 AM	John	These two Ohio Money the funding is due the 31st fiscal year 27/28 so they kind of limit you *inaudible*
10:24:08 AM	Todd	We would like to so we apply for capital money to almost like the seed money. Maybe the capital money covers the 25% or whatever leverage money that's needed.

10:24:21 AM	BW	That is going to come with a time limit though, you are going to have a year to use that.
10:24:26 AM	John	They capital pay asks how much money *inaudible* if we put land acquisition and pay design work and put all of the rest of the money in year 2 they kind of ask that up front.
10:24:40 AM	Todd	So, then the H2Ohio money application is coming and then the third one will be the Clean Ohio funds for the land purchase which will be in October with the thought that money, that purchase would not come into effect until the following year. It would be about this time next year and at that point then we would be able to say okay. What ifs what ifs
10:25:13 AM	John	My question to all of them was like how do you guys talk and decide who pays for what you know if some big overseer of all these different funds nobody can answer me because there is not that person. So, basically came down to, you apply for it all and all three of them and that *inaudible* like H2Ohio they are only going to *inaudible* portion of that. But you've still gotta show the big picture *inaudible*. So that's a loaded question when we talk to H2Ohio, Soil and Water nobody really had the answer for that. Because they all deal with their own little portion they don't know how the big picture looks. They don't know how to work flow this. So that is kind of what we are weeding our way through trying to figure it out.
10:25:58 AM	Todd	Yeah, so, we want to keep it moving forward, but we just need to know that's everybody is in, everybody is in the game and we are going to get questions answered to keep it moving but we need to do it together.
10:26:16 AM	John	Both Soil and Water and H2Ohio both said that this is an excellent project try not to fail *inaudible* taking any ground out and putting wetland/Black Swamp pack in and the acreage as far as the nutrient reduction works for itself is like 300 acres *inaudible*
10:26:40 AM	BW	So, what do you need?
10:26:44 AM	Todd	Again, we think it is a good project its just
10:26:46 AM	BW	You need the blessing of the Township and County to move forward with it.
10:26:51 AM	Todd	Well, who is going to be, you know, I guess the question 1. Who is going to be the owner in the end? Is it going to be permanent maintenance; Is it going to be the county commissioners? So, we have to understand...
10:27:14 AM	TR	I would guess first off trustees really don't want to own it correct? You have no desire? One of the rules is I don't want to do is step on my trustees at all. I mean do you guys have any, do whatever. We need your buy-in most off to say please handle this for us
10:27:35 AM	Twtp Trustees	I don't think we want to own it. We are all aware there is a problem *inaudible*
10:27:45 AM	Two Trustee	When they put that drain in that tile, that helped a lot. I mean we still have a problem up there, it still doesn't catch all the water when it is coming that fast.

		Some day when it rains real hard if you guys want to see what I mean. BW: I have been back there. Tom Saul: That water comes out of that field it is as high as that table when it comes across that driveway.
10:28:02 AM	TR	So, Todd would a resolution from them supporting this, would that help you? Todd: It would help TR: Just so we had something documented that said hey we support a concept of this.
10:28:17 AM	Todd	Yeah, because when we start applying for funding, they are going to want to know we are all in. You know that we're going to have the resources to get this done . I can't give you what our financial responsibility is going to be We just don't know. We are going to have to get a little further into some of the funding agencies.
10:28:42 AM	John	To be honest with you some of the design we say we need 2.2 and then we come up and *inaudible*
10:28:53 AM	Todd	Yeah
10:28:55 AM	John	As far as letters of support from them would be great. As far as the*inaudible* applications go I got one from the City of Bryan that does *inaudible* and the sanitary. *inaudible* I got one from the Health Department that just meets their *inaudible* trails that need faced and conservation. So, all that kind of stuff *inaudible*
10:29:18 AM	Todd	It's hitting the marks it really is.
10:29:22 AM	TR	It is going to be 100% funded. Todd Roth has never walked in here not 100% funded. He's wishy worshy about it and you can say Todd we will guarantee you up to a half a million if you run short we will cover you and he just always covers it but you've still got to have the commitment from somebody that says
10:29:40 AM	Todd	I've got to be able to start I just can't cover.
10:29:44 AM	TR	Give us a number.
10:29:50 AM	Todd	300,0000
10:29:54 AM	SL	As a loan
10:29:56 AM	Todd	No
10:29:58 AM	TR	Yes. \$300,000 *inaudible* to maintain ownership of the property when it's funded we receive ownership to the property back to and we'll either get our money back out of an assessment or we will get our money back out of a somewhere. Personally, I don't see spending \$300,000. It's just such a group of people that we are trying to help right. I think we struggled with that with Hickory Hills and we gave \$300,000 and it was only for a certain and coming from Pioneer, Ohio I don't want my tax dollars spending \$300,000 and concentrating there. So, for me, loaning it and costing interest for the tax payers that is an easy sell. Something needs to happen and if you need a commitment for even a little bit more than that, as long as we have collateral. You know I am using the land as collateral, assuming it is going to go and once it goes then then it comes back because I am telling you this project is going to be funded. Todd? Don't you think?

