

St. Clairsville, Ohio

September 30, 2026

The Board of Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio, met this day in regular session. Present: Jerry Echemann, Vince Gianangeli and J. P. Dutton, Commissioners and Bonnie Zuzak, Clerk of the Board.

**MEETINGS ARE NOW BEING RECORDED**  
**ALL DISCUSSIONS ARE SUMMARIZED. FOR COMPLETE PROCEEDINGS**  
**PLEASE SEE CORRESPONDING CD FOR THIS MEETING DAY.**

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING RECAPITULATION**  
**OF VOUCHERS FOR THE VARIOUS FUNDS**

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Gianangeli to approve and sign all bills that have been certified in the Auditor's office and considered by the Board. It is hereby ordered that the County Auditor issue her warrant on the County Treasurer in payment of the bills allowed:

**IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$719,567.53**

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

|                |     |
|----------------|-----|
| Mr. Echemann   | Yes |
| Mr. Gianangeli | Yes |
| Mr. Dutton     | Yes |

**IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFERS WITHIN FUND**

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Gianangeli to approve the following transfers within fund for the following funds:

**8830 BELMONT COUNTY PORT AUTHORITY**

| FROM                                     | TO                                 | AMOUNT      |
|------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------|
| 8830-930-55-525500 Professional Services | 8830-930-55-510101 Salary          | \$17,000.00 |
| 8830-930-55-525500 Professional Services | 8830-930-55-510225 Hospitalization | \$1,045.00  |
| 8830-930-55-525500 Professional Services | 8830-930-55-510210 Medicare        | \$600.00    |
| 8830-930-55-525500 Professional Services | 8830-930-55-510201 PERS            | \$2,585.00  |

**1000-GENERAL FUND**

| TO                                       | AMOUNT      |
|------------------------------------------|-------------|
| 1000-150-30-510103 Salary Employees-Poll | \$70,000.00 |

**5437-WATER WORKS FUND**

| TO                               | AMOUNT       |
|----------------------------------|--------------|
| 5437-430-41-560000 Transfers Out | \$200,000.00 |

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

|                |     |
|----------------|-----|
| Mr. Echemann   | Yes |
| Mr. Gianangeli | Yes |
| Mr. Dutton     | Yes |

**IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS**

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Gianangeli to approve the following transfers between funds as follows:

**8002 MUNICIPAL AUTO LICENSE AND 8008 CORPORATION**

| FROM                             | TO                              | AMOUNT      |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|
| 8002-938-18-423000 Transfers Out | 8008-930-50-535047 Transfers In | \$35,000.00 |

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

|                |     |
|----------------|-----|
| Mr. Echemann   | Yes |
| Mr. Gianangeli | Yes |
| Mr. Dutton     | Yes |

**IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS**

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Gianangeli to make the following additional appropriations, in accordance with the Official Certificate of Estimated Resources as approved by the Budget Commission, under the following certification date:

**\*JANUARY 6, 2026\***

**2102 ARP ST. & LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY**

|                    |                   |              |
|--------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| 2102-110-30-525002 | Contract Services | \$106,434.25 |
|--------------------|-------------------|--------------|

**\*FEBRUARY 17, 2026**

**4830 BLACK HORSE INN PROJECT**

|                    |                          |             |
|--------------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| 4830-930-40-530000 | Construction-Ross County | \$10,973.00 |
|--------------------|--------------------------|-------------|

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

|                |     |
|----------------|-----|
| Mr. Echemann   | Yes |
| Mr. Gianangeli | Yes |
| Mr. Dutton     | Yes |

**IN THE MATTER OF GRANTING PERMISSION**  
**FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES TO TRAVEL**

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Gianangeli granting permission for county employees to travel as follows:

DJFS-Mike Schlantz to Cambridge, OH, on September 30, 2026, to attend the Jobs Ohio Concierge. A county vehicle will be used for travel.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

|                |     |
|----------------|-----|
| Mr. Echemann   | Yes |
| Mr. Gianangeli | Yes |
| Mr. Dutton     | Yes |

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING MINUTES OF REGULAR**  
**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING**

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Gianangeli to approve the minutes of the Belmont County Board of Commissioners regular meeting of September 23, 2026.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

|                |     |
|----------------|-----|
| Mr. Echemann   | Yes |
| Mr. Gianangeli | Yes |
| Mr. Dutton     | Yes |

**IN THE MATTER OF ACCEPTING THE RETIREMENT OF TERRY SHEPHERD,**  
**FULL-TIME NON-EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION DRIVER/SSOBC**

