

JULY 13 – MEETING 28
VOLUME 29

The Ross County Board of Commissioners met on this day, July 13, 2026, in regular session.

Commissioner Jack Everson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., with Commissioner David Glass, and James Lowe, in attendance.

Commissioner Everson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES APPROVED

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Glass seconded, the minutes of the July 6, 2026 meeting, be approved as submitted.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Glass, yes; Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes. Motion carried.

BILLS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Glass seconded, the following bills of the county be approved for payment:

PAY TO NAME	DESCRIPTION	TOTAL VALUE				
Stepmobile LLC	OCS5 Communication Service	82.9		American Electric Power	CASA MISC./OTHER EXPENSES	1000
Thomson Reuters - West	June Legal Research - Subscription Fee	381.59		Deanna Menendez	INDIGENT TRANSCRIPT FEES	1614
Wex Bank	June Fuel Expenses	186.57		Paper City Mentoring Project	PAPER CITY MENTORING PROJECT	3000
The Water Express	Water Delivery	50.4		GFC Leasing-OH	image force copier monthly	472.44
Berry, Jennifer	ATTORNEY FEES-MUNICIPAL COURT	228		Glo Fiber	law library phone	44.49
Berry, Jennifer	ATTORNEY FEES-MUNICIPAL COURT	564		West Group	2025 Westlaw prolex online Acct#1000299443	1280.55
Benson, Melinda J	ATTORNEY FEES-JUVENILE COURT	727.5		The Water Express	Supplies	23.5
Government Finance Officers Association	certificate of achievement review fee FY 2025	1450		JOHN W HEMMINGS III	JWH3-ADMIN CONSULTANT FOR ACGP GRANT	17821.4
Benson, Melinda J	ATTORNEY FEES-JUVENILE COURT	82.5		OHIO HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC	OHIO HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC CONSTRUCTION ACGP	
Vision Government Solutions	Vantage Software Maintenance	4724		Ohio Historical Society, Inc	GRANT	59241.9
Benson, Melinda J	ATTORNEY FEES-JUVENILE COURT	112.5		City of Chillicothe Auditor's Office	CITY OF CHILLICOTHE-CONSTRUCTION FOR ACGP	
Vision Government Solutions	ArcCam Software Maint/ArcTax Software	284.38		City of Chillicothe Auditor's Office	GRANT 12	2975938.43
Benson, Melinda J	ATTORNEY FEES-JUVENILE COURT	360		Village of Leesburg	VILLAGE OF LEESBURG-CONSTRUCTION FOR ACGP	
Rutherford, Chase Colin	ATTORNEY FEES-JUVENILE COURT	75		Village of Leesburg	GRANT 12	376559.8
Rutherford, Chase Colin	ATTORNEY FEES-JUVENILE COURT	75		Village of Frankfort	VILLAGE OF FRANKFORT-CONSTRUCTION FOR ACGP	
Rutherford, Chase Colin	ATTORNEY FEES-JUVENILE COURT	75		Village of Frankfort	GRANT 1	1380858.36
Rutherford, Chase Colin	ATTORNEY FEES-JUVENILE COURT	75		C.T. CONSULTANTS INC	ARCHITECT & ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES FOR	
Rutherford, Chase Colin	ATTORNEY FEES-JUVENILE COURT	75		C.T. CONSULTANTS INC	ACGP G	40842.75
Rutherford, Chase Colin	ATTORNEY FEES-JUVENILE COURT	75		City of Chillicothe Auditor's Office	CITY OF CHILLICOTHE-ADMIN FOR ACGP GRANT	26583.48
Rutherford, Chase Colin	ATTORNEY FEES-JUVENILE COURT	362.5		BOT AID, Inc	BOT AID INC-ARCHITECT & ENGINEERING DESIGN	
The Water Express	water for Auditor's office	35.75		BOT AID, Inc	SERVICE	9917.88
Ross Co. Water Company	17 483-001/Engineer Office- Water	204.34		Village of Peebles	VILLAGE OF PEEBLES-CONSTRUCTION FOR ACGP GRANT	
Printex Printing	timing device forms-weights and measures	175		Village of Peebles	1221	712408.89
