

**APPOINTMENTS FOR THURSDAY, JANUARY 8, 2026**  
**ASHLAND COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

9:00 a.m.      Pastor Travis McKenzie, Compassion Church      Opening Prayer

**BUSINESS FOR THURSDAY, JANUARY 8, 2026**  
**ASHLAND COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

1. Approve the minutes of the Boards' meeting of Tuesday, December 23, 2025
2. ORGANIZATION OF BOARD FOR 2026
3. Authorize the designation of the Board President as the Official Voting Representative of Ashland County and the Board Vice-President as the Alternate Voting Representative of Ashland County, for the purpose of voting at any annual or special meeting of the County Commissioners Association of Ohio for 2026
4. Authorize the Boards' appointments for 2026 as follows:

Michael Welch      Ashland Area Economic Development  
Ashland County Land Bank  
Records Commission  
911 Advisory Committee  
Community Corrections Board

Denny Bittle      Ashland County Land Bank  
LEPC  
SWMP

Jim Justice      Kno-Ho-Co Governing Board  
Board of Revision  
Erie Basin RC&D  
Senior Citizen's Board

5. Concur with the following travel requests:

Edward Meixner, Engineer  
County Engineer's Conference in Westerville, Ohio  
January 29-30, 2026 – Estimated Expenses: \$650.00

Anne Strouth, EMA Director  
Disaster service assistance to adjoining counties  
Regional meetings in various Ohio counties  
National Weather Service Meetings in various Ohio counties  
Sectional meetings in various Ohio counties  
EMA of Ohio headquarters in Columbus, Ohio  
January 1 through December 31, 2026 – Estimated Expenses: \$50.00 per occasion

6. Authorize a payment in the amount of \$300.00 to Holland & Muirden, Attorneys at Law, towards the prosecution of one pending case
7. Authorize the Local Emergency Planning Committee to apply for and receive funding from the State Emergency Response Commission
8. Approve the following transfers:  
Commissioners      \$125,000.00 from Fund #1, dept. #35, commissioners other, #8010 transfers to Fund #14, Soil & Water  
-2026 funding

\$88,224.00 from Fund #1, department #35, commissioners other, #8010 transfers to Fund #4, PAF  
-2026 mandated funding

\$30,000 from Fund #1, department #35, commissioners other, #8010 transfers to Fund #69, CSEA  
- 2026 funding

\$25,000.00 from Fund #1, department #56, county planning, #9200 subcontracts to Fund #1, department #35, commissioners other, #8010 transfers  
-to provide for 2026 county planning services

\$25,000.00 from Fund #1, department #35, commissioners other, #8010 transfers to Fund #14, Soil & Water  
- to provide for 2026 