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Gianangeli to accept the retirement of Terry Shepherd, full-time Non-Emergency Medical Transportation Driver for Senior Services of Belmont County, effective November 3, 2026.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

|                |     |
|----------------|-----|
| Mr. Echemann   | Yes |
| Mr. Gianangeli | Yes |
| Mr. Dutton     | Yes |

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING APPOINTMENT TO THE BELMONT COUNTY PORT AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Gianangeli to approve the appointment of Mr. Michael Derosa to the Belmont County Port Authority Board effective immediately through April 25, 2029, to fill the unexpired term of Ms. Jackee Pugh, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 4582.03.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

|                |     |
|----------------|-----|
| Mr. Echemann   | Yes |
| Mr. Gianangeli | Yes |
| Mr. Dutton     | Yes |

**IN THE MATTER OF ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL FROM TC ARCHITECTS/ANIMAL SHELTER**

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Gianangeli to accept the proposal from TC Architects, in the amount of \$5,800.00, to provide Interior Design Services for the new animal shelter.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

|                |     |
|----------------|-----|
| Mr. Echemann   | Yes |
| Mr. Gianangeli | Yes |
| Mr. Dutton     | Yes |

**IN THE MATTER OF ACCEPTING QUOTE FROM ULINE/RECORDS CENTER**

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Gianangeli to accept the quote from Uline, in the amount of \$1,924,23, for two work platforms for the Belmont County Records Center.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

|                |     |
|----------------|-----|
| Mr. Echemann   | Yes |
| Mr. Gianangeli | Yes |
| Mr. Dutton     | Yes |

**IN THE MATTER OF ADOPTING THE RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR**

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR (BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS)**

**Rev. Code, Secs. 5705.34, .35**

The Board of County Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio, met in regular session on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2026, at the office of the Belmont County Commissioners with the following members present:

Mr. Echemann  
Mr. Gianangeli  
Mr. Dutton

Mr. Echemann moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

**WHEREAS**, this Board of County Commissioners in accordance with the provisions of law has previously adopted a Tax Budget for the next succeeding fiscal year commencing January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2027; and

**WHEREAS**, the Budget Commission of Belmont County, Ohio, has certified its action thereon to this Board together with an estimate by the County Auditor of the rate of each tax necessary to be levied by this Board, and what part thereof is without, and what part within, the ten mill tax limitation; therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, By the Board of County Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio, that the amounts and rates, as determined by the Budget Commission in its certification, be and the same are hereby accepted; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, That there be and is hereby levied on the tax duplicate of said County the rate of each tax necessary to be levied within and without the ten mill limitation as follows:

**SCHEDULE A**

**SUMMARY OF AMOUNTS REQUIRED FROM GENERAL PROPERTY TAX APPROVED BY BUDGET COMMISSION, AND COUNTY AUDITOR’S ESTIMATED TAX RATES**

| FUND                                    | Amount<br>Approved by<br>Budget Com-<br>Mission Inside<br>10 M. Limitation | Amount to be<br>Derived From<br>Levies Outside<br>10 M. Limitation | County Auditor’s<br>Estimate of Tax<br>Rate to be Levied |                           |
|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
|                                         |                                                                            |                                                                    | Inside<br>10 M.<br>Limit                                 | Outside<br>10 M.<br>Limit |
|                                         |                                                                            |                                                                    |                                                          |                           |
| A. General Fund                         | \$5,438,579.19                                                             |                                                                    | 2.30                                                     |                           |
| D. Children Service Fund                |                                                                            | 1,064,069.84                                                       |                                                          | .45                       |
| E. Children Service Fund                |                                                                            |                                                                    |                                                          |                           |
| O. Mental Health Fund                   |                                                                            | 2,354,243.38                                                       |                                                          | 1.25                      |
| Q. Developmental Disabilities<br>(MRDD) |                                                                            | 1,257,514.53                                                       |                                                          | 1.00                      |
| Q. Developmental Disabilities<br>(MRDD) |                                                                            | 2,670,481.35                                                       |                                                          | 2.00                      |
| Q. Developmental Disabilities<br>(MRDD) |                                                                            | 2,002,860.77                                                       |                                                          | 1.50                      |
| Q. Developmental Disabilities<br>(MRDD) |                                                                            | 3,727,605.49                                                       |                                                          | 2.50                      |
| Q. Senior Services                      |                                                                            | 1,806,332.90                                                       |                                                          | 1.00                      |

