

**Sandusky County Commissioners – 622 Croghan Street, Fremont, OH 43420**

**2026 MEETING**

Meeting: Board Of Commissioners

Location: Commissioners' Board Room

Date: 4/23/2026

Time: 8:00AM – 12:21PM

Present: Commissioners: Scott Miller – President, Russ Zimmerman – Vice President, Justin Smith

Present: Theresa Garcia – County Administrator

Others Present: Judge Cindy Welty, Noah Mahler, ODOT Representatives

(\*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 4/21/2026 minutes were reviewed/approved by the Board. The Board reviewed incoming mail and external meeting notices.	Scott Miller Russ Zimmerman Justin Smith		*Motion: Move to Approve minutes Moved by: Justin Smith 2nd: Russ Zimmerman Yes – 3
Commissioners and Administrator Discussion	Commissioner Smith attended the Visitors Bureau meeting. They discussed the America 250 events that are being scheduled. Many entities are scheduling special events and there will be a calendar to track these events. City of Fremont is planning a parade and they will group it by era's and it should be very interesting.	Justin Smith		
Judge Welty	Judge Welty came in to talk with the Commissioners. She brought in information regarding Hope Court and her numbers participating. They did have one graduate from the program. Commissioner Miller asked about the funding for the program. Some funding comes from the State and other local. She was asked how she feels about the program. She feels the program is very important and has done some good on those that have participated so far. Hope Court is hosting Jim Wahlberg as a free community event. He is speaking on his redemptive life story. She does have a couple of other	Cindy Welty – County Court Judge		

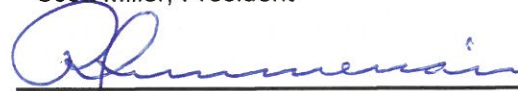
	<p>speakers scheduled for later in the year. Judge talked about how the program works and how they are eligible for the program. There is a new program called Turn the Page. This will allow anyone with a warrant and/or BMV Blocks to come on-site at Woodville Court and they will take care of their warrants and resolve pending cases. They will be given options on paying for fees owed. Judge wanted to talk about the jury trial in Woodville Court. She said neither Woodville nor Clyde Court is sufficient to host a jury trial. There were complaints about not having enough room, parking and temperature in the building. Judge wanted to talk about the plan for Clyde Court security. She is having difficulty thinking of spending the money quoted on this area for only two days a week. She feels that having a deputy in house on those days has made a big difference. She would rather bank the money and look for a central location. Mediation with Clerk of Courts went well. Supreme court will be coming to train clerks, and she will be closing courts for the training. During Judge training they were told they may be putting ICE Agents in municipal courts. This is just conversation it has not been approved, just something they are considering. It may not ever happen they just wanted to make them aware of the possibility.</p>			
<b>* Then /Now Documents</b>	None			
<b>* Personnel</b>	Health insurance transfer for April was presented for signatures.		\$363,481.13	
<b>* Travel Requests</b>	None			
<b>EMS</b>	EMS meeting was rescheduled for next week.			
<b>* Resolutions</b>	2026 - 108 APPROVING APPROPRIATION TRANSFER FOR EMA FROM CONTRACT SERVICES TO CAPITAL OUTLAY (\$30,812.00) FOR 2026 EXPENSES	EMA	\$30,812.00	*Motion: Move to Approve resolution Moved by: Russ Zimmerman 2nd: Justin Smith Yes – 3
	2026 - 109 APPROVING FUND TRANSFER FROM 79 SALES TAX TO GENERAL FUND AND PI (\$597,000.00)	Commissioners	\$597,000.00	*Motion: Move to Approve resolution Moved by: Russ Zimmerman 2nd: Justin Smith Yes – 3

<b>Public Open Session</b>	Citizens Attendees – none Media Attendees – none Elected Officials – Cindy Welty, County Court Judge			
<b>ODOT Annual Update</b>	ODOT representatives came in and reviewed 2026-2027 maintenance project updates. The roundabout on the East side of Fremont will start in June and they are looking for a roundabout on the West end of Fremont at CR 128. Several resurfacing projects and some culvert repairs will be happening. (Attached is some project information)			
<b>* Adjournment (12:21pm)</b>	With business completed for the day the meeting was adjourned.			* Motion: Move to adjourn Moved by: Justin Smith 2nd: Russ Zimmerman Yes - 3

Signature of:



Scott Miller, President



Russ Zimmerman, Vice President



Justin Smith

**Board of County Commissioners, Sandusky County Ohio**

Attest:   
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.

