Minutes
Cuyahoga County Board of Control
Monday, October 26, 2026 - 11:00 A.M.
County Headquarters
2079 East Ninth Street
Committee Room B

I – CALL TO ORDER
The meeting was called to order at 11:03 a.m.
Attending:
Katherine A. Gallagher, Chief of Operations & Community Innovation County Executive Administration (Alternate for Chris Ronayne, County Executive)
Michael Chambers, Fiscal Officer, serving as Chairman
Nichole English, Administrator, Planning and Programming, Department of Public Works (Alternate for Michael Dever)
Paul Porter, Director, Department of Purchasing
Councilmember Meredith Turner
Councilmember Michael Houser
Councilmember Robert Schleper

II. – REVIEW MINUTES – 10/19/2026

Michael Chambers motioned to approve the minutes from the October 19, 2026, meeting; Meredith Turner seconded. The minutes were approved by unanimous vote, as written.

III. – PUBLIC COMMENT
There was no public comment.

IV. – CONTRACTS AND AWARDS

A. – Tabled Items

B. – New Items for Review

BC2026-551

Fiscal Department entering into an agreement with various municipalities within the County to pay the costs associated with counsel assigned to represent indigent persons charged with violations of the ordinances of the municipal corporation in a total amount not to exceed $500,000.00 for the period 1/1/2027 – 12/31/2027.

Funding Source: General Fund 80% reimbursed by Office of the Ohio Public Defender and 20% to be reimbursed by the municipality

Domonique Tatum, Fiscal Department, presented. Katherine A. Gallagher asked whether, under the Ohio Revised Code, indigent defense matters of municipal or mayor's courts are required to be processed through our office or may instead be submitted to the Ohio Public Defender's Office; asked for all 13 municipal courts regarding which costs are paid from the Fiscal Office and which are

reimbursable—whether by the cities or the Health Department; asked whether we are responsible for 40 percent of the costs associated with judges, bailiffs, and clerks of court; asked for last year's budget whether approximately $6 million was charged to the Fiscal Office for these expenses; commented presumable that, if our structure resembled Franklin County—with one municipal court and 15 judges rather than 13 municipal courts and 29 judges—overall costs to the county would likely be significantly lower. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Meredith Turner seconded. Item BC2026-551 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-552

Department of Information Technology,

a) Submitting an RFP exemption, which will result in an award recommendation to Advizex Technologies, Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed $53,585.60 for the purchase of (2) HPE DL360 Gen11 servers, various accessories, licensing and support for a period of 3 years from date of activation.

b) Recommending an award on Purchase Order No. 26003370 to Advizex Technologies, Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed $53,585.60 for the purchase of (2) HPE DL360 Gen11 servers, various accessories, licensing and support for a period of 3 years from date of activation.

Funding Source: Capital Improvement Plan

Brianna Witt, Department of Information Technology, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Robert Schleper seconded. Item BC2026-552 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-553

Department of Information Technology, recommending an award on Purchase Order No. 26003607 to MNJ Technologies Direct, Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed $10,068.01 for a joint cooperative purchase of (4) replacement transceivers and (4) meter optical cables for the Cleveland Data Center.

Funding Source: Capital Improvement Plan

Brianna Witt, Department of Information Technology, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Michael Houser seconded. Item BC2026-553 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-554

Department of Information Technology,

a) Submitting an RFP exemption, which will result in an award recommendation to Integrated Precision Systems in the amount not-to-exceed $11,010.36 for the purchase, installation and programming of (2) additional Axis cameras and (4) previously purchased cameras, includes licensing and support services for (8) cameras for a period of 1 year from date of activation for the County Jail.

b) Recommending an award on Purchase Order No. 26003632 to Integrated Precision Systems in the amount not-to-exceed $11,010.36 for the purchase, installation and programming of (2) additional Axis

cameras and (4) previously purchased cameras, includes licensing and support services for (8) cameras for a period of 1 year from date of activation for the County Jail.

Funding Source: Special Revenue Fund - Commissary Fund

Brianna Witt, Department of Information Technology, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Meredith Turner seconded. Item BC2026-554 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-555

Department of Human Resources, recommending an award on RQ16376 and enter into Contract No. 6496 with Minutemen HR Management Services, LLC (14-4) in the amount not-to-exceed $608,000.00 for Workers' Compensation Third Party Administrator services for the period 1/1/2027 - 3/31/2030.