American Electric Power	utilities	4070.45		Choice One Engineering Corporation	ARCHITECT & ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES FOR	
First Communications, LLC	long distance	63.7		Choice One Engineering Corporation	ACGP G	16800
Glo Fiber	internet/phone	687.95		Beyond Consulting Group LLC	INCOMPLIANCE-OWNER REPRESENTATION ACGP	
Glo Fiber	internet/phone	1719.45		Beyond Consulting Group LLC	GRANT 12284	35619.54
CDW Government, Inc.	2026 CDW	72.42		Village of Greenfield	VILLAGE OF GREENFIELD-CONSTRUCTION FOR ACGP	
Charter Communications	Spectrum - 2026	151.33		Village of Greenfield	GRANT	497697.76
Oell Marketing L.P.	2026 Dell	2436.1		Village of Lynchburg	VILLAGE OF LYNCHBURG-CONSTRUCTION FOR ACGP	
VC3 INC	Managed Security / Anti-Virus	2444		Village of Lynchburg	GRANT 12	291720.77
Go2ITGroup	Contract Services	1824.44		American Structure Point, Inc	Contract Services-Comprehensive plan	56450
USA TODAY MEDIA CORP	ADVERTISING	31		WALLACE & PANCHER INC.	ARCHITECT & ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES FOR	
The Water Express	Contract Services	27.48		WALLACE & PANCHER INC.	ACGP G	22500
Pitney Bowes	Pitney Bowes Reserve Account	8000		Village of Georgetown	VILLAGE OF GEORGETOWN-CONSTRUCTION FOR ACGP	
Eric Rinehart	Reimbursement Travel Eric	89.9		Village of Georgetown	GRANT 1	69184
Doug Corcoran	Reimbursement Travel Doug	99.33		Village of Chauncey	VILLAGE OF CHAUNCEY-CONSTRUCTION FOR ACGP	
Town & County Engineering & Contractor Services	CONTRACT SERVICES	4725		Village of Chauncey	12223B-A	110289.59
JOSH HETTINGER	OTHER EXPENSES	33.95		Hill, Laura J.	INDIGENT GUARDIAN ATTORNEY FEES	400
The Water Express	OTHER EXPENSES	8.75		The Water Express	PROBATE MISC./OTHER EXPENSES	21.5
State Electric Supply, Inc.	State Electric SC	411		Amazon Capital Services	PROBATE OFFICE SUPPLIES	30.34
State Electric Supply, Inc.	Electric for courthouse / Camp sherman	35.07		Lexis-Nexis	Legal Research - Subscription Fee	450
Printex Printing	Letterhead	250		Westside Media	CONTENT MGMT SYSTEMS	30
Sports Plus	shirts for dog wardens office	1142		Gordon Flesch Company	BASE FEE 7/20/26-8/19/26 GEN. DIV. COURT, CLERK OF	1467.95
Sherwin Williams Company	Sherwin williams	65.9		Glo Fiber	FIBER INTERNET SERV JULY 2026	1874
Fisher, Brent	Arrow Wood acres	265		Compass Integration LLC	NETWORK SUPPORT JUNE 2026	10845.6
Fisher, Brent	Autumn Woods acres	170		Compass Integration LLC	EXPENSES JUNE 2026	3181.67
Fisher, Brent	Creek View Acres	195		Glo Fiber	2024-JG-A01-85834 - OTHER COSTS	79.55
Fisher, Brent	Cross Creek acres	195		Glo Fiber	Fair Share- Other Costs	148.71
Fisher, Brent	North View Acres	195		Glo Fiber	2024-JG-A01-85834 - OTHER COSTS	261.68
Fisher, Brent	Teays Valley 2	305		Amazon Capital Services	Fair Share- Supplies	580.9
Fisher, Brent	Senic Acres 7	195		Greenes Automotive	Fair Share- Other Costs	381.48
Fisher, Brent	Senic Acres #2	195		Wex Bank	2024-DL-LEF-5625 - Other Costs	1894.35
Fisher, Brent	State Creek cove	265		Wex Bank	Fair Share- Other Costs	100.37
USA TODAY MEDIA CORP	Legal Notices	91.8		Southern Ohio Shredding LLC	CONTRACT SERVICES	51.5
First Communications, LLC	Long Distance service	12.24		Total ID Solutions	OTHER EXPENSES	538
Waste Management of Ohio	LIHS trash pickup	343.91		LCNB National Bank	CONTRACT SERVICES	90
Waste Management of Ohio	Dumpster service 15 N paint	289.05		Amazon Capital Services	OTHER EXPENSES	502.28
Waste Management of Ohio	Dumpster Pickup AP	229.01		Galls, LLC	OTHER EXPENSES	397.32
