



Board of County Commissioners Regular Meeting

Lisa A. Sobecki, President
Pete Gerken
Anita Lopez

September 16, 2025 - 11:00 AM
Commissioners' Hearing Room
1st Floor, One Government Center
Toledo, OH 43604

MINUTES

Pledge of Allegiance - Escuela SMART Academy, Fourth Graders

Call to Order

Commissioner Sobecki called the meeting to order at 11:00 AM. Commissioners Sobecki, Gerken, and Lopez were present.

Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

The previous meeting's minutes were approved.

Hearing

Commissioner Sobecki opened the hearing at 11:02 a.m. and stated that the purpose of the hearing was for an annexation of a portion of Sylvania Township to the city of Sylvania. Per the Ohio Revised Code, the legal notice for this public hearing was published by the Agent for the petitioners on September 4, 2025 in the Toledo Blade; affidavit of publication was provided by the agent and is attached to item #1 on agenda viewer along with the Engineer's Report and the full proceedings.

1. - Hearing for Annexation Petition No. 2025-2, Portion of Sylvania Township to the City of Sylvania – Parcel No. 78-06791

Leslie Brinning, agent for the petitioners, was present and offered testimony.

John Borell was present and reported on his findings.

Commissioner Sobecki closed the hearing at 11:05 a.m.

Commissioners

2. - Approval of Annexation Petition No. 2025-2, Portion of Sylvania Township to the City of Sylvania – Parcel No. 78-06791

Resolution No. 2025-676

Commissioner Gerken moved to approve; Commissioners Gerken, Sobecki and Lopez voted yes.

3. - Proclaiming September 15th Through October 15th as Hispanic Heritage Month

Resolution No. 2025-677

Commissioner Lopez moved to approve; Commissioners Lopez, Sobecki, and Gerken voted yes.

Presentation

4. - Recognizing Chief Daniel Brown-Martinez for His Contributions to Government During the Lucas County Commissioner Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration
Chief Daniel Brown-Martinez was present and offered comments
5. - Recognizing Jose Rosales for His Contributions to Education During the Lucas County Commissioner Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration.
Jose Rosales was present and offered comments.
6. - Recognizing Nichole Beltran for Her Contributions to Business During the Lucas County Commissioner Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration.
Nichole Beltran was present and offered comments.
7. - Recognizing Nalix Otero for Her Contributions to Community Advocacy During the Lucas County Commissioner Hispanic Heritage Celebration.
Nalix Otero was present and offered comments.
8. - Honoring Stefanie Reed's Retirement
Asha Barnes and Stepohanie Reed were present and offered comments.

Commissioners

Micheal Hart was present and offered the following for approval:

9. - Approval of the Lucas County Responsible Contractor Policy

Resolution No. 2025-678

Commissioner Sobecki moved to approve; Commissioners Sobecki, Lopez and Gerken voted yes.

Sheriff

10. - Approval to Exercise the Second Renewal Option and Amend the Price Per Meal for Food Service Agreement with Aramark Correctional Services

Lindsay Szymczak was present and requested approval for:

Resolution No. 2025-679

Commissioner Gerken moved to approve; Commissioners Gerken, Sobecki and Lopez voted yes.

11. - Approval to Exercise the First (1st) of Two (2) Five-Year Renewal Options of the License Agreement with the Toledo Port Authority for the One Government Center Tower Site

Frank Cody was present and requested approval for:

Resolution No. 2025-680

Commissioner Lopez moved to approve; Commissioners Lopez, Sobecki, and Gerken voted yes.

County Engineer

Mike Pniewski was present and offered the following for approval:

12. - Approval of Quit Claim Deed and Conveyance of Property to the Metropolitan Parks District of the Toledo Area for the Monclova Road & Wilkins Road Roundabout Project, PID 116687

Resolution No. 2025-681

13. - Approval of Joint Cooperation Agreement with the Board of Spencer Township Trustees for Allocation of Stormwater Utility Funds for Calendar Years 2026 through 2031

Resolution No. 2025-682

Commissioner Lopez moved to approve; Commissioners Lopez, Sobecki, and Gerken voted yes.