Funding Source: Workers' Compensation Administration Fund

Stephen Witt, Department of Human Resources, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Robert Schleper seconded. Item BC2026-555 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-556

Court of Common Pleas/Corrections Planning Board, submitting an amendment to Contract No. 2499 with Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board of Cuyahoga County for residential treatment services in connection with the Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Program for the period 7/1/2022 – 6/30/2026 to extend the time period to 12/31/2026, to modify payment terms and for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed $700,000.00, effective 7/1/2026.

Funding Source: 29% Targeted Community Alternatives to Prison (T-CAP) Fund and 71% General Fund

Meghan Patton, Court of Common Pleas/Corrections Planning Board, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Michael Houser seconded. Item BC2026-556 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-557

Court of Common Pleas/Corrections Planning Board, recommending an award and enter into Agreement No. 6490 with Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board of Cuyahoga County in the amount not-to-exceed $210,000.00 for behavioral health treatment services in connection with the Forensic Assertive Community Treatment Docket Program for the period 7/1/2026 - 6/30/2027.

Funding Source: 80% Targeted Community Alternatives to Prison (T-CAP) Fund and 20% General Fund

Meghan Patton, Court of Common Pleas/Corrections Planning Board, presented. Michael Houser asked for clarification regarding the funding structure of the current agenda item; he asked about the rationale for the previous item being funded with 71 percent from the General Fund and 29 percent from another funding source, whereas the current item is funded with 80 percent from TCAP and 20 percent from the General Fund; asked whether the new program—the item just presented—is expected to sunset or whether it is anticipated to become an ongoing funding obligation. Michael Chambers

motioned to approve the item; Michael Houser seconded. Item BC2026-557 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-558

Medical Examiner's Office, submitting an amendment to Contract No. 2504 with Alere San Diego Inc. dba Immunalysis for purchase of Enzyme Linked Immunosorbent Assay (ELISA) Reagent Kits and Tecan EVOware software maintenance for the Toxicology Department for the period 6/28/2022 – 12/26/2026 to extend the time period to 12/26/2027 and for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed $90,000.00, effective upon signature of all parties.

Funding Source: General Fund

Hugh Shannon, Medical Examiner's Office, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Robert Schleper seconded. Item BC2026-558 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-559

Department of Public Safety and Justice Services, recommending an award and enter into Contract No. 6461 with Cleveland State University (211-3) in the amount not-to-exceed $12,500.00 for (1) 40-hour Ohio Hazardous Materials and Weapons of Mass Destruction Technician Course for up to 30 participants, effective upon signatures of all parties through 11/25/2026.

Funding Source: FY26 Local Emergency Planning Committee

Lezlie White, Department of Public Safety and Justice Services, presented. Michael Houser asked about the anticipated outcomes and goals of the course; asked what the program will actually involve. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Michael Houser seconded. Item BC2026-559 was approved by unanimous vote.

C. – Consent Agenda

There were no questions or comments on the Consent Agenda items. Michael Chambers motioned to approve Consent Agenda Item No. BC2026-560 through BC2026-562; Meredith Turner seconded. The Consent Agenda Items were approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-560

Department of Public Works, submitting an amendment to Contract No. 4478 with Terrace Construction Company, Inc. for rehabilitation of East 200th Street from Mohican Avenue to Lakeshore Boulevard in the Cities of Cleveland & Euclid in connection with the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program; for a decrease in the amount of ($919,806.35); recommending to accept construction as complete and in accordance with plans and specifications; requesting authority for the County Treasurer to release the escrow account, in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 153.63.

Funding Source: 58% Municipalities, 24% Federal Funding, 16% Ohio Public Works Commission, and 2% Road and Bridge Fund

BC2026-561

Cuyahoga County Law Library, submitting an amendment to Contract No. 6243 with West Publishing Corporation dba Thomson Reuters Enterprise Centre GmbH for electronic legal research and reference database services for library patrons for the period 6/1/2026 – 5/31/2029, to expand the scope of services to add AI research capabilities, to increase the monthly fees to cover the costs for the expanded scope and for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed $6,839.60, effective 11/1/2026.

