

The Board of County Commissioners, Brown County, Ohio, met in regular session this 5th day of February, 2025 with the following members present: Barry L. Woodruff, Member Gordon Ellis, Member Tony Applegate, President

In attendance: Sarah Beath, County Administrator

IN THE MATTER OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Motion moved by Mr. Woodruff to approve the minutes of the previous regular meeting and dispense with the oral reading. Second: Mr. Ellis.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Woodruff, yea Mr. Ellis, yea Mr. Applegate, yea

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDED CERTIFICATE

Motion moved by Mr. Ellis to record as a matter of record the following Initial Amended Certificate for 2025. Second: Mr. Woodruff.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Woodruff, yea Mr. Ellis, yea Mr. Applegate, yea

AMENDED OFFICIAL CERTIFICATE OF ESTIMATED RESOURCES
Office of Budget Commission, Brown County, Ohio
To the **TAXING AUTHORITY OF BROWN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

The following is the initial amended certificate of estimated resources for the fiscal year beginning **January 1st, 2025** as revised by the Budget Commission of said County, which shall govern the total appropriations made at any time during such year.

Fund	Unencumbered Balance 1/1/25	Taxes	Other Sources	Total
General Fund	\$10,764,588.38	\$4,600,000.00	\$13,029,352.92	\$28,393,941.30
Special Revenue	\$21,542,852.00		\$44,958,781.82	\$67,802,633.82

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDED CERTIFICATE

Motion moved by Mr. Woodruff to record as a matter of record the following Amended Certificate. Second: Mr. Ellis.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Woodruff, yea Mr. Ellis, yea Mr. Applegate, yea

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Fund	Unencumbered Balance 1/1/25	Taxes	Other Sources	Total
General Fund	\$10,764,588.38	\$4,600,000.00	\$13,117,923.72	\$28,482,512.10
Special Revenue	\$21,542,852.00		\$45,037,581.82	\$67,881,433.82

IN THE MATTER OF 2024 COUNTY HIGHWAY SYSTEM MILEAGE CERTIFICATION – BROWN COUNTY ENGINEER

Motion moved by Mr. Ellis to approve the request of Todd Cluxton, Brown County Engineer, for the following Mileage Certification to ODOT. Second: Mr. Woodruff.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Woodruff, yea Mr. Ellis, yea Mr. Applegate, yea



Ohio Department of Transportation

Office of Technical Services

2024 County Highway System Mileage Certification

**Note: This form must be submitted to ODOT no later than March 1,2025
or county mileage will be certified by default based on the best information available.**

The total length of county maintained public roads in BROWN County
was 335.287 miles as of December 31, 2023

As certified by the Board of County Commissioners and/or reported by the Director of Transportation
in accordance with the provisions specified in Section 4501.04 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Consider all mileage changes that occurred in CY 2024 and determine the net increase or decrease in mileage.
Add the net change to the 2023 certified mileage above and fill in the new total below.

We the undersigned, hereby certify that as of December 31,2024

the county was responsible for maintaining 335.249 miles of public roads.

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IN THE MATTER TO ENTER CHANGE ORDER – GOVERNMENT SERVICES BUILDING

Motion by Mr. Woodruff to approve a Change Order for the Government Services Building. This is a scope of work and materials' change order and increases the contract price in the amount of \$5,232.50, to meet the preferences of the owner. See Change Order on file. Second: Mr. Ellis.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Woodruff, yea Mr. Ellis, yea Mr. Applegate, yea

IN THE MATTER OF PROCLAMATION – BROWN COUNTY LOVES TRANSIT WEEK

Motion moved by Mr. Ellis to adopt the following Proclamation. In attendance: Ryan Craig, ABCAP Mobility Manager, Damon Lucas, FRS Transportation, and Nick Johnson, ABCAP Mobility Management. Second: Mr. Woodruff.