Prosecutor

John Borell was present and offered the following for approval:

14. - Authorizing the Extension of the Contract for Legal Services with Outdoor Sylvania Community Park District

Resolution No. 2025-683

15. - Amending the Agreement for Legal Services between the Board of Lucas County Commissioners and the Lucas County 9-1-1 Regional Council of Governments

Resolution No. 2025-684

Commissioner Sobecki moved to approve; Commissioners Sobecki, Lopez and Gerken voted yes.

Juvenile Court

Emily Simpson was present and offered the following for approval:

16. - Approval of Memorandum of Understanding between the Lucas County Board of Commissioners, Lucas County Juvenile Court and the Zepf Center for the Youth Runaway Shelter, Safety Net

Resolution No. 2025-685

Commissioner Lopez moved to approve; Commissioners Lopez, Sobecki, and Gerken voted yes.

Family Council

Jessica Ford was present and offered the following for approval:

17. - Authorization to Enter an SFY 2026, Pooled Funding Agreement, with the Specified Contributing Agencies, to Receive Funds for the Purpose of Funding Lucas County Intersystem Care Coordination

Resolution No. 2025-686

Commissioner Sobecki moved to approve; Commissioners Sobecki, Lopez and Gerken voted yes.

Canine Care & Control

David Blyth was present and offered the following for approval:

18. - Permission to Waive Impound Fees for Dogs Reclaimed Between October 4-8, 2025

Resolution No. 2025-687

Commissioner Sobecki moved to approve; Commissioners Sobecki, Lopez and Gerken voted yes.

Facilities

Jeff Nowak was present and offered the following for approval:

19. - Permission to Enter into Contract with Buehrer Group Architecture and Engineering for Professional Design Services for the Remediation of Subsurface Moisture Intrusion at the Lucas County Corrections Center, 1622 Spielbusch Avenue, Toledo, Ohio 43604

Resolution No. 2025-688

Commissioner Gerken moved to approve; Commissioners Gerken, Sobecki and Lopez voted yes.

Risk Management

Diane Robinson was present and offered the following for approval:

20. - Amending the Agreement for Risk Management Services between the Lucas County Commissioners and the Lucas County 9-1-1 Regional Council of Governments

Resolution No. 2025-689

Commissioner Gerken moved to approve; Commissioners Gerken, Sobecki and Lopez voted yes.

Water Resource Recovery Facility

Nate Inkrott was present and offered the following for approval:

21. - Permission to Advertise for an Invitation to Bid for a Supplier to provide Liquid Cationic Polymer for the Lucas County Water Resource Recovery Facility

Resolution No. 2025-690

Commissioner Lopez moved to approve; Commissioners Lopez, Sobecki, and Gerken voted yes.

Administration

22. - Authorization for the Board of Lucas County Commissioners to Enter into a Joint Cooperating Agreement with the City of Toledo, the Lucas County Engineer, and Metroparks Toledo for the Resurfacing of the University/Parks Trail, and to Execute the Corresponding Ohio Department of Transportation Local Project Agreement (PID 124339)

Ben Pushka was present and requested approval for:

Resolution No. 2025-691

Commissioner Lopez moved to approve; Commissioners Lopez, Sobecki, and Gerken voted yes.

23. - Permission to Advertise the Application for Domestic Violence Shelter Providers

Jessica Ford requested approval for:

Resolution No. 2025-692

Commissioner Sobecki moved to approve; Commissioners Sobecki, Lopez and Gerken voted yes.

Executive Session

Trent Burner was present and requested executive session to discuss personnel matters related to appointments and collective bargaining.

Commissioner Sobecki made a motion to enter into executive session at 12:16 p.m.

Commissioner Sobecki, Gerken, and Lopez voted yes.

Commissioner Sobecki made a motion to exit executive session at 1:39 p.m.

Commissioner Sobecki, Gerke, and Lopez voted yes.

There were no actionable items.

Adjournment

The Board adjourned their meeting at 1:40 p.m.



Justin L. Richmond, Deputy Clerk

The next open meeting will be held on September 23, 2025 at 11:00 AM in the Commissioners' Hearing Room, 1st Floor, One Government Center, Toledo, Ohio.

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