Funding Source: Cuyahoga County Law Library Special Revenue Fund

BC2026-562

Fiscal Department, presenting proposed travel/membership requests for the week of 10/26/2026:

Dept:	Fiscal Office							
Event:	ICC 2026 Annual Conference and Expo Annual Business Meeting							
Source:	International Code Council ICC							
Location:	Nashville, TN							
Staff	Travel Dates	Registration **	Meals **	Lodging **	Ground TRN/ Mileage **	Air **	Total	Funding Source
David Molnar	10/16/2026-10/21/2026	$0.00	$450.00	$3,315.00	$201.68	$840.79	$4,807.47	International Code Council will reimburse the employee

*Paid to host
**Staff reimbursement
*** Airfare will be covered by a contract with the County's Travel Vendor

Purpose:
As a member of the ICC Board of Directors, I am required to participate in monthly BOD meetings. Each quarterly meeting is held in person: April at the Leadership Forum and Code Hearings, July in conjunction with a Membership Chapter event, October at the Annual Business Meeting and December in conjunction with a Membership Chapter event or announcement. This will be the Annual Business Meeting where members have chance to interact one-on-one with their BOD and hold elections for those seats that open

on rotation as well as the executive committee. For serving, the BOD, ICC reimburses all Directors for their travel, lodging and meals to attend these meetings, so I am not seeking any reimbursement from Cuyahoga County. There is no conference registration for the BOD.

Dept:	County Council
Event:	YSEALI Reciprocal Exchange Program
Source:	U.S Department of State
Location:	Bangkok, TD

Staff	Travel Dates	Registration	Meals	Lodging	Ground TRN/ Mileage	Air	Total	Funding Source
Laura Black	11/3/2026-11/12/2026	$0.00	$451.00	$495.65	$0.00	$2,300.00	$3,246.65*	U.S Department of State

* All expenses will be covered by U. S. Department of State, and no charges will be incurred by the County.

Purpose:
Travel to Thailand as part of a reciprocal fellowship under the YSEALI (Young Southeast Asian Leaders Initiative) Program. This is a reciprocal fellowship in follow up to a fellow Cuyahoga County Council hosted in the Spring of 2026 for Muslim Dohko. Muslim was placed with County Council to learn more about County level government, government transparency, accountability and access. During Muslim's time with Council, he wrote a proposal for a reciprocal fellowship to strengthen civic engagement and local leadership in Southern Thailand. Attached are the supporting details about the YSEALI Program and the itinerary for the project.

Dept:	Sheriff's Department
Event:	FBI-LEEDA Annual Training Conference
Source:	FBI LEEDA
Location:	Nashville, TN

Staff	Travel Dates	Registration *	Meals **	Lodging **	Ground TRN/ Mileage **	Air ***	Total	Funding Source
Christopher Kozub	4/4/2027-4/8/2027	$600.00	$250.00	$1,800.00	$100.00	$450.00	$3,200.00	Continuing Professional Training Fund

*Paid to host
**Staff reimbursement
*** Airfare will be covered by a contract with the County's Travel Vendor

Purpose:
To attend educational and leadership conferences to learn best practices in law enforcement. This conference will also allow networking opportunities with other law enforcement professionals from across the United States

V- OTHER BUSINESS

Item of Note (non-voted)

ION2026-122

Cuyahoga County Law Library, submitting a grant award from Great Lakes & Ohio Valley Association of Law Libraries in the amount of $250.00 to cover registration fees for the GLOVALL Annual Meeting Capitalizing on Innovation to be held in Dublin, Ohio on 10/28/2026 – 10/30/2026.

Funding Source: Great Lakes & Ohio Valley Association of Law Libraries

ION2026-123

Court of Common Pleas/Juvenile Court Division, submitting a Grant Award from The Supreme Court of Ohio in the amount of $25,000.00 for implementing a secure, cloud-based backup and disaster recovery solution in connection with the SFY2027 Court Improvement Program (CIP) Technology Grant, effective upon signatures of all parties through 9/30/2027.