10:30:53 AM	BW	*inaudible*
10:30:56 AM	TR	Don't you think. And to be honest if it doesn't get funded shred the papers. I mean at that point, because I don't know that we want to commit and maybe you guys do maybe you want to come in for \$300,000 and say no it is a gift and then we will spend it for the future of this. But, I struggle \$300 or even \$100 I struggle with.
10:31:18 AM	SL/Todd	How many houses are out there 50? Todd: No there is John: More than that;
10:31:25 AM	BW	Church buildings
10:31:29 AM	TR	Are they already being asses for that big tile? Did they get a big assessment on that tile? Not a big but a number.
10:31:35 AM	BF/TR	No *inaudible* TR: We got that all through *inaudible* back to 100% of that money.
10:31:45 AM	SL	It is on permanent maintenance thought right?
10:31:48 AM	BF/SL	It is on permanent maintenance. SL: How does that work? BF: That tile is under is under maintenance so it is part of the watershed, Pulaski Township Watershed so, not only that for the tile but also the open ditch portion on the other side of 127 and the railroad tracks. So, all that's part of one watershed so whenever there's charges then the watershed is charged for that.
10:32:08 AM	SL	So, everybody here is getting charged for that. Todd: it is a minimum; SL: \$10 a year
10:32:15 AM	Todd	If that
10:32:17 AM	TR	Most of the water *inaudible* but didn't we change that to kind of something special and we paid these folks harder than the farmer? BF: No; TR: we never did that but we talked about doing that but we never did.
10:32:25 AM	BF	It was talked about but this is assessed just like every other watershed
10:32:29 AM	TR	Because it's so little it doesn't cost the farmer, a ton of money and it doesn't cost these guys hardly anything because their watershed per home was like \$2 bucks. The minimum.
10:32:41 AM	SL	And the fund has probably reached its minimum *inaudible*
10:32:47 AM	BF	The maintenance charges are not high because this is such a short section of all the ditches maintained so there is a little bit of spraying and *inaudible* the tile is low maintenance that has to be done. Then in the future after all the tree roots.
10:33:08 AM	TR	if it's full of tree roots then that is the watershed, right.
10:33:19 AM	TR	Pulaski Township HOA.
10:33:23 AM	Todd	So, the project cost was done through critical infrastructure so we didn't have to assess that project to anybody. So not it is truly just a maintenance cost and most of its tile, is the easiest. That's the only way that project happened. Because

10:33:49 AM	SL	Did anybody petition this?
10:33:54 AM	Todd	Well, that's one of the things we've talked about should it be a petition to start it all
10:34:07 AM	SL	But it's hard to do because you don't have a cost, well you have a cost I guess, does that allow you to still allow you to go after that funding when a petition is started?
10:34:27 AM	BF	*inaudible*
10:34:30 AM	SL/Todd	For the Tile, right? Todd: Yes
10:34:35 AM	TR	Probably Pulaski Township if anyone petitioned it
10:34:38 AM	BF	No, it has been petitioned Timmerman
10:34:47 AM	TR	Oh, Way back from way back
10:34:49 AM	BF/SL	But it was always in limbo because of the residents of Bona Vesta and the agricultural ground and who should be paying the larger portion. Is it agricultural ground bringing in the runoff or should it be the people at the subdivision who are who would see the most benefit from reduced flooding? SL: Or at least got in the way of it. BF: Well that goes back into the 60's and that has always been the argument and so that had stalled that project the Timmerman for years until the critical infrastructure became available and then using that funding we got that project completed without having to assess the landowners.
10:35:33 AM	Todd	That's the only way it happened. I mean we found a note from Walt Schilling back in I forgot when, but he had handwritten notes that said until we find the funding this will never happen. And he was 100% correct.
10:35:47 AM	John	That was like in the 80s.
10:35:49 AM	Todd	Yeah. So that's, that's how it changes and we just pursue the funding instead of and that is where we are at today is we have to pursue the funding or else it will never happen
10:36:02 AM	SL	Can you assess those homes without a petition?
10:36:10 AM	Todd	No, I think we have to *inaudible*
10:36:17 AM	BF	No, I don't know how you could, not through the watershed as it is now, not through the *inaudible* Pulaski Township you cannot assess them for doing any of this work because that is not public SL: That is not part of that tile, no I am talking about a separate ditch, I don't know what you would call it because it is not a *inaudible* project
10:36:38 AM	BF	Well, it can be a petition because it is reducing the effects of flooding. So, there are benefits to doing that project. What we've talked about is that after it is constructed to put it under permanent maintenance that will have to be now whether there is a, a petition before the construction is started, again I don't know how you would do this project through assessments without having the funds. That is a lot of money to put out into assessments.

10:37:17 AM	SL	Well, how is everybody damaged are there actual houses going under water?
10:37:25 AM	BF	In the past there *inaudible*
10:37:27 AM	SL	I imagine if you have a basement you have a problem
10:37:32 AM	BW/SL	They are on slabs. SL: *inaudible*
10:37:37 AM	BF/Todd	In the past there has been crawlspaces that have been damaged. Todd: even water in their vents.
10:37:40 AM	BF	They're on slabs
10:37:45 AM	SL	There has been obviously damage.
10:37:50 AM	John	There's that street
10:37:56 AM	Todd	It still gets some
10:38:00 AM	TR	Well no doubt, we knew it was phase one phase two phase three.
10:38:05 AM	SL	I don't doubt what needs done at all, I am just trying to figure out. Todd: How are we going to pay for it. SL: What's the, how are we going to pay for it? And if we throw \$300,000 at this, it is not fair for me who I did not build in a swamp, I build over a top of the hill. That's what we're going to have why are we throwing their tax dollars at this group of people. And if we could put that on a petition will that still allow you to do what you need to do?
10:38:36 AM	Todd	I think the petition would be the driver and then we would pursue the funding just like we did the other one. And, because I guarantee you if we go if we say we are going to have a \$300,000 assessment attached to this construction here is, Brian would go through the process of here's what everybody pays us within the watershed. We would have the same problem we had before.
10:39:08 AM	TR	Nobody would want to pay for it.
10:39:14 AM	Todd	Correct. And so, *inaudible* (lagging) through the funding and if we don't get it covered we just don't do it.
10:39:24 AM	TR	You're gonna get it. You always get the funding. Quote.
10:39:32 AM	BW	Again, so you just need to know whether we're willing to.
10:39:37 AM	Todd/SL	But I can't even apply for the funding if I don't have the commitment from everybody. SL: And you're on a deadline at this point? Todd: Well, it's just everything, because we're trying to pursue a couple of different fundings. You know, there's a couple different deadlines that we have to maneuver through.
10:39:54 AM	John	I wish the first one we applied for would have already comes back to us and said hey we'll pay for this and this. That way we can *inaudible*. You know, get everything tighter and tighter with what we need *inaudible*.
10:40:09 AM	Todd	But I do feel like the last one was this very important piece. And we really need to be ready for the last one. And it's going to take some work on our part in terms of, and here's a good example. To apply for the funding to buy the land to do this