Waste Management of Ohio	Dumpster Service Western	1414.15		Penwell, Julia	OTHER EXPENSES	1576.25
Rumpke Of Ohio, Inc	Trash pickup	596.85		Treasurer - State of Ohio	OTHER EXPENSES	3380
Southern Ohio Shredding LLC	Shredding Documents	389.2		Escamilla, Vanessa	CONTRACT SERVICES	396
Fisher, Brent	Clayton Mills A	85		Fayette County Commissioners	CONTRACT SERVICES	5280
Fisher, Brent	Clayton Mills B	85		MobileXUSA	MEDICAL EXPENSES	345
Fisher, Brent	Golf View Acres	265		Adam H Buckler DDS, LLC	MEDICAL EXPENSES	131.67
Worly Plumbing Supply, Inc.	Worly Plumbing	189.29		MOBILEXUSA	MEDICAL EXPENSES	1220
State Electric Supply, Inc.	Misc supplies LEC	20.22		Adena Health System	MEDICAL EXPENSES	833.2
UNITED LABORATORIES INC	Misc supplies	1686.06		Rumpke Of Ohio, Inc	2024-JG-A01-85834 - OTHER COSTS	71.51
American Electric Power	Electric At SC	9036.38		Aramark Services, Inc	FOOD SUPPLIES	8480.03
Holiday Outdoor Decor	Holiday lights for courthouse	3419.35		Penwell, Julia	OTHER EXPENSES	142.9
Zuefle, Ashley	Transcript-25CR324-St v C. King-By ANZ; 5Pgs-(1) H	30.5		Amazon Capital Services	OTHER EXPENSES	56.61
The Water Express	other expenses	27.48		DTB Distributors, Inc.	OTHER EXPENSES	939.42
Clevenger, Leah	Transcripts	522		DTB Distributors, Inc.	OTHER EXPENSES	1443.78
Office Depot Inc.	supplies	99.28		DTB Distributors, Inc.	OTHER EXPENSES	115.06
Amazon Capital Services	VARIOUS NEEDS	4.1		Ratcliff, Roger	OTHER EXPENSES	136.3
13 BRADFORD DR.	REIMB. CONTRACT SERVICES/TRAINING AND			Jonina Johnson	CONTRACT SERVICES	322
Thomas, Jodi L.	RECERTIFICAT	949		Coughlin Chevrolet of Chillicothe	2026-RO-ETF-79562 - Equipment	25000
Haller Funeral Home, LLC	ANSWERING SERVICE	140		Glacier Mountain Bottled Water	VARIOUS SUPPLIES	9
Interactive Data LLC	LIVERY REMOVAL SERVICES	705		ADVANTAGE LASER PRODUCTS INC.	VARIOUS SUPPLIES	100.23
NMS Labs	CONTRACT SERVICES	125		Amazon Capital Services	Office supplies	178.63
Joshua Garrett	FORENSIC TOXICOLOGY SERVICES	239		Finley, John	Contract Driver	81.13
Adena Health System	reimb for lepc meetings	208.5		Sewards, Randy A	contract driver	619.49
Advance Auto Parts	Drug Testing	290		McGee, Matt	contract driver	147.51
Airgas Great Lakes	Eq. Parts, repairs, etc.	38.79		T-Mobile USA Inc	TELEPHONE	57.83
Iron City Implement	Eq. Parts, repairs, etc.	391.06		Ohio Victim Witness Association	OTHER	100
Chillicothe Steel Co.	Eq. Parts, repairs, etc.	742.55				\$6,910,882.31
Lowe's	Eq. Parts, repairs, etc.	583.9				
Melvin Stone Co.	Eq. Parts, repairs, etc.	81.38				
Menards	Road Materials	384.97				
Ron Evans Enterprises	Eq. Parts, repairs, etc.	33.12				
Ron Evans Enterprises	Road Materials	1896.11				
Ross Auto Parts	Road Materials	408.89				
Old Canal Stop	Eq. Parts, repairs, etc.	10.64				
Pike Co. Recovery Council	Road Materials	175.66				
Cristy's Pizza Inc	OHMAS OTHER	32.5				
Printex Printing	CASA MISC./OTHER EXPENSES	164.85				
Abraxas Ohio	JPD OFFICE SUPPLIES	30				
Carver Community Center	OUT OF HOME PLACEMENTS	10470				
Verizon Wireless	IV-E MISC. EXPENSES	4729				
The Water Express	CELL PHONE EXPENSES	453.97				
Lighthouse Youth Services	WATER SVC @ 14 S. PAINT ST (WATER EXPRESS)	43.75				
Lighthouse Youth Services	LYS DAYTRATMENT DIGITAL	4516.63				
The Water Express	LIGHTHOUSE CJS	4441.22				
Lighthouse Youth Services	JUVENILE MISC/OTHER EXPENSES	25.5				
King, Kristen	LIGHTHOUSE CJS	6250				
Pike Co. Recovery Council	OHMAS CONTRACT	1050				
	ATP MISC. OTHER	1510				