Brown County Loves Transit Week Proclamation

WHEREAS: Brown County has public transit agencies which will observe the annual Ohio Loves Transit Week from February 9-15, 2025;

WHEREAS, during this week transit agencies sponsor events and activities to encourage ridership and to educate the public, elected officials, community leaders, and the media about the many contributions public transportation makes to Ohio's economy and to the quality of life in communities across the state;

WHEREAS, FRS Transportation enhances the quality of life in Brown County by providing reliable, affordable, convenient mobility services the publics wants, needs, and deserves;

WHEREAS, Ohioans depend on public transit every day to get to work, school medical appointments, shopping centers, parks, libraries, entertainment venues, and countless other destinations;

WHEREAS, Ohio's public transit agencies provide more than 59,000,000 rides per year, including rides for seniors and people with disabilities;

WHEREAS, public transportation in Ohio is a \$1 billion industry that directly employs thousands of people and creates tens of thousands of private-sector jobs;

WHEREAS, the nearly \$1 billion invested in public transit generates \$4 billion in economic activity in Ohio each year;

WHEREAS, public transit reduces wear and tear on public roads, highways, and bridges and eases traffic congestion;

WHEREAS, public transit's development and deployment of vehicles powered by alternative fuels, including natural gas produced in Ohio, protects the environment, reduces America's reliance on foreign oil, and has enabled the state to become a national leader in green energy R&D, investment, and job creation;

WHEREAS, the existence of robust public transit service has become a prerequisite for companies seeking to expand or relocate facilities and/or operations;

WHEREAS, public transit's continued commitment to provide the mobility services Ohioans want, need, and deserve is worthy of recognition; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, We, the Brown County Board of Commissioners, in adopting this proclamation on this 5th day of February 2025, do hereby recognize February 9 through February 15, 2025 as **Brown County Loves Transit Week** and encourages all residents to participate in the events taking place during the week and on February 9, 2025, **Brown County Loves Transit Day**, to celebrate and acknowledge the importance of public transit in our community.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Woodruff, yea Mr. Ellis, yea Mr. Applegate, yea

THE MATTER TO APPROVE THE BILLS

Motion moved by Mr. Woodruff to approve the following bills for payment. Second: Mr. Ellis.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Woodruff, yea Mr. Ellis, yea Mr. Applegate, yea

DEPT	EXPENDITURE
AUDITOR	\$22,390.03
BOE	\$2,428.55
BUILDING DEPT	\$0
CLERK OF COURTS	\$0
COMMISSIONERS	\$4,226.31
COMMON PLEAS	\$7,668.44
CORONER	\$389.33
CSEA	\$322.00
DEVELOPMENT	\$0
DOG TAGS	\$0
E911	\$2,937.08
EMA	\$13,013.07
ENGINEER HWY	\$48,026.71
ENGINEER OFFICE	\$420.73
ENGINEER SEWER & WATER	\$154.43
JFS	\$51,729.36
JURY COMMISSION	\$0
PROBATE/JUVENILE	\$11,459.47
MAINTENANCE	\$29,527.72

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MUNICIPAL	\$139.99
PROSECUTOR	\$35.00
RECORDER	\$53,277.05
SHERIFF	\$80.22
TITLE	\$12,791.70
TREASURER	\$0
GRAND TOTAL	\$261,017.19

IN THE MATTER TO RECESS

Motion moved by Mr. Ellis to recess the meeting at 12:15 p.m. Second: Mr. Woodruff.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Woodruff, yea Mr. Ellis, yea Mr. Applegate, yea

IN THE MATTER TO RECONVENE

Motion moved by Mr. Ellis to reconvene the meeting at 3:12 p.m. Second: Mr. Applegate.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Ellis, yea Mr. Applegate, yea

IN THE MATTER TO RECORD – HISTORIC COVERED BRIDGES REHABILITATION PROJECT

Motion moved by Mr. Ellis to authorize Sarah Beath, County Administrator, to sign change order related to the Historic Covered Bridges Rehabilitation Project, not to exceed \$685,000.00. Second: Mr. Applegate.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Ellis, yea Mr. Applegate, yea

IN THE MATTER TO ADJOURN

Motion moved by Mr. Ellis to adjourn this meeting with no further business before the Board this 5th day of February, 2025. Second: Mr. Applegate.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Ellis, yea Mr. Applegate, yea

2/5/2025
Commissioners met with Lucille Gelter, Sandra Edmisten, and Teresa Montgomery, RCAP, to discuss the Rambler Center building improvements.
Commissioners reviewed the Monthly Fund Report approved by the Auditor and Treasurer.

Approval: February 10, 2025


Tony Applegate, President


Gordon Ellis, Member


Barry Woodruff, Member


Hannah Birchfield, Clerk