|                                                                 |                |                 |      |       |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|------|-------|
| Q.Senior Services                                               |                | 2,709,498.46    |      | 1.50  |
| Q.Road Construction Funds                                       |                |                 |      |       |
| Q. Other-Misc. Construction Funds                               |                |                 |      |       |
| S. Relief/Welfare Special Levy Funds                            |                |                 |      |       |
| S. Child Welfare Services Special Levy Funds- Children Services |                |                 |      |       |
| S. Mental Health Special Levy Funds                             |                |                 |      |       |
| S. Airports and Commerce Special Levy Funds                     |                |                 |      |       |
| S. Special Levy Funds- Senior Citizens                          |                |                 |      |       |
| S. Other-Miscellaneous Special Levy Funds-MRDD                  |                |                 |      |       |
| S. Other Miscellaneous-911 Upgrade                              |                | 1,611,307.35    |      | 0.75  |
| Total                                                           | \$5,438,579.19 | \$19,203,914.07 | 2.30 | 11.95 |

SCHEDULE B  
LEVIES OUTSIDE 10 MILL LIMITATION, EXCLUSIVE OF DEBT LEVIES

| FUND                                                              |    |                         |          | Maximum Rate Authorized To Be Levied | County Auditor's Estimate of Yield of Levy (Carry to Schedule A, Column II) |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|----|-------------------------|----------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| GENERAL FUND: YEAR                                                |    |                         |          |                                      |                                                                             |
| Current expense levy authorized by voters on Not to exceed Years. |    |                         |          |                                      |                                                                             |
| Current expense levy authorized by voters on Not to exceed Years  |    |                         |          |                                      |                                                                             |
| Current expense levy authorized by voters on Not to exceed Years  |    |                         |          |                                      |                                                                             |
| Current expense levy authorized by voters on Not to exceed Years  |    |                         |          |                                      |                                                                             |
| TOTAL GENERAL FUND OUTSIDE 10 M. LIMITATION                       |    |                         |          |                                      |                                                                             |
|                                                                   |    |                         |          |                                      |                                                                             |
| SPECIAL LEVY FUNDS:                                               |    |                         |          |                                      |                                                                             |
| Levy authorized by voters on not to exceed                        | 10 | Mental Health Years     | 11/03/15 | 1.25                                 | 2,354,243.38                                                                |
| Levy authorized by voters on not to exceed                        | 10 | Children Services Years | 11/05/25 | .45                                  | 1,064,069.84                                                                |
| Levy authorized by voters on not to exceed                        | 10 | Children Services Years | 11/03/15 |                                      |                                                                             |
| Levy authorized by voters on not to exceed                        | 5  | Senior Services Years   | 11/02/21 | 1.00                                 | 1,806,332.90                                                                |
| Levy authorized by voters on not to exceed                        | 5  | Senior Services Years   | 11/08/22 | 1.50                                 | 2,709,498.46                                                                |
| Levy authorized by voters on not to exceed                        |    | MRDD Continuous Years   | 11/04/80 | 1.00                                 | 1,257,514.53                                                                |
| Levy authorized by voters on not to exceed                        |    | MRDD Continuous Years   | 05/07/85 | 2.00                                 | 2,670,481.35                                                                |
| Levy authorized by voters on not to exceed                        |    | MRDD Continuous Years   | 11/04/86 | 1.50                                 | 2,002,860.77                                                                |
| Levy authorized by voters on not to exceed                        |    | MRDD Continuous Years   | 05/04/99 | 2.50                                 | 3,727,605.49                                                                |
| Levy authorized by voters on not to exceed                        | 5  | 911 Upgrade Years       | 11/02/21 | 0.75                                 | 1,611,307.35                                                                |
|                                                                   |    |                         |          | 11.95                                | 19,203,914.07                                                               |

And be it further  
**RESOLVED**, That the Clerk of this Board be and she is hereby directed to certify a copy of this Resolution to the County Auditor of said County.  
Mr. Gianangeli seconded the Resolution and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:  
Mr. Echemann , Yes  
Mr. Gianangeli, Yes  
Mr. Dutton , Yes

Adopted the 30<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2026  
Year.

Bonnie Zuzak /s/

Bonnie Zuzak  
Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners of  
Belmont County, Ohio.

*Note: This action is necessary annually as part of the budgetary process. The board is accepting the County Auditor's estimates of revenues to be generated by the tax levies for fiscal year 2027.*

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

|                |     |
|----------------|-----|
| Mr. Echemann   | Yes |
| Mr. Gianangeli | Yes |
| Mr. Dutton     | Yes |

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING CHANGE ORDERS FROM  
GRAE-CON CONSTRUCTION, INC/RECORDS AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT BUILDING**

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Gianangeli to approve the following Change Orders from Grae-Con Construction, Inc., for the Records Building and Health Department Building Project:

- Change Order No. 25, in the increased amount of \$11,550.00, for additional work related to the furnishment and installation of bollards at the generator required by the State Fire Marshall.
- Change Order No. 26, in the increased amount of 4,053.00 for additional work related to the placement of sandstone in desired locations.