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Clerk, Board of County Commissioners, Sandusky County, Ohio

# MAINTENANCE PROJECTS- SANDUSKY COUNTY

- **Culvert Replacement – US 6 @ 19.82 mm**
  - Just west of CR 198 – prior to FY27 Resurface Project
- **Culvert Replacement US 6 @ 22.37 mm**
  - Near TR 222 – prior to FY27 Resurface Project
- **Culvert Replacement US 6 @ 23.42 mm**
  - Just west of CR 232 – prior to FY27 Resurface Project
- **Drainage Project SR 412 @ 0.66 mm/CR 198**
  - Safety Project ditch enclosure and embankment restoration



# CONSTRUCTION IN 2026

## FY 2026

**PID 101291:** Resurface US 20 between Bradner Rd. and west Woodville Corp. line

- Lane restrictions underway
- Project also includes resurfacing SR 65 in Wood County

**PID 121389:** Resurface US 20 between CR 175 and west Bellevue Corp. line

- Project sells today; lane restrictions will be required

**PID 107718:** State Route 523 bridge replacement over Little Muddy Creek

- Closes late July for 75 days

**PID 117268:** D02 Extrusion sheet replacement project in Sandusky, Wood, & Lucas Countys.

- Lane closures & future rolling closures for install and removals on US20 bypass



# CONSTRUCTION IN 2026

## FY 2026

**PID 94332:** Full-depth reconstruction of **State Route 510** between US 20 and U.S. 6

- Closes between US 20 and SR 412 on Monday, May 11 for 82 days
- Closes between SR 412 and US 6 on or around early August for 127 days
- Northbound traffic only for local and business access

**PID 112222:** Construct roundabout at US 20 and E. State St.

- Project sells May 7; Road/lane closures will be required
- Permanent closure of County Roads 198 & 229 at conclusion