		wetland creation, the conservation side of it, you have to have an appraisal. And it's gotta be an appraisal from a certified (*inaudible*- someone talking). I'm not sure, yeah. And so, you know it's going to cost some money so who's going to pay for it? Because that appraisal needs to be done to even apply for the funding. So, we don't know that that's going to get reimbursed. So, we are going to go back to who's going to pay for it.
10:41:01 AM	SL	The appraisal covers what?
10:41:05 AM	Todd	To appraise the land if we're going to apply to get the money to buy.
10:41:09 AM	Joh	So, it basically goes down to ODOT setting down the right-of-way *inaudible* They want to make sure.
10:41:18 AM	SL	We want to make sure we're only paying double.
10:41:26 AM	Todd	So, you know, if we need to hire consultants to do some of the environmental design on it prior to having anything secured, you know, who's going to pay for it? So, those are the questions we are going to be asking moving forward to make application to get the funding to do the project. It's a commitment. You know, we will work with Dennis at Maumee Valley. We want to partner with Soil & Water more. We met with them. You know, and they can help on some of the, some of the design for the H2Ohio application and things like that. So, definitely some partnership that needs to take place with the Township and the County and Soil & Water and Maumee Valley.
10:42:33 AM	SL	I would feel more comfortable if there was a petition in place and all these people understand that it might cost \$300,000 and it might cost nothing. But if we knew exactly what the price was like that and how much it's gonna cost and you get what, ten years to pay that off? You don't have to pay it off in one year. (several talking).
10:42:53 AM	BW	We don't *inaudible*— several talking
10:42:57 AM	SL	Well that's *inaudible*. It's been a problem for, since they built these houses there. Inaudible - several taking).
10:43:07 AM	BF	It would depend on however quickly we can go through the process. But I would say at least three months.
10:43:12 AM	SL	I mean, the commissioners can file a petition.
10:43:16 AM	Todd	I would have the township file the petition.
10:43:24 AM	SL	I mean, just throwing that out there. If you want, if you want to be sure you get your money back and let people know, I would.
10:43:32 AM	TR	Well, you gotta let people know for sure. Because there is a whole group people out there that don't know. But, we're not gonna need the petition. We're not gonna, we'll need the petition to maintain it to protect it for future generations. But we're not gonna need the petition because the funding will come in. So, going through the whole process and telling the people, and I don't know that I would even stick the people, because like Todd said, if the funding don't come it's gonna

		die. Because there's gonna be a farmer that's gonna be all, because it's horrible for the farmer to try to pay for it. The homeowners are gonna end up paying so small amount that it's not going to benefit the project. And it will die on the vine. What do you *inaudible* 100 years?
10:44:10 AM	BW	What do you think you'll need in funding to get to the point we will have a number to say this is what it's going to cost us?
10:44:18 AM	John	That's a good question.
10:44:21 AM	SL	You're talking about the certified appraisal and?
10:44:25 AM	BW	In doing that and then you've got the application fees, you're not gonna, you're not gonna need any engineering at this point correct? Or a design?
10:44:33 AM	John	Uh, no. I guess not. It's a lot I don't know. But it's kinda out of our realm, not really comfortable with the workflow. It's a good question. I just don't know the answer.
10:44:52 AM	Todd	Yeah. I mean we can, we can design up to a point.
10:44:58 AM	BW	You could get a quote on an appraisal. I am sure it would be four or five grand for the appraisal.
10:45:01 AM	John	And that's if we get answers back on this funding, a yes or no, or talk with them. This is what we're gonna give you and this is what you *inaudible*. We will have more of an idea and then we can come back to you with that.
10:45:16 AM	AR/BW	Can you put together a potential plan and send it over? BW: And then you *inaudible* AR: Just *inaudible*
10:45:24 AM	Todd	I mean we can.
10:45:30 AM	BW	What I'm after is, if we could say we are willing to support you up to x amount of dollars just to get you started. Could you come up with that number and then we can take that for the second phase and move it forward. Do that makes sense?
10:45:46 AM	Todd	Yeah, I mean we can, we can put together a cost that we know what it will take to make the applications to pursue it. And then I don't know if they are going to be refunded or not. Yeah, it's gonna be a small portion, but.
10:46:13 AM	BW	So, what I'm getting at rather than us making a commitment of \$300,000 today, if we are willing to fund you for the application *inaudible*
10:46:21 AM	Todd	Did I say 3? I meant 4.
10:46:32 AM	TR	It's all a loan. Would the township have anything you guys are willing or want to put at this? Can we partner with you at all for the up-front cost of five grand? Ten grand? Could we split the up-front costs with you guys that says you know, we'll throw ten you throw ten. Would you throw five, we'll throw five. At least to get it started and get ball rolling. Have you got something that you want to put towards this? And it's back to that commitment, if it's a little bit on a piece of paper, but it's also a financial commitment that says you know, we're working together.