*Note: New contract total is \$16,248,957.11.*

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| <div>General Contractor Change Order Form</div> <div>CHANGE ORDER NO. 25</div>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                          |
| Project Name: Records Building and Health Department Building Project (the "Project")                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                          |
| Source document(s) and # (RFI, Bulletin, Shop Drawing Review): Proposed Change Order 32 attached hereto as <b>Exhibit A</b> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | This Change Order is effective as of the date of execution by the Owner. |
| Owner: Board of Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | General Contractor (Contractor): Grae-Con Construction, Inc.             |
| Architect: Mills Group, LLC                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                          |
| <div>Description/Justification (Add more pages or attach scope detail if necessary)</div> <p>This Change Order addresses the additional work related to the furnishment and installation of bollards at the generator as required by the State Fire Marshal.as set forth in <b>Exhibit A</b>. Accordingly, the Contract Sum is increased by \$11,550.00.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                          |
| Original Contract Sum                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | \$10,694,075.00                                                          |
| Net Change by Previous Change Orders                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | \$5,539,279.11                                                           |
| This Change Order Increase/Decrease (clearly indicate)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | \$11,550.00                                                              |
| New Contract Sum                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | \$16,244,904.11                                                          |
| <div>Revised Contract Time (critical path only)</div> <p>Original Substantial Completion Date or Duration: within <b>545 calendar days</b> of the Date of Commencement</p> <p>Previous Adjustments by Change Order(s) <u>146</u> (calendar days)</p> <p>This Change Order <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ADD or <input type="checkbox"/> DEDUCT <u>0</u> (calendar days)</p> <p>Revised Substantial Completion Date or Duration: within <u>691</u> calendar days of the Date of Commencement</p> <p>If applicable, revised Final Completion Date or Duration: <u>N/A</u></p> |                                                                          |

The compensation, Contract Sum adjustment, or time extension provided by this Change Order constitutes full and complete satisfaction for all direct and indirect costs, cumulative impact, if any, and interest related thereto, which has been or may be incurred in connection with alleged changes to the Work or alleged schedule impacts for all portions and phases of the Project through the date of the change order. To the extent any attachment(s) hereto are inconsistent with this provision, this provision and Section 7.2.3 of the modified AIA-A201 General Conditions of the Contract for Construction shall control.

By executing this Change Order, Owner and Contractor agree to modify the Agreement's Scope of Work, Contract Sum, and/or Contract Time as stated above. Upon execution, this Change Order becomes a Contract Document.

CONTRACTOR:

By: Cameron McIntosh  
Printed  
Name: Cameron McIntosh  
Title: Project Manager  
Date: 9/24/26

ARCHITECT:

By: Christopher J. Clark  
Printed  
Name: Christopher J. Clark  
Title: Principal  
Date: September 24, 2026

OWNER:

By: Jerry Echemann x Vince Gianangeli x OPDA  
Printed  
Name: Jerry Echemann Vince Gianangeli J. P. Dutton  
Title: BELMONT Co. COMMISSIONERS  
Date: 9/30/26

CERTIFICATE OF FUNDS  
(ORC Section 5705.41)

The undersigned, Fiscal Officer of the Owner, hereby certifies in connection with the Agreement to which this Certificate is attached that the amount required to meet the obligations under the contract, obligation, or expenditure for the services described in the attached agreement, has been lawfully appropriated for the purpose, and is in the treasury or in process of collection to the credit of an appropriate fund, free from any outstanding obligation or encumbrance.