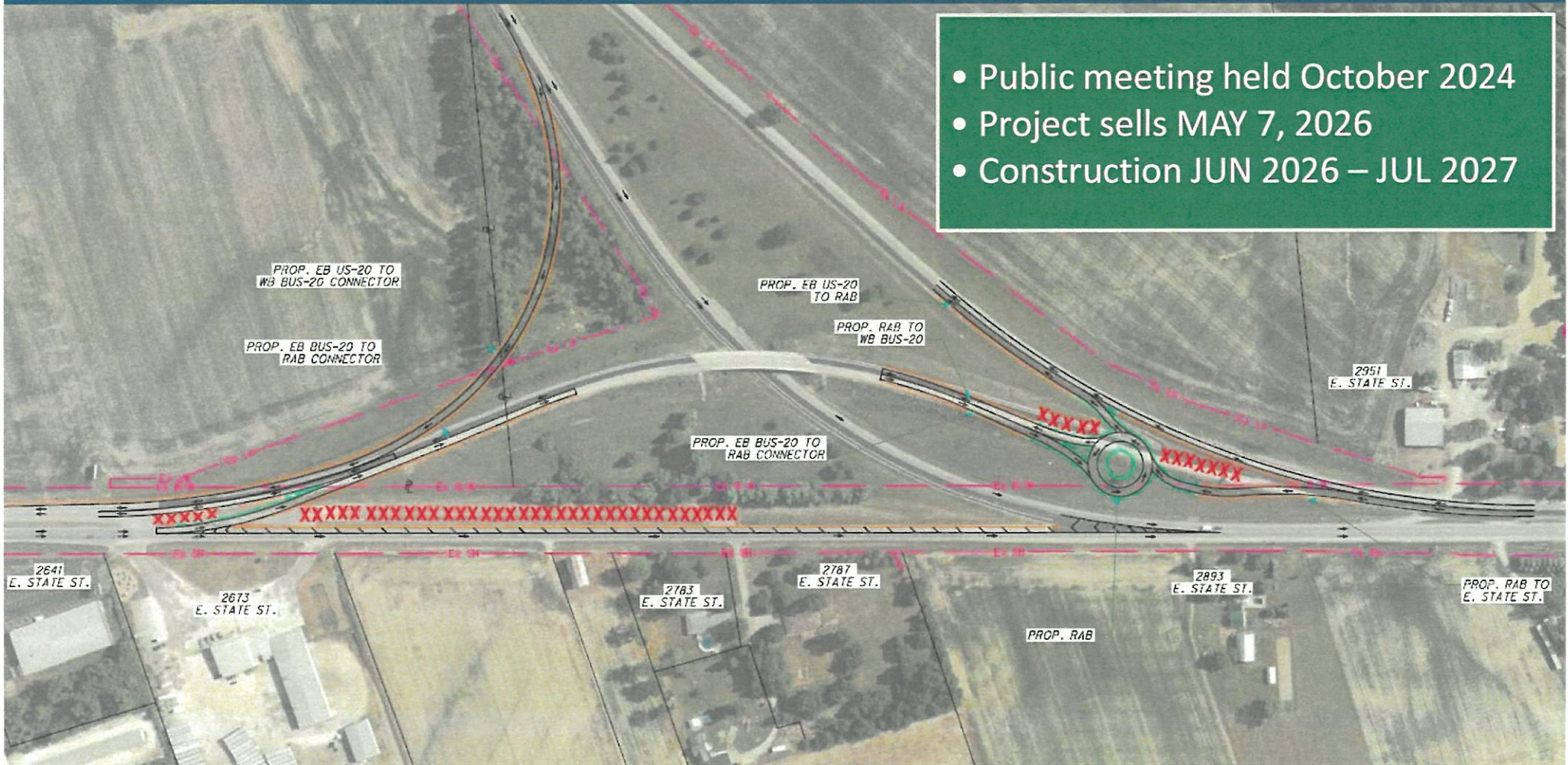
**PID 121307:** Resurface State Route 18 between Bellevue and county line

- Continues into Seneca County
- Starts end of May



# U.S. 20 AT BUSINESS ROUTE 20

- Public meeting held October 2024
- Project sells MAY 7, 2026
- Construction JUN 2026 – JUL 2027