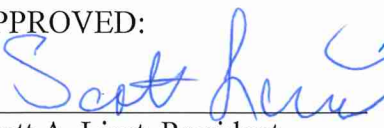
10:47:01 AM	BW	We know you can't make that decision *inaudible*
10:47:05 AM	Township Trustee/TR	We will have to bring that up at the next meeting. We're willing to discuss that. TR: When's the next meeting? Trustee: Two weeks. We just had a meeting Tuesday.
10:47:22 AM	SL	Do you know that ditch, on that one project that they did? That was a petition. They got a lot of money through the state for that, right? So you did start a petition and then you got grant funding to pay for a lot of stuff.
10:47:38 AM	Todd	A lot of it. And you know, it did get assessed but a lot of it was paid for with some state funding. And it was pursued through a lot of different agencies.
10:47:52 AM	SL	Soil & Water
10:47:55 AM	Todd	You know, to see what would land.
10:47:59 AM	BW	*inaudible* agencies will fund different parts of it. You just have to go through that *inaudible*
10:48:04 AM	TR	Do you need a professional appraisal report to get, to apply for what?
10:48:06 AM	Todd	So, the Clean Ohio Fund application requires.
10:48:11 AM	TR/Todd	And when is that due? Todd: It will be due probably by October. TR: So, we've got some time on this. Todd: There's a little bit of time, but it's gonna go fast. So, once we miss that year then we're back to another year and starting over.
10:48:23 AM	TR	Well I see it that the county is probably going to set up two funds, or one fund that will be a fund that you guys can pay for stuff out of. And some of it's gonna be a gift. And whether it's a partnership between us and them, whatever we can do. But I think we're gonna have to fund you for some of those non-reimbursable expenses. Because you're going to have something that's non-reimbursable out of this. We always do. So, if we can set up one fund that you can work out of that says, and then we can pursue, you know, the other money that is all going to flow through this one fund anyways. If we offer something that the township throws in some and we throw in some to get you guys started on going. Thank you for doing it. And then if we have to loan money into that fund in order to get the money back then at least we have a tracking in place *inaudible*
10:49:06 AM	Todd	You know, another, I am trying to think of some of those preliminary costs, but another cost might be having an attorney to negotiate that agreement. You know, whether that's Katie or whether that's an attorney that we have to hire to get that done. Because we've gotta have that deal signed soon.
10:49:32 AM	BW	I would like to see us take this under advisement and the township too if they want to meet in a couple weeks *inaudible* put together. We probably ought to pursue that and getting that option.
10:49:45 AM	Todd	So, we, we had a preliminary agreement and we have to revise it and send it back and try to get that comfortable point where we're both comfortable. Because what we're looking at is a trade. And, a straight up trade.

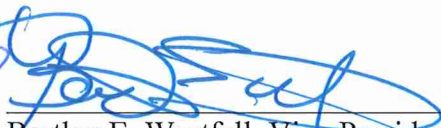
10:50:09 AM	BW	But (inaudible) issues have to deal with *inaudible*
10:50:14 AM	AR	When is your township meeting? Trustees: The 14 th . TR: What time? AR: We can always set something on the 16 th to meet back up. I can set an appointment then?
10:50:26 AM	BW	And let us know what you come up with after your meeting two days after that. And then you have the support of both entities, Todd.
10:50:36 AM	TR	It's getting thrown out in about ten minutes.
10:50:41 AM	AR	I will set a meeting for April (others talking).
10:50:47 AM	Todd	We think it's a great project in many ways. (several talking)
10:50:56 AM	SL	It's how is it going to get paid for? (Several talking).
10:50:59 AM	TR	But they have to apply by March something. And you're going to apply in March. After this meeting you feel comfortable.
10:51:05 AM	John	*inaudible* March 31 st .
10:51:09 AM	TR	Do you feel okay to apply for that? Do you think we're close enough?
10:51:12 AM	Todd	Sure.
10:51:16 AM	BW	I feel you have the support of the room but we just have to figure out how we're going to do it. For both entities here. And the residents.
10:51:24 AM	Tod	I think the target is October.
10:51:30 AM	TR/SL	Well I think we've definitely gotta talk about if we're going to apply, or if we're going to go for maintenance. You know, if you want to move forward with the permanent maintenance. SL: I don't know how else we would assess everybody.
10:51:40 AM	Todd	And that may take some more discussion with Brian and you guys and (several talking).
10:51:45 AM	TR	We're just gonna have to *inaudible*. We're gonna get the money.
10:51:50 AM	BW	Have we *inaudible* property owner *inaudible* assessment? Todd: It would make a big difference. BW: That's the bad part about the assessment. If you are trying to negotiate with him and he's going to get an assessment for the drainage and he's a big property owner and has 200 acres built into it, why does he want to do that?
10:52:09 AM	TR/Trustee	Well, it works the other way. Then we're gonna do it anyway. And then we're gonna put it all on an assessment. Because you could do another way *inaudible* all on an assessment. I don't think it will happen, but *inaudible* right? Trustee: About the time you do that farmer's gonna say we're done. (several talking).
10:52:29 AM	BW	You lost your negotiation power. Or at least it *inaudible* a whole lot.
10:52:34 AM	TR/BF	And once the project's done and paid for, then you go out and put it on permanent maintenance and you bring the people together at that point and then it's just a

