

Sandusky County Commissioners – 622 Croghan Street, Fremont, OH 43420			2025 MEETING	
Meeting: Board Of Commissioners		Location: Commissioners' Board Room	Date: 9/9/2025	Time: 8:00AM – 9:34AM
Present: Commissioners: Scott Miller – President, Charles Schwochow– Vice President; Russ Zimmerman				
Present: Theresa Garcia – County Administrator				
Others Present: Julie Schwochow, John Johannsen, Peggy Courtney				
(*action items)				
AGENDA ITEMS	BRIEF DESCRIPTIONS / ACTION STEPS:	PERSON RESPONSIBLE:	DOLLAR AMOUNT:	MOTION / VOTE
Call to Order Pledge of Allegiance (8:00am)		Scott Miller, President		
*Review & Approval of Commissioner Meeting Minutes, incoming Mail Review & External Meeting Notices	The 9/4/2025 minutes were reviewed/approved by the Board. The Board reviewed incoming mail and external meeting notices.	Scott Miller Charles Schwochow Russ Zimmerman		*Motion: Move to Approve minutes Moved by: Russ Zimmerman 2nd: Charles Schwochow Yes – 3
Commissioners and Administrator Discussion	Commissioner Zimmerman attended the Regional Planning meeting. They talked about the York Township zoning policy. They are planning to have it on the May ballot. They are going to give people a checklist to complete when they are requesting a lot split. They can't require them to complete the form but it will make sure they have everything done they need to have done prior to the request. They discussed completing the Comprehensive Plan and if we need to hire a company for the update or can we do it on our own. They are going to make some calls to the current vendor that is being used. They also talked about the Villages that are under the required number of residents and if they are going to be absorbed and by what entity when this comes up.	Russ Zimmerman		

* Then /Now Documents	None			
* Personnel	A vacation cash out request was approved			
* Travel Requests	None			
Community Work Program	<u>John Johannsen – CWP.</u> John came in for his regular meeting with the Commissioners. See attachment for agenda items. Things are working out really well. They have had quite a few projects. He only has a two man crew right now. Fair went smooth with the crew. Cemeteries are done for the year. The equipment is getting older and they will need to be replaced. Commissioner Miller noted it is a good program and they hear good things about the program.	John Johannsen – Sheriff Deputy/CWP Coordinator		
Visitors Bureau	<u>Peggy Courtney – Visitors Bureau.</u> Peggy came in for her regular meeting with the Commissioners. See attachment for agenda items. New employee, Laurie Gippert, is doing really well. They are starting to work on the 2026 Community Guide and already have quite a few sponsors updating their ads. Plans for the America 250-OH is moving along. There are events being planned and they are going to be the central location to go to find these events. Peggy is working with Bellevue on their area Tourism & Visitors Bureau. They are helping them regain control of their media outlets and will help them build their new web site and help with a digital campaign. She has gathered most of the information on the GOBA event they showed \$54,000.00 and once they have Terra Community College numbers added it could be at \$85,000.00 without the extra dollars spent by people who went out on their own. Peggy feels they will bring the event back to the County because of how successful the event was. Ohio Pirate Con had about 1,000 people came to the event. There was 30 vendors and it went well. Commissioner Miller asked about the Airstream Convention and how that was going. Peggy noted they are still looking at going to Seneca County because of location and cost. They are still trying to see if they can work something out.	Peggy Courtney – Executive Director		

* Resolutions	2025 – 239 APPOINTING SCOTT MILLER AS THE REPRESENTATIVE FOR SANDUSKY COUNTY TO THE ONEOHIO REGION 17 BOARD	OneOhio Region 17		*Motion: Move to Approve resolution Moved by: Russ Zimmerman 2nd: Charles Schwochow Yes – 3
	2025 - 240 APPROVING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS TO FAMILY & CHILDREN FIRST'S GENERAL, WRAPAROUND AND FEDERAL GRANT FUND FOR BENEFITS (\$7,000.00); AND TO THE GENERAL FUND FOR PURCHASED SERVICES/CONTRACT (\$20,000.00) AND SUPPLIES (\$12,000.00)	FCFC	\$7,000.00 \$20,000.00 \$12,000.00	*Motion: Move to Approve resolution Moved by: Charles Schwochow 2nd: Russ Zimmerman Yes – 3
	2025 - 241 ENTERING INTO AGREEMENT WITH BELLEVUE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER (SRO) ON BEHALF OF SANDUSKY COUNTY SHERIFF	Sheriff		*Motion: Move to Approve resolution Moved by: Russ Zimmerman 2nd: Charles Schwochow Yes – 3
	2025 - 242 ENTERING INTO AGREEMENT WITH VANGUARD SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER (SRO) ON BEHALF OF SANDUSKY COUNTY SHERIFF	Sheriff		*Motion: Move to Approve resolution Moved by: Charles Schwochow 2nd: Russ Zimmerman Yes – 3
	2025 – 243 AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY EMPLOYEES BENEFIT CONSORTIUM OF OHIO, INC. (CEBCO), FOR THE PROVISION OF HEALTH INSURANCE TO SANDUSKY COUNTY EMPLOYEES	Commissioners		*Motion: Move to Approve resolution Moved by: Russ Zimmerman 2nd: Charles Schwochow Yes – 3
	2025 – 244 UPDATING SEWER SERVICE RATES FOR THE SHOREWOOD AREA & SUNNY ACRES AREA OF THE GENERAL SEWER DISTRICT.	Sanitary Engineer		*Motion: Move to Approve resolution Moved by: Russ Zimmerman 2nd: Charles Schwochow Yes – 3
	2025 – 245 UPDATING SEWER SERVICE RATES FOR THE STATE ROUTE 53 (PHASE 3) AREA OF THE GENERAL SEWER DISTRICT.	Sanitary Engineer		*Motion: Move to Approve resolution Moved by: Charles Schwochow 2nd: Russ Zimmerman Yes – 3