# PROPOSED: US 20 AT FOUR MILE HOUSE ROAD

## Project Description

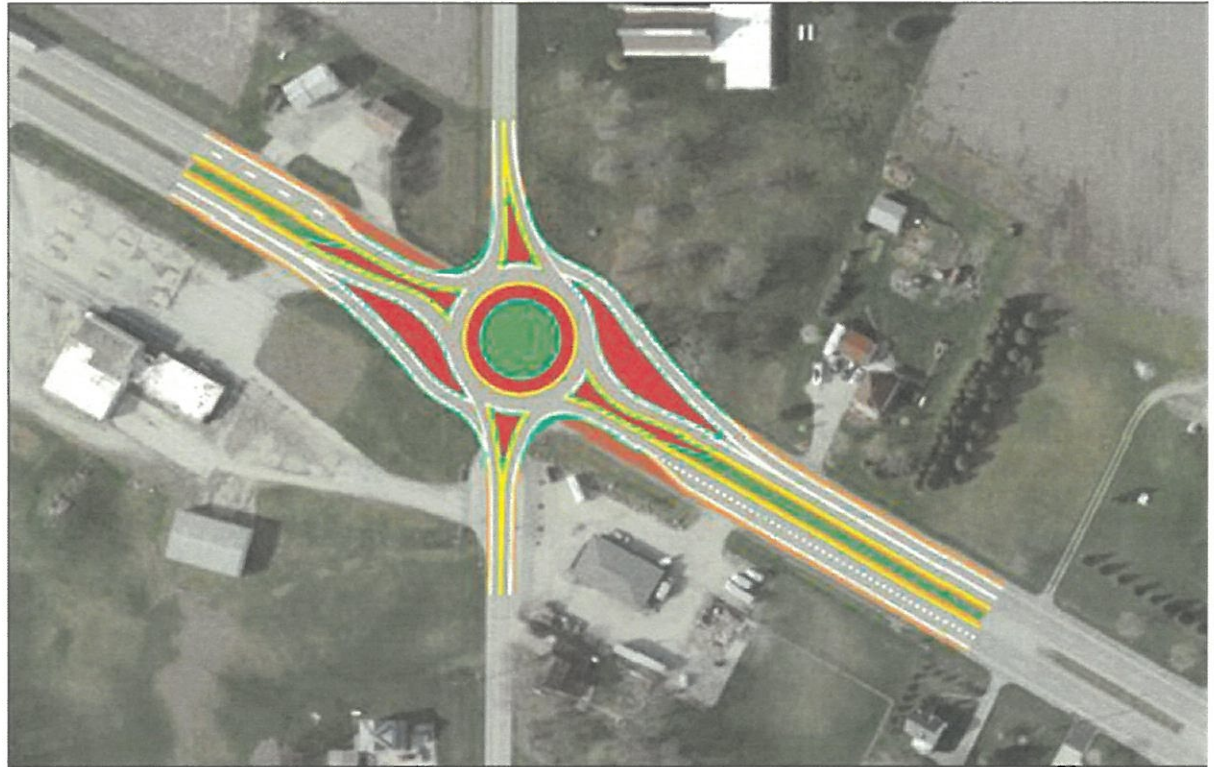
- ☒ Convert to single lane roundabout with US-20 right turn drop lanes
- ☒ \$ 6,300,000 total project cost
  - 5% local match (SCEO)
  - \$ 1,000,000 design
  - \$ 250,000 right-of-way
  - \$ 5,050,000 construction
- ☒ Construction in FY 2031

**Not yet funded**

Safety application submitted

March 2026

Announcements come late summer



# JIM WAHLBERG

## A REDEMPTIVE LIFE STORY

Jim offers a passionate and personal testimony of his redemptive life from being an imprisoned drug addicted adolescent to encountering one of the greatest saints of all time at his lowest point, ultimately turning his life around.

### FREE COMMUNITY EVENT



**WEDNESDAY MAY 20, 2026**

6:00 pm Doors open

6:30 PM - 7:30 PM Speaking

7:30 PM - 8:00 PM Book signing and refreshments



**Clyde High School Auditorium**

1015 Race St, Clyde, OH 43410



Keep an eye on the Mental Health and Recovery Services Board of Seneca, Ottawa, Sandusky, and Wyandot Counties' (MHSOSW) Facebook page for a chance to **WIN** a **FREE** book!

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*The Big Hustle*

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# SANDUSKY COUNTY COUNTY COURT IS HOSTING:

TURN THE PAGE



**MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2026**  
**10:00 AM - 6:00 PM**  
**215 W. MAIN ST**  
**WOODVILLE, OHIO**

**REGISTRATION NOT REQUIRED**

**MORE INFO:**

**SDICKMAN@SANDUSKYCOUNTYOH.GOV**  
**(419) 547-3262 EXT 3**

## OPPORTUNITIES

Resolve Pending  
Cases

Lift Warrants and  
BMV Blocks

Court Staff  
Probation Officers  
Judge/Magistrate




Options for  
Collections/Fees  
Owed

Seal/Expunge Case  
Same Day

Prosecutor  
Public Defenders  
Deputy Clerks

## ON-SITE SUPPORT

4/23/2026

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