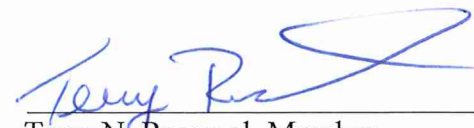
		maintenance thing. And yes, they're all gonna get dinged a reasonable amount in order to put it on maintenance. BF: They are the benefitters of it.
10:52:48 AM	BW	Absolutely. Correct. *Inaudible* benefit.
10:52:53 AM	SL	For the farmer it won't be a benefit at all.
10:52:58 AM	Todd	And I'll say it. He has a problem. TR: Right, he would have a problem.
10:53:07 AM	SL	Why would he have a , I don't know if Ohio Revised Code works that way because it's a watershed, right?
10:53:12 AM	TR/Trustee/SL	But we did say that during a special assessment for that (inaudible) nine, eight years ago. These folks at the houses are getting all the benefit and pay a bigger percentage than the farmers. And the farmers should pay some maintenance sure. But the folks that built, bought a house (inaudible) they bought a house that was built in a swamp. I mean we all know it. Trustee: They should never have been allowed to build there. TR: They should never have been allowed to build there. SL: But it's not fair to the farmer to have to pay anything. TR: It's not fair to the farmer to have to pay it, but.
10:53:44 AM	Todd	That's been the discussion for thirty years.
10:53:47 AM	TR	Correct. But we need to have it worked out where these folks get assessed more per acre than these folks. And we thought it was legal to do that under a special assessment. Commissioners have power enough. And you don't want to do that. We can set their rate, the farmers' rate.
10:54:03 AM	BF	At the time of the petition we can set the assessments up (inaudible).
10:54:06 AM	BW/TR	They should be assessed by property not necessarily by land size. TR: Home value or something. BW: That's the way they work the assessments when they put a sewer in (several talking). BW: Correct.
10:54:22 AM	SL	So, that field is one parcel, that house is one parcel. TR: They do \$7 per parcel or something.
10:54:29 AM	BW	Thanks, Todd
10:54:33 AM	ADJOURNED	SL: We're Adjourned.

WILLIAMS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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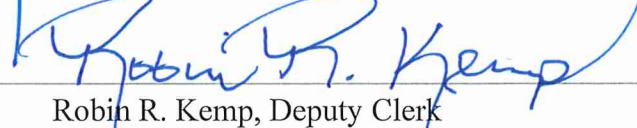

Scott A. Lirot, President


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Terry N. Rummel, Member

ATTEST:


Anne M. Retcher, Clerk


Robin R. Kemp, Deputy Clerk

RESOLUTION 26-0162

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE
WILLIAMS COUNTY, BRYAN, OHIO
March 26, 2026

In the Matter of:
Approving Minutes from Regular Session

The Board of Williams County Commissioners met in regular session on the above date with the following members present:

Scott A. Lirot, Yes Bartley E. Westfall, Yes Terry N. Rummel, Yes

Commissioner Westfall moved adoption of the following resolution:

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that after review, the Williams County Commissioners hereby approve the minutes of Regular Session(s) held on March 24, 2026; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that it is further found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were so adopted in an open meeting of this Board and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Commissioner Rummel seconded the motion.

The vote upon adoption resulted as follows:

Mr. Scott A. Lirot, yes

Mr. Bartley E. Westfall, yes

Mr. Terry N. Rummel, yes

WILLIAMS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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Member of the Board of Commissioners

RESOLUTION 26-0163

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE
WILLIAMS COUNTY, BRYAN, OHIO
March 26, 2026

In the Matter of:
Approve Agenda as Amended or Presented

The Board of Williams County Commissioners met in regular session on the above date with the following members present:

Scott A. Lirot, Yes Bartley E. Westfall, Yes Terry N. Rummel, Yes

Commissioner Westfall moved adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Commission Staff, to the best of its ability, has prepared the agenda for the day, and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has reviewed said agenda and find it to be satisfactory as presented or as officially amended on the record in open session; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Williams County Commissioners hereby approves the agenda as amended or presented for today's date; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that it is further found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were so adopted in an open meeting of this Board and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Commissioner Rummel seconded the motion.

The vote upon adoption resulted as follows:

Mr. Scott A. Lirot, Yes

Mr. Bartley E. Westfall, Yes

Mr. Terry N. Rummel, Yes

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RESOLUTION 26-0164

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE
WILLIAMS COUNTY, BRYAN, OHIO
March 26, 2026

In the Matter of:
Approving Payment of Bills

The Board of Williams County Commissioners met in regular session on the above date with the following members present:

Scott A. Lirot, Yes Bartley E. Westfall, Yes Terry N. Rummel, Yes

Commissioner Westfall moved adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Williams County Auditor certifies that the money for the credit of the bills listed on the Disbursement List is in the Treasury for the credit of the Funds from which they are to be paid, and is not appropriated for any other purpose; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Williams County Commissioners hereby approve the payment of bills as submitted; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that it is further found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were so adopted in an open meeting of this Board and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Commissioner Rummel seconded the motion.

The vote upon adoption resulted as follows:

Mr. Scott A. Lirot, yes

Mr. Bartley E. Westfall, yes

Mr. Terry N. Rummel, yes

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RESOLUTION 26-0165

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE
WILLIAMS COUNTY, BRYAN, OHIO
March 26, 2026

In the Matter of
Supplemental Appropriation(s)

The Board of Williams County Commissioners met in regular session on the above date with the following members present:

Scott A. Lirot, yes Bartley E. Westfall, yes Terry N. Rummel, yes

Commissioner Westfall moved adoption of the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Williams County Commissioners that we hereby approve Vickie L. Grimm, Williams County Auditor to create new lines and make supplemental appropriation(s) from and to the following funds:

Department: Williams County Board of Elections

From: 9037	Unappropriated	\$2,000.00
To: 9037-90-130-509000	BOE Commission Filing Fees	\$2,000.00

Reason: Payment for filing fees 2026

Department: Williams County Commissioners

New: 2060-47-161-506402	Comm 25NR-1DA-25CDBG Stryker Water Tower
New: 2060-47-161-503401	Comm 25NR-1DA-25CDBG General Administration
New: 2060-47-161-506403	Comm 25NR-1DA-25CDBG Fair Housing
New: 2060-47-161-506404	Comm 25CI-1DA-24CDBG-22 Montpelier Waterline Imp - Contractor
New: 2060-47-161-503402	Comm 25CI-1DA-24CDBG-22 General Administration
New: 2060-47-161-506405	Comm 25CI-1DA-25CDBG-19 Bryan Sewer Imp - Contractor
New: 2060-47-161-503403	Comm 25CI-1DA-25CDBG-19 General Administration

Reason: New Expense lines

Department: Williams County Engineer

From: 2069	Unappropriated	\$36.47
To: 2069-43-246-502700	Travel-Lodging-Meals	\$36.47

Reason: 2026 CEAO Stormwater Conference

Department: Williams County Sheriff

From: 1001	Unappropriated	\$7,693.00
To: 1001-42-400-505070	Capital Assets-Equipment	\$7,693.00
<i>Reason: AT&T 2025 – 3rd Payment is due</i>		

From: 2046-42-400-505070	Capital Assets-Equipment	\$2,370.00
To: 2046-42-400-506000	Contract Services	\$2,370.00
<i>Reason: CCW Equipment Technical Support</i>		

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that it is further found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were so adopted in an open meeting of this Board and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Commissioner Rummel seconded the motion.