Dated: 10/11/2026  
Cindee S. Henry JD  
Fiscal Officer

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| <div>General Contractor Change Order Form</div> <div>CHANGE ORDER NO. 26</div>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                          |
| Project Name: Records Building and Health Department Building Project (the "Project")                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                          |
| Source document(s) and # (RFI, Bulletin, Shop Drawing Review): Proposed Change Order 33 attached hereto as <b>Exhibit A</b> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | This Change Order is effective as of the date of execution by the Owner. |
| Owner: Board of Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | General Contractor (Contractor): Grae-Con Construction, Inc.             |
| Architect: Mills Group, LLC                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                          |
| <div>Description/Justification (Add more pages or attach scope detail if necessary)</div> <p>This Change Order addresses the additional work related to the placement of sandstone in desired locations as set forth in <b>Exhibit A</b>. Accordingly, the Contract Sum is increased by \$4,053.00.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                          |
| Original Contract Sum                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | \$10,694,075.00                                                          |
| Net Change by Previous Change Orders                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | \$5,550,829.11                                                           |
| This Change Order Increase/Decrease (clearly indicate)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | \$4,053.00                                                               |
| New Contract Sum                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | \$16,248,957.11                                                          |
| <div>Revised Contract Time (critical path only)</div> <p>Original Substantial Completion Date or Duration: within <b>545 calendar days</b> of the Date of Commencement</p> <p>Previous Adjustments by Change Order(s) <u>146</u> (calendar days)</p> <p>This Change Order <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ADD or <input type="checkbox"/> DEDUCT <u>0</u> (calendar days)</p> <p>Revised Substantial Completion Date or Duration: within <u>691</u> calendar days of the Date of Commencement</p> <p>If applicable, revised Final Completion Date or Duration: <u>N/A</u></p> |                                                                          |

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Dated: 10/01/26  
Cicci S Henry JD  
Fiscal Officer

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

|                |     |
|----------------|-----|
| Mr. Echemann   | Yes |
| Mr. Gianangeli | Yes |
| Mr. Dutton     | Yes |

**AGREEMENT WITH JORDAN’S WAY LLC/ANIMAL SHELTER**

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Gianangeli to enter into a General Service Agreement with Jordan’s Way LLC, on behalf of the Belmont County Animal Shelter, to facilitate a LIVE on-site fundraiser on October 6, 2026.  
*Note: Jordan’s Way will receive 30% of the proceeds raised from the fundraiser.*



**GENERAL SERVICE AGREEMENT**

**NONPROFIT**

**PROFESSIONAL FUNDRAISER**

**BELMONT COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER**

45244 National Rd West  
Saint Clairsville, OH 43950  
(740) 851-1611

**(the “Client”)**

**JORDAN'S WAY, LLC.**

510 Harbor Grove Circle  
Safety Harbor, FL 34695  
(727) 735-1093

**(the “Contractor”)**

**IN CONSIDERATION OF** the matters described above and of the mutual benefits and obligations set forth in this agreement, the receipt and sufficiency of which consideration is hereby acknowledged, the Client and the Contract (individually the “Party” and collectively the “Parties” to this Agreement) agree as follows:

**SERVICES PROVIDED**

Jordan’s Way, LLC. travels to Animal Shelters and Rescues across 50 States, annually, raising money and awareness for shelters and rescues.

We host LIVE 3-Hour Facebook Fundraisers for each shelter/rescue we visit, consisting of high energy games and challenges. Each shelter/rescue decide which games and challenges they would like to participate in. During the LIVE Facebook fundraiser, the shelter/rescue networks with the help of Jordan’s Way, LLC. to the local community to raise donations for the shelter/rescue.

Jordan’s Way, LLC. does not handle or have access to any of the monies raised during each fundraiser. All donations are sent directly to the shelter/rescue.

Our goal is to raise awareness and assistance for shelters across the nation to provide exposure and recognition to the animals in these situations that get overlooked and forgotten! We know there is a home for EVERY animal in EVERY shelter across the country!

The Client hereby agrees to engage the Contractor to provide the Client with the following service:

- Facilitate a LIVE 3-Hour Facebook Fundraiser event for **BELMONT COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER** on **TUESDAY, 10/6/2026 from 10AM - 1PM**
- Fundraising Goal Set at \$15,000

**CAPACITY/INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR**

In providing the services under this agreement, it is expressly agreed that the Contractor is acting as an independent contractor and not as an employee. The Contractor and the Client acknowledge that this Agreement does not create a partnership or joint venture between them and is exclusively a contract for service. The Client is not required to pay, or many any contributions to, any social security, local, state or federal tax, unemployment compensation, workers’ compensation, insurance premium, profit-sharing, pension or any other employee benefit for the Contractor during the Term. The Contractor is responsible for paying, and complying with reporting requirements for, all local, state and federal taxes related to

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payments made to the Contractor under this Agreement.

NOTICE

All notices, requests, demands or other communications required or permitted by the terms of this agreement will be given in writing and delivered to the parties at the following addresses:

- **BELMONT COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER**  
45244 National Rd West  
Saint Clairsville, OH 43950  
Lisa Duvall: [belmontcountyanimalshelter@co.belmont.oh.us](mailto:belmontcountyanimalshelter@co.belmont.oh.us)
- **JORDAN'S WAY, LLC.**  
510 Harbor Grove Circle  
Safety Harbor, FL 34695  
Kris Rotonda: [kristopherrotonda@gmail.com](mailto:kristopherrotonda@gmail.com)

or to such other address as either party may from time-to-time notify the other, and will be deemed to be properly delivered (a) immediately upon being served personally, (b)two days after being deposited with the postal service if served by registered mail, or (c)the following day after being deposited with an overnight courier.