Funding Source: Supreme Court Of Ohio

ION2026-124

Department of Public Safety and Justice Services, submitting a grant application and subgrant award agreement from Ohio Department of Youth Services in the amount of $200,000.00 for positive youth development services in connection with the FY2026 Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Title II Formula Block Grant Program, for the period 10/1/2026 - 6/30/2028.

Funding Source: Ohio Department of Youth Services

ION2026-125

Contracts up to $10,000.00 – Processed and executed (no vote required)

RQ No.	Contract Number	Vendor	Service Description	Amount	Department	Date(s) of Service	Funding Source	Date of Execution
16331	6295	Professional Service Industries, Inc	To provide testing and inspection services for the construction of the new Cuyahoga County Corrections Services Campus.	$0.00	Department of Public Works	7/25/2026 – Project Completion; **to change the original effective date to 6/27/2026**	(Original) General Fund	(Executive) 10/13/2026 (Law) 10/14/2026
NA	6457	United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service	For animal and wildlife control services for the Cuyahoga County Airport.	$9,706.95	Department of Public Works	1/1/2027 – 12/31/2027	County Airport Operations Fund	(Executive) 10/13/2026

		(Aphis) Wildlife Services (WS)						
NA	6355	City Of Broadview Heights	To develop and implement the Community Diversion Program for court referred youth.	$1800.00	Court of Common Pleas/Juvenile Court Division	1/1/2027-12/31/2028	Health and Human Services Levy Fund	(Executive) 10/13/2026
NA	6440	Cuyahoga Community College District	Room rental, catering and audio/visual services in connection with the 2026 Office of Child Support's Annual Employees Workshop.	$4,915.50	Department of Health and Human Services/Office of Child Support Services	Event held on 10/29/2026	Health and Human Services Levy Fund	(Executive) 10/13/2026 (Law) 10/13/2026

Various Agreements – Processed and executed (no vote required)

Approving Resolution	Public convenience and welfare project description	Total Estimated Project Cost	Total Actual Project Cost	Funding Source	Date of Execution
R2024-0335	Replacement of Miles Road Bridge No. 12.10 over the Chagrin River in the Villages of Chagrin Falls and Moreland Hills - Council District 6	$5,600,000.00		$4,480,000.00 Federal Local Bridge Program Fund $1,120,000.00 Road and Bridge Fund	(Executive) 10/13/2026
R2025-0267	LPA Agreement for the Rehabilitation of McCracken Road Bridge No. 01.36 over Mill Creek in the Cities of Garfield Heights and Maple Heights – Council District 8	$3,000,000.00		$2,400,000.00 Federal (4TA7 Funds) $600,000.00 Road and Bridge Fund	(Executive) 10/13/2026
R2026-0217	Reconstruction at the Fairmount Boulevard/Shakercrest Boulevard intersection, including new eastbound and westbound left-turn-only lanes and a new traffic signal in the City of Beachwood – Council District 11	$593,000.00		$250,000.00 Road and Bridge Fund $343,000.00 City of Beachwood	(Executive) 10/13/2026
R2026-0217	Reconstruction of Ridge Road from Flowerdale Avenue to Memphis Avenue in the City of Brooklyn - Council District 3	$4,837,116.00		$250,000.00 Road and Bridge Fund $4,587,116.00 City of Brooklyn	(Executive) 10/13/2026
R2026-0217	Resurfacing of Granger Road from I-480 to East Corporation Line in the City of Garfield Heights – Council District 8	$534,116.00		$250,000.00 Road and Bridge Fund $284,116.00 City of Garfield Heights	(Executive) 10/13/2026
R2026-0217	Resurfacing of Harvard Avenue from West Corporation Line to East 42nd Street in the Village of	$734,616.00		$250,000.00 Road and Bridge Fund $484,616.00 Village of Newburgh Heights	(Executive) 10/13/2026

	Newburgh Heights – Council District 8				
R2026-0217	Reconstruction of South Belvoir Boulevard from Bluestone Road to Monticello Boulevard (Northbound Only) in the City of South Euclid – Council District 11	$557,150.00		$250,000.00 Road and Bridge Fund $307,150.00 City of South Euclid	(Executive) 10/13/2026

VI – PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

VII – ADJOURNMENT

Michael Chambers motioned to adjourn; Paul Porter seconded. The motion to adjourn was unanimously approved at 11:19 a.m.