The vote upon adoption resulted as follows:

Mr. Scott A. Lirot, yes

Mr. Bartley E. Westfall, yes

Mr. Terry N. Rummel, yes

WILLIAMS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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RESOLUTION 26-0166

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE
WILLIAMS COUNTY, BRYAN, OHIO
March 26, 2026

In the Matter of
Entering into a Memorandum of
Understanding

The Board of Williams County Commissioners met in regular session on the above date with the following members present:

Scott A. Lirot, Yes Bartley E. Westfall, Yes Terry N. Rummel, Yes

Commissioner Westfall moved adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, a Memorandum of Understanding has been successfully negotiated between the Williams County Commissioners (on behalf of Williams County EMS) and the Williams County Engineer utilizing light duty transitional work of injured EMS Staff as further explained in the attached; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Williams County Commissioners we do hereby enter into the MOU as set forth above and attached hereto; therefore

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that it is further found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were so adopted in an open meeting of this Board and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Commissioner Rummel seconded the motion.

The vote upon adoption resulted as follows:

Mr. Scott A. Lirot, yes

Mr. Bartley E. Westfall, yes

Mr. Terry N. Rummel, yes

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**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
THE WILLIAMS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (EMS) &
THE WILLIAMS COUNTY ENGINEER**

Upon this 26th day of March, this Memorandum of Understanding was entered into by and between the Williams County Commissioners, hereinafter called Commissioners and the Williams County Engineer, hereinafter called Engineer.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Commissioners and Engineer have the common objective of cooperatively bringing about the update of the County GIS system. They, therefore, agree with this Memorandum of Understanding as the foundation for an enduring, cooperative, working agreement temporarily utilizing light duty transitional work of injured EMS staff.

The Commissioners (EMS) will:

- Provide access to light duty transitional work of injured EMS staff and continue to cover the overhead and benefit costs.

The Engineer will:

- Utilize the light duty transitional work of injured EMS staff and cover the basic labor cost for hours worked and billed by EMS to the Engineers office.

LIMITATIONS:

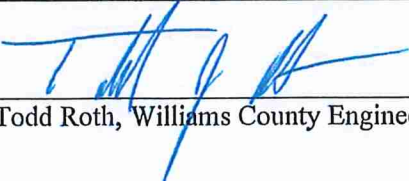
- Nothing in this document obligates any participating agency to expend funds in excess of appropriations authorized by law and administratively allocated.

REVIEW, MODIFICATION, EFFECTIVE DATE, TERMINATION:

- This memorandum may be amended or terminated at any time by mutual consent of the parties or may be terminated by any party by giving sixty (30) days' notice in writing to the others. This agreement will be reviewed annually to determine if it needs modification. It becomes effective immediately on the date the last signature is affixed.

In witness whereof, the memorandum executed and agreed to on the day, month and year written above:

WILLIAMS COUNTY ENGINEER:

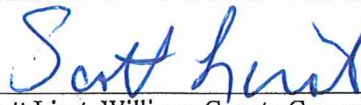


Todd Roth, Williams County Engineer

2-13-26

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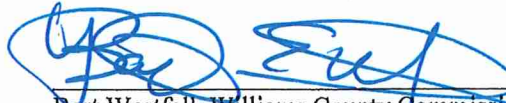
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Scott Lirot, Williams County Commissioner

3-26-26

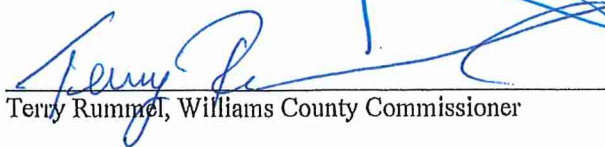
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Bart Westfall, Williams County Commissioner

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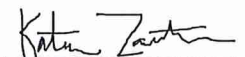
Terry Rummel, Williams County Commissioner

3-26-26

DATE

WILLIAMS COUNTY PROSECUTOR

This Agreement is approved as to form, with deletion of any indemnity clauses and attorney fee provisions in accordance with Ohio Attorney General Opinions 99-049 and 2005-007.



Katherine J. Zartman, Williams County Prosecutor

3/24/26

Date

RESOLUTION 26-0167

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE
WILLIAMS COUNTY, BRYAN, OHIO
March 26, 2026

In the Matter of
Updating the Authorization of the County Administrator to
Perform Administrative Functions

The Board of Williams County Commissioners met in regular session on the above date with the following members present:

Scott A. Lirot, Yes Bartley E. Westfall, Yes Terry N. Rummel, Yes

Commissioner Westfall moved adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, on August 13, 2024, Resolution 24-0283 was passed authorizing the County Administrator to perform various administrative functions, which currently has some outdated information; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 305.30, this Board of County Commissioners is authorized to confer upon the County Administrator the authority to carry out functions of the Board of County Commissioners provided that the Board, by Resolution, has delegated the specific functions to the County Administrator; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners desires to grant the authority to the County Administrator to perform functions conferred or incumbent upon the Board; and