	2025 – 246 UPDATING SEWER SERVICE RATES FOR SANDUSKY TOWNSHIP REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT (PHASE 1A) AND THE RIVIERA MOBILE MANOR AREA WITHIN THE CITY OF FREMONT.	Sanitary Engineer		*Motion: Move to Approve resolution Moved by: Charles Schwochow 2nd: Russ Zimmerman Yes – 3
	2025- 247 UPDATING SEWER SERVICE RATES FOR SANDUSKY TOWNSHIP REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT (PHASE 1B AND 3).	Sanitary Engineer		*Motion: Move to Approve resolution Moved by: Russ Zimmerman 2nd: Charles Schwochow Yes – 3
	2025- 248 UPDATING SEWER SERVICE RATES FOR SANDUSKY TOWNSHIP REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT OUTSIDE OF SEWER IMPROVEMENTS PHASE 1A AND PHASE 1B & 3.	Sanitary Engineer		*Motion: Move to Approve resolution Moved by: Russ Zimmerman 2nd: Charles Schwochow Yes – 3
	2025 - 249 APPROVING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN MICHAELS DITCH BOND FUND TO FEES (\$103.72) AND TRANSFER OUT (\$1,866.99) FOR AUDITOR FEE AND TRANSFER TO CONSTRUCTION FUND; FUND TRANSFER FROM BOND FUND TO CONSTRUCTION FUND (\$68,309.38) FOR DITCH EXPENSES	Michaels Ditch Funds	\$103.72 \$1,866.99 \$68,309.38	*Motion: Move to Approve resolution Moved by: Charles Schwochow 2nd: Russ Zimmerman Yes – 3
Public Open Session	Citizens Attendees – none Media Attendees – none Elected Officials – none			
* Adjournment (9:34am)	With business completed for the day the meeting was adjourned.			* Motion: Move to adjourn Moved by: Charles Schwochow 2nd: Russ Zimmerman Yes - 3

Attest: Theresa Grady
Clerk to the Board / County Administrator

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Board of Commissioners,
Sandusky County, Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing
is a true and correct copy from the official record of said
Board of County Commissioners as recorded in its Journal.

Clerk, Board of County Commissioners, Sandusky County, Ohio

Signature of:

Scott Miller
Scott Miller, President

absent
Charles Schwochow, Vice President

Russ Zimmerman
Russ Zimmerman

Board of County Commissioners, Sandusky County Ohio



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Commissioner Meeting Agenda – September 9, 2025

1. Laurie Gippert
2. 2026 Sandusky County Community Guide
3. Bellevue Area Tourism & Visitors Bureau
 - SCVB helped them regain control of Facebook, Instagram, email, telephone number
 - SCVB contracted to build new Bellevue Area Tourism website
 - SCVB to help with digital campaign
4. GOBA numbers
5. America 250-OH
6. Ohio Pirate Con

Sandusky County Work Crew Monthly Report

To: Sandusky County Commissioners

From: Deputy John Johannsen

Reporting Period: August 1 – August 31

Overview

The Sandusky County Work Crew has continued to assist various departments and community partners throughout the month of August. Our primary goals remain focused on providing meaningful work opportunities for participants while contributing positively to the community and saving taxpayer dollars through labor assistance.

Monthly Summary of Activities

Location	Task(s) Performed	Hours Worked
Woodville Cemetery	weed trimming	16
Sandusky County Fairgrounds	Trash, set up and tear down	8
Countryside	Lawn mowing, trimming	32
Fremont Food Pantry	load and unload food	4
OSU Extension	picked corn	6
Gibsonburg Cemetery	weed trimming	3
Greenspring Cemetery	weed trimming	4
Misc	***various task***	30

Transporting boxes from Record retention to Woodville Court, Cleaning Vehicles, equipment maintenance.

Total Hours Worked: 103 hours

Participants

Average Crew Size: 3 individuals per day

Total Participants this Month: 09

Referral Sources: Jail and Probation Department

Highlights:

Challenges:

Equipment in poor shape

Limited crew size and not on crew long enough to be consistent.

High heat during mid-August required adjusting working hours for safety.

Goals for Next Month:

Increase coordination with local townships for shared services projects.

Assist with fall preparation projects in parks and county entities.

Continue safety training and hydration awareness for all crew members.

Build a better relationship with the courts and probation officers to help get qualified candidates on the crew.

Find ways to motivate qualified inmates to participate in the program.

Thank you for your continued support of the Work Crew program. Our participants are gaining valuable skills while helping improve the community in a meaningful way.

Respectfully submitted,

Deputy John Johannsen

Work Crew Coordinator

Sandusky County

9/9/2025

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