TERM OF AGREEMENT

The term of this Agreement will begin on the date of this agreement and will remain in full force and effect until the completion of services, subject to earlier termination as provided in this agreement. The term may be extended with the written consent of the parties.

This Agreement is made and entered into effective this **23rd day of September 2026** (the "Effective Date"), by and between **JORDAN'S WAY, LLC.**, whose principal address is **510 Harbor Grove Circle, Safety Harbor, FL 34695** and **BELMONT COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER** whose principal address is **45244 National Rd West, Saint Clairsville, OH 43950**.

IDENTIFICATION OF PARTIES TO AGREEMENT

- 1. Shelter/Rescue is a nonprofit public benefit corporation formed and operated for charitable purposes.
- 2. **JORDAN'S WAY, LLC.** is a for-profit corporation engaged in the business of commercial fundraising for charitable purpose.
- 3. Subject to the terms of this Agreement, Shelter/Rescue desires to engage the services of **JORDAN'S WAY, LLC.** and **JORDAN'S WAY, LLC.** desires to engage in fundraising activities on behalf of Shelter/Rescue.

DESCRIBING THE TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT

- 1. Term of agreement. This Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date hereof and shall continue until **10/13/2026** unless terminated prior thereto in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.
- 2. Cancellation of Agreement
  - (a) Shelter/Rescue shall have the right to cancel Agreement without cost, penalty or liability for a period of ten days following the date of execution, by serving a written notice of cancellation on **JORDAN'S WAY, LLC.** The notice shall be sufficient if it indicates that Shelter/Rescue does not intend to be bound by Agreement.

Any funds collected after effective notice that Agreement has been canceled shall

GiveButter, Zeffy, Website) the donations will be deposited directly into the accounts set up by them. **JORDAN'S WAY, LLC. will not have access to any of the donations received.**

7. Compensation of fundraiser.
- a. The shelter/rescue will receive the invoice from **JORDAN'S WAY, LLC.** 48-hours after the LIVE event ends. The invoice is due and payable in full, within 30 days of the date on the invoice.
  - b. Shelter/Rescue will remit to Jordan's Way, LLC. 30% of the proceeds raised from the time the Facebook Fundraiser is launched, through the 3-hour LIVE Facebook event, to 48-hours after the LIVE event ends. This includes all public/private donations, match donations from any source, including funds that come in from other Social Media platforms as a direct result of the fundraiser.
  - c. The \$300 initial deposit is separate and not included in the split. The deposit is non-refundable. If your event is cancelled through no fault of your own, we will return your deposit.

**SIGNATURE AND DATE**

The parties hereby agree to the terms and conditions set forth in this agreement and such demonstrated by their signature below:

**CLIENT**

Name: **J.P. Dutton**

Signature: 

Date: 9/30/26

**CLIENT**

Name: **Jerry Echemann**

Signature: 

Date: 9/30/26

**CLIENT**

Name: **Vince Gianangeli**

Signature: 

Date: 9/30/26

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

|                |     |
|----------------|-----|
| Mr. Echemann   | Yes |
| Mr. Gianangeli | Yes |
| Mr. Dutton     | Yes |

**COUNTY EMPLOYEE BENEFITS CONSORTIUM OF OHIO (CEBCO)-**  
**ANTHEM BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD FOR BELMONT COUNTY EMPLOYEES**

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Gianangeli to adopt the resolution to renew with the County Employee Benefits Consortium of Ohio (CEBCO) - Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield for Belmont County Employees, effective January 1, 2027 to December 31, 2027 as follows:

- Health and Prescription Insurance Carrier
- Delta Dental
- VSP Vision

**Belmont County Employees Employee Benefits- Renewal Resolution**  
September 14, 2026

Motion made by Commissioner Echemann, seconded by Commissioner Gianangeli to adopt the following resolution:  
Be it resolved, that the Belmont County Commission has made the following decisions pertaining to the 01/01/2027 insurance renewals of their employee benefits package:

- 1) The Belmont County Commission has decided to keep their current plan design at \$1,000 deductible with CEBCO- Anthem BCBS as the health insurance and Carelton Pharmacy as their prescription insurance carrier for Belmont County Employees. The HDHP plan will stay the same to align with IRS requirements to remain H.S.A. qualified at \$3,500/\$7,000.  
The premiums will be as follows:  
**PPO Plan “A”: Single \$1,087.12 | Family \$2,865.62**  
**HDHP Plan “B”: Single: \$1,031.42 | Family \$2,709.82**
- 2) The Belmont County Commission has decided the Health Savings Account contribution will remain the difference between the PPO and HDHP premiums charged to the county.  
The monthly HSA contribution will be as follows:  
**Single \$88.70 | Family \$233.05**
- 3) The Belmont County Commission has decided to renew the current dental plan with Delta Dental.  
The premiums will be as follows:  
**Single \$19.52 | Family \$53.29**
- 4) The Belmont County Commission has decided to renew with the current vision plan with VSP.  
The premiums will remain as follows:  
**Single \$7.59 | Family \$14.76**The Belmont County Commission has decided to continue the \$50/month spousal surcharge for spouses remaining on the plan when coverage is available at their place of employment.
- 5) The Belmont County Commission has decided to continue the Flexible Spending Account. The 2027 annual maximum contribution limit the employee can contribute is \$3,500.

**Signed by the Commissioners on**  
**Jerry Echemann, President**  
**Vince Gianangeli, Vice-President**  
**J. P. Dutton, Commissioner**

**September 30, 2026**  
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*Jerry Echemann /s/*  
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*Vince Gianangeli /s/*  
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*J. P. Dutton /s/*

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

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|----------------|-----|
| Mr. Echemann   | Yes |
| Mr. Gianangeli | Yes |
| Mr. Dutton     | Yes |

**RECESS**

**2026 State Science Day Resolution**

Present: Allison Parsons, East Richland Christian School Teacher, Jennifer Gooch, East Richland Christian School Guidance Counselor and students Levi Bratton, Emily Brown, Hope Carrel, Madeline Connor, Asher Klotz, Ruth Miller, Brantley Porterfield, Jett Parsons, Caleb Gooch, Charles Gooch, Amos Miller, Jackson Parsons, Grayson Drewitt, Trent King and family members.

Ms. Parson said the students spend two months researching and doing experiments on their projects. The projects are first presented at the school with outside judges before moving on to the region at Belmont College. If a student receives a superior rating they move on to state. Sixteen students in grades 5-9 from East Richland Christian School went on to the state level. 5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> grade students is required to participate, after that it is optional.

**IN THE MATTER OF ADOPTING THE RESOLUTION**  
**IN RECOGNITION OF THE 2026 STATE SCIENCE DAY PARTICIPANTS**

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Meyer to adopt the resolution in recognition of the 2026 State Science Day Participants.

**RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF**  
**STATE SCIENCE DAY PARTICIPANTS**

**WHEREAS**, for 77 years, State Science Day has been the pinnacle of academic achievement for students pursuing inquiry-based scientific research and engineering design; and

**WHEREAS**, this spring, 700 STEM scholars in grades 5-12 competed for nearly \$400,000 in sponsored scholarships and awards. The State Science Day is the academic equivalent of a State Athletic championship and is the largest event of its kind in the nation for students in grades 5-12 using “STEM” (science, technology, engineering, and mathematic) research, while also incorporating their communication skills; and

**WHEREAS**, STEM is the core of our country’s economic future. Students who study science technology, engineering and mathematics today are identified as critical to our nation’s future; and

**WHEREAS**, the Belmont County Board of Commissioners does hereby recognize and publicly congratulates (Levi Bratton, Emily Brown, Hope Carrel, Madeline Connor, Grayson Drewett, Caleb George Gooch, Charles Gooch, Trenton King, Asher Klotz, Amos Miller, Ruth Miller, Jackson Parsons, Jett Parsons, Brantley Porterfield, Elena Robinson, Zoe Vickers) on their achievement in The Ohio Academy of Science State Science Day.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board considers it a privilege to recognize the best and brightest our county has to offer and does encourage all citizens of Belmont County to join in extending congratulations to those Belmont County students for their achievements while participating in the 2026 State Science Day.

Adopted this 30th day of September 2026

**BELMONT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
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*Jerry Echemann /s/*  
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*Vince Gianangeli /s/*  
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*J. P. Dutton /s/*

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

|                |     |
|----------------|-----|
| Mr. Echemann   | Yes |
| Mr. Gianangeli | Yes |
| Mr. Dutton     | Yes |

**RECESS**

**Bid Opening-Engineer’s Project 25-11 BEL-CR20-0.33(Blaine-Chermont Road) Slide Repair**

**Present:** Terry Lively, Belmont County Engineer  
Mr. Lively said the slide repair is funded partially through OPWC emergency funding.