WHEREAS, a disaster means any imminent threat or actual occurrence of widespread or severe damage to or loss of property, personal hardship or injury, or loss of life that results from any natural phenomenon or act of man; and

WHEREAS, an emergency means any period during which the United States Congress or chief executive (as defined in ORC 5502.21(C)) has declared or proclaimed an emergency exists.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, WILLIAMS COUNTY, OHIO

That the County Administrator is hereby authorized to Perform any or all personnel functions otherwise conferred or incumbent upon the board of county commissioners under chapter 124, or any other chapter or section of the revised code. The board of commissioners hereby delegates to

the county administrator the ability to discipline, sign personnel actions, assign duties, remove duties for all employees under the direction of the Board of County Commissioners. The County Administrator is authorized to approve payments for **purchases up to the current rate per ORC 9.17**. Additionally, the County Administrator is hereby authorized to carry out the functions conferred or incumbent upon the Board of County Commissioners in a disaster or emergency situation as those outlined below, except to the extent that this delegation is prohibited by law:

- To authorize the utilization of all resources and personnel of the Board of County Commissioners to respond to the disaster or emergency. The County Administrator shall coordinate the response of resources and personnel of the Board of County Commissioners with the resources and personnel from other elected County officials, other boards and commissions of the County, and the response from other local, state, and federal agencies.
- To exempt purchases from the competitive bidding process provided one of the following applies:
- To make requests for aid under existing mutual aid agreements with neighboring jurisdictions.
- That the County Administrator shall, at the next meeting of the Board of County Commissioners, report to the Board of County Commissioners:
 - The reasons necessary for declaring a disaster or that real or present emergency exists,
 - All contracts let without competitive bidding and the reasons for letting the contracts, and
 - All mutual aid rendered to or given by the employees of the Board.
- That the authority of the County Administrator to act under this Resolution for any particular disaster or emergency shall end at the next meeting of the Board of County Commissioners when the County Administrator's report is entered into the Board of County Commissioners' Minutes, unless the Board of County Commissioners adopts a Resolution authorizing the continued exercise of emergency authority under ORC 305.30 for the particular emergency.
- That after the declaration of an emergency, the County Administrator be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to take those actions as necessary and appropriate, including the delegation of administrative and ministerial functions among responsible staff to assure proper implementation in exercising this authority.

That the County Administrator is hereby authorized to Perform any or all functions otherwise conferred or incumbent upon the board of county commissioners after the Board awards a contract on behalf of Williams County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it is found and determined that all formal actions of the Board of County Commissioners on this issue is superseded by this action.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that it is further found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were so adopted in an open meeting of this Board and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Commissioner Rummel seconded the motion.

The vote upon adoption resulted as follows:

Mr. Scott A. Lirot, yes

Mr. Bartley E. Westfall, yes

Mr. Terry N. Rummel, yes

WILLIAMS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Scott Lirot
President of the Board of Commissioners

Bartley Westfall
Vice-Pres of the Board of Commissioners

Terry Rummel
Member of the Board of Commissioners

RESOLUTION 26-0168

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE
WILLIAMS COUNTY, BRYAN, OHIO
March 26, 2026

In the Matter of
Entering Into an Equipment Lease Agreement

The Board of Williams County Commissioners met in regular session on the above date with the following members present:

Scott A. Lirot, Yes Bartley E. Westfall, Yes Terry N. Rummel, Yes

Commissioner Westfall moved adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2026 a Lease Agreement was submitted to the Board of Commissioners between Williams County Hillside Country Living and Tilt Amusements for an Equipment Lease of a James Bond Pinball Machine at a monthly rental rate of \$200.00 for 24 months and a \$200.00 delivery fee; and

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Williams County Commissioners we do hereby approve the Equipment Lease Agreement as set forth above and attached hereto; therefore

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that it is further found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were so adopted in an open meeting of this Board and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Commissioner Rummel seconded the motion.

The vote upon adoption resulted as follows:

Mr. Scott A. Lirot, Yes

Mr. Bartley E. Westfall, Yes

Mr. Terry N. Rummel, Yes

WILLIAMS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Scott Lirot
President of the Board of Commissioners

Bartley Westfall
Vice-Pres of the Board of Commissioners

Terry Rummel
Member of the Board of Commissioners

EQUIPMENT LEASE

THIS EQUIPMENT LEASE (Lease) is made and effective this 1st day of April 2026, by and between Tilt Amusements (Lessor), and Williams County Ohio (Lessee).

WHEREAS Lessor desires to lease to Lessee, and Lessee desires to lease from Lessor, certain tangible personal property.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and promises hereinafter set forth, the parties hereto agree as follows:

Lease. Lessor hereby leases to Lessee, and Lessee hereby leases from Lessor, the following described equipment (Equipment): (title) – **James Bond**

Term. The term of this Lease shall commence on the 1st day of April, 2026 and shall expire twenty-four (24) months thereafter.

Rent and Deposit. The monthly rent for the Equipment shall be paid in advance in installments of Two Hundred and 00/100 (\$200.00) each month, to begin on the 1st day of April 2026 and on the same day of each succeeding month throughout the term hereof. Payment shall be sent to Lessor at 3048 Russell Rd, Ostrander, Ohio 43061, or at such other place as Lessor may designate from time to time. Lessor may levy a late payment charge equal to one percent (1%) per month on any amount that is ten days overdue.

Lessee shall pay a deposit in the amount of Zero Dollars (\$0.00) prior to taking possession of the Equipment. The deposit will be refunded to Lessee promptly following Lessee's performance of all obligations in this Lease.

Use. Lessee shall use the Equipment in a safe and appropriate manner and shall comply with and conform to all national, state, municipal, and other laws, ordinances and regulations in any way relating to the possession, use or maintenance of the Equipment.

LESSOR DISCLAIMS ANY AND ALL WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE.

Repairs. Lessee, at its own cost and expense, shall keep the Equipment in good repair, condition and working order and shall furnish any and all parts, mechanisms and devices required to keep the Equipment in good mechanical working order.

Loss and Damage. Lessee hereby assumes and shall bear the entire risk of loss and damage to the Equipment from any and every cause whatsoever. No loss or damage to the Equipment or any part thereof shall impair any obligation of Lessee under this Lease.

In the event of loss or damage of any kind whatever to the Equipment, Lessee shall, at Lessor's option:

Place the same in good repair, condition and working order; or

Replace the same with like equipment in good repair, condition and working order; or

Pay to Lessor the replacement cost of the Equipment.

Surrender. Upon the expiration or earlier termination of this Lease, Lessee shall return the Equipment to Lessor in good repair, condition and working order, ordinary wear and tear resulting from proper use thereof excepted, by delivering the Equipment at Lessee's cost and expense to such place as Lessor shall specify within the city or county in which the same was delivered to Lessee. Buyout at end of lease is **\$3,100.00 on James Bond pinball machine.**

Insurance. Lessee shall procure and continuously maintain and pay for all risk insurance against loss of and damage to the Equipment for not less than the full replacement value of the Equipment, naming Lessor as loss payee, and liability and property damage insurance with limits as approved by Lessor, naming Lessor as additionally named insured and a loss payee. The insurance shall be in such form and with such company or companies as shall be reasonably acceptable to Lessor. Lessee shall provide Lessor with an original policy or certificate evidencing such insurance.

Taxes. Lessee shall keep the Equipment free and clear of all levies, liens and encumbrances. Lessee, or Lessor at Lessee's expense, shall report, pay and discharge when due all license and registration fees, assessments, sales, use and property taxes, gross receipts, taxes arising out of receipts from use or operation of the Equipment, together with any penalties or interest thereon, imposed by any state, federal or local government or any agency, or department thereof, whether or not the same shall be assessed against or in the name of Lessor or Lessee.

Default. If Lessee fails to pay any rent or other amount herein provided within ten (10) days after the same is due and payable, or if Lessee fails to observe, keep or perform any other provision of this Lease required to be observed, kept or performed by Lessee, Lessor shall have the right to exercise any one or more of the following remedies:

To declare the entire amount of rent hereunder immediately due and payable without notice or demand to Lessee.

To sue for and recover all rents, and other payments, then accrued or thereafter accruing.

To take possession of the Equipment, without demand or notice, wherever same may be located, without any court order or other process of law. Lessee hereby waives any and all damages occasioned by such taking of possession.

To terminate this Lease.

To pursue any other remedy at law or in equity.

Notwithstanding any repossession or any other action which Lessor may take, Lessee shall be and remain liable for the full performance of all obligations on the part of the Lessee to be performed under this Lease. All of Lessor's remedies are cumulative, and may be exercised concurrently or separately.

Bankruptcy. Neither this Lease nor any interest therein is assignable or transferable by operation of law. If any proceeding under the Bankruptcy Act, as amended, is commenced by or against the Lessee, or if the Lessee is adjudged insolvent, or if Lessee makes any assignment for the benefit of his creditors, or if a writ of attachment or execution is levied on the Equipment and is not released or satisfied within ten (10) days thereafter, or if a receiver is appointed in any proceeding or action to which the Lessee is a party with authority to take possession or control of the Equipment, Lessor shall have and may exercise the option to, without notice, immediately terminate the Lease. The Lease shall not be treated as an asset of Lessee after the exercise of said option.

Ownership. The Equipment is, and shall at all times be and remain, the sole and exclusive property of Lessor; and the Lessee shall have no right, title or interest therein or thereto except as expressly set forth in this Lease.

Additional Documents. If Lessor shall so request, Lessee shall execute and deliver to Lessor such documents as Lessor shall deem necessary or desirable for purposes of recording or filing to protect the interest of Lessor in the Equipment including, but not limited to a UCC financing statement.

Entire Agreement. This instrument constitutes the entire agreement between the parties on the subject matter hereof and it shall not be amended, altered or changed except by a further writing signed by the parties hereto.

Notices. Service of all notices under this Agreement shall be sufficient if given personally or by certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, at the address hereinafter set forth, or to such address as such party may provide in writing from time to time.

If to Lessor: Trent Augenstein
3048 Russell Rd
Ostrander, Ohio 4306

If to Lessee: Williams County Ohio
09876 County Road 16
Bryan, OH 43506

Assignment. Lessee shall not assign this Lease or its interest in the Equipment without the prior written consent of Lessor.

Governing Law. This Lease shall be construed and enforced according to laws of the State of OHIO.

Headings. Headings used in this Lease are provided for convenience only and shall not be used to construe meaning or intent.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Lease as of the day and year first above written.

See Attached
Lessor _____ Date _____

WILLIAMS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

Scott L. Lunt
President

[Signature]
Vice President

[Signature]
Member

Date: 3-26-26

WILLIAMS COUNTY PROSECUTOR

This agreement is approved as to form, with deletion of any indemnity clauses and attorney fee provisions in accordance with Ohio Attorney General Opinions 99-049 and 2005-007.

[Signature] for KJZ
Katherine J. Zartman, Williams County Prosecutor

Date: 3-16-2026

FISCAL OFFICER'S CERTIFICATE

5705.41 O.R.C.

The undersigned, County Auditor of Williams County, hereby certifies that the amount required to meet this contract has been lawfully appropriated for such purpose, and is in the treasury or in the process of collection to the credit of an appropriate fund, free from any previous encumbrances.

Vickie H. Grimm
Vickie Grimm, Williams County Auditor

03/19/2026
Date

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 3-24-26
Lessor Date

WILLIAMS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

President

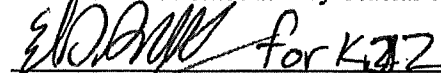
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