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Glass, yes; Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes. Motion carried.

THEN & NOW CERTIFICATES APPROVED

Mr. Glass moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, the Ross County Board of Commissioners approve "Then & Now" Certificates, dated June 29, 2026 through July 13, 2026, in the amount of \$6,840.36 prepared by the Office of the Ross County Auditor and certified by the auditor as to the appropriation of funds for the purpose of encumbering the sum of the contract(s) or order(s) outlined therein, or the imminent collection of funds for credit to the appropriated fund(s) of the county, and as to the availability of funds for transfer within the appropriate department(s).

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Glass, yes; Mr. Everson, yes. Motion carried.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Glass seconded, to transfer \$1,897.50 from account code 100-00-00-0010 General, into account code 088-06-01-5901 SCOJFS Public Asst., per a request of July 13, 2026 from the Ross County Auditor.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Glass, yes; Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Glass moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, to transfer \$150.00 from account code 100-02-00-7150 Supplies into account code 100-02-00-7551 Remit to State Dept. Tax, per a request of July 13, 2026 from the Ross County Auditor.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Glass, yes; Mr. Everson, yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Glass seconded, to transfer \$6,500.00 from account code 208-02-00-7137 Board of Revision, into account code 208-02-00-7103 Contract Services, per a request of July 13, 2026 from the Ross County Auditor.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Glass, yes; Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Glass moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, to transfer \$2,000.00 from account code 420-18-14-7103 OHMAS Contract Services, into account code 420-18-14-7550 OHMAS Other Expenses per a request of July 13, 2026 from the Ross County Juvenile Court.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Glass, yes; Mr. Everson, yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Glass seconded, to transfer \$28.76 from account code 420-99-40-7103 Contract Services, into account code 420-99-40-7101 Printing and to transfer \$146.05 from account code 420-99-40-7550 Other, into account code 420-99-40-7101 Printing, per a request of July 13, 2026 from the Ross County Prosecutor Victim Witness.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Glass, yes; Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes. Motion carried.

APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS

Mr. Glass moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, to appropriate \$2,000.00 from General Fund into account code 100-01-06-7450 Grants Other, per a request of July 13, 2026 from the Ross County Commissioners.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Glass, yes; Mr. Everson, yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Glass seconded, to appropriate \$1,583,956.00 from M.V. Gas Tax into account code 210-58-66-7204 Contract Projects Twps., per a request of July 13 2026, from the Ross County Engineer.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Glass, yes; Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes. Motion carried.

WHETHER OR NOT REQUEST FOR A HEARING

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Glass seconded not to request a hearing for the transfer of a liquor permit from Gen W. Acord, Acord’s Carryout, 13110 SR 772, Chillicothe OH 45601 to Acord’s County Store LLC , Acord’s County Store, 13110 St. Rt. 772, Chillicothe Ohio 45601.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Glass, yes; Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes. Motion carried.

YELLOWBUD PROPERTY LEASE

Mr. Glass moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, to table a request for a lease between Board of County Commissioners, Ross County, Ohio (“Lessor”), whose address is 2 North Paint Street, Chillicothe, Ohio, and **Michael Wilson** (“Lessee”), whose address is **663 Yellowbud Road**, for two parcels located 644 and 668 Yellowbud Road, for a ten year lease. More information is needed regarding the possibility of selling the property as apposed to leasing.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Glass, yes; Mr. Everson, yes. Motion carried.

PAY APPLICATION 5 STOCKMEISTER ENTERPRISES INC SERVICE CENTER RENOVATION PROJECT

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Glass seconded to approve pay application 5 for Stockmeister Enterprises, Inc. for work done on the Service Center Renovation Project for the amount of \$132,834.30.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Glass, yes; Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION CALLED

Mr. Glass moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, the Ross County Board of Commissioners adjourn into executive session at 8:20am, to discuss certain personnel matters.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Glass, yes; Mr. Everson, yes. Motion carried.

REGULAR SESSION RESUMED

The executive session called at 8:20am was adjourned, and the regular meeting resumed at 8:45 pm. No action was taken.

VANDERMARK LANE SIGHT VIEWING

The Ross County Board of Commissioners, along with the County Engineer, held a public viewing of the site of the proposed vacation as advertised.

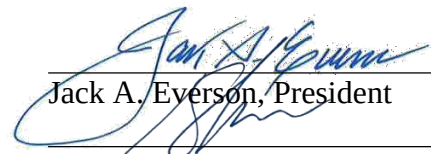
PUBLIC HEARING VACATE PORTION OF VADERMARK LANE

Mr. Lowe opened the public hearing to vacate a portion of Vandermark Lane at 1:45 pm, to hear arguments for and against the proposed vacation. Mr. Dailey, Attorney Mike Schlegel, County Engineer Ortman, and Assistant Prosecutor Chase Carter were in attendance for the hearing. The Commissioners did not rule on the request to vacate Vandermark Lane. The consensus was to allow the two landowners to try to come to an agreeable solution that does not require vacation of a township road.

OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURN

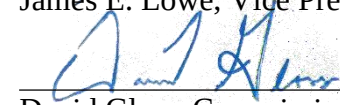
Mr. Jack A. Everson, President, adjourned the regular meeting of July 13, 2026, at 2:30, Board of Commissioners of Ross County, Ohio



Jack A. Everson, President



James E. Lowe, Vice President



David Glass, Commissioner