**IN THE MATTER OF BID OPENING FOR ENGINEER’S PROJECT 25-11 BEL-CR20-0.33 Slide Repair Project**

This being the day and 11:15 a.m. being the hour that bids were to be on file in the Commissioners’ Office for the Engineer’s Project 25-11 BEL-CR20-0.33 Slide Repair Project. They proceeded to open the following bids:

| NAME                                                                                                     | BID BOND | BID AMOUNT   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|--------------|
| Beaver Excavating<br>2000 Beaver Place Ave. SW<br>Canton, OH 44706<br>Engineer’s Estimate: \$270,000.00. | X        | \$440,198.66 |

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Gianangeli to turn over all bids received for the Engineer’s Project 25-11 BEL-CR20-0.33 Slide Repair Project to Belmont County Engineer Terry Lively for review and recommendation.  
Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

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|----------------|-----|
| Mr. Echemann   | Yes |
| Mr. Gianangeli | Yes |
| Mr. Dutton     | Yes |

**RECESS**

**IN THE MATTER OF ENTERING EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 12:06 P.M**

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Gianangeli to enter executive session with Hannah Warrington, HR Manager, pursuant to ORC 121.22(G)(1) Personnel Exception to consider the employment and compensation of public employees and ORC 121.22(G)(4) Collective Bargaining Exception.  
Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

|                |     |
|----------------|-----|
| Mr. Echemann   | Yes |
| Mr. Gianangeli | Yes |
| Mr. Dutton     | Yes |

**Budget Hearings-**Present: Jody Thomas, Fiscal Clerk and Jessica Koller, Assistant Clerk/Payroll  
2027 budget requests were reviewed.

**PUBLIC DEFENDER-**Present: Aaron Miller and Lisa West  
\$938,211 is requested for 2027. This is \$190,360 more than last year. The true cost to the county is \$187,000 with the 80% reimbursement rate. Four new computers are needed.

**RECESS**

**IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNING EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 12:56 P.M.**

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Gianangeli to exit executive session at 12:56 p.m.  
Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

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|----------------|-----|
| Mr. Echemann   | Yes |
| Mr. Gianangeli | Yes |
| Mr. Dutton     | Yes |

Mr. Echemann said there is one motion to be considered as a result of executive session.

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING UNPAID LEAVE FOR PAIGE NICHOLSON, FULL-TIME DEPUTY CLERK/NORTHERN DIVISIONAL COURTS**

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Gianangeli to approve the unpaid leave for Paige Nicholson, full-time Deputy Clerk at Belmont County Northern Divisional Courts, effective October 1, 2026.  
Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

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|----------------|-----|
| Mr. Echemann   | Yes |
| Mr. Gianangeli | Yes |
| Mr. Dutton     | Yes |

**911 DEPARTMENT-**Present: Bryan Minder, Director  
\$2,052,599 requested for 2027. This is an increase of \$387,777 from 2026 which is due to mostly salaries.

**RECESS**

**IN THE MATTER OF ENTERING EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 1:57 P.M**

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Gianangeli to enter executive session with Hannah Warrington, HR Manager, pursuant to ORC 121.22(G)(1) Personnel Exception to consider the employment and compensation of public employees.  
Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

|                |     |
|----------------|-----|
| Mr. Echemann   | Yes |
| Mr. Gianangeli | Yes |
| Mr. Dutton     | Yes |

**IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNING EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 4:00 P.M.**

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Gianangeli to exit executive session at 4:00 p.m.  
Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

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|----------------|-----|
| Mr. Echemann   | Yes |
| Mr. Gianangeli | Yes |
| Mr. Dutton     | Yes |

Mr. Echemann said as a result there is no action to be taken at this time.



**IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNING**  
**COMMISSIONERS MEETING AT 4:00 P.M.**

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Gianangeli to adjourn the meeting at 4:00 p.m.  
Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

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|----------------|-----|
| Mr. Echemann   | Yes |
| Mr. Gianangeli | Yes |
| Mr. Dutton     | Yes |

Read, approved and signed this 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2026.

Jerry Echemann /s/

Vince Gianangeli /s/ COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

J. P. Dutton /s/

We, Jerry Echemann and Bonnie Zuzak, President and Clerk respectively of the Board of Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio, do hereby certify the foregoing minutes of the proceedings of said Board have been read, approved and signed as provided for by Sec. 305.11 of the Revised Code of Ohio.

Jerry Echemann /s/ PRESIDENT

Bonnie Zuzak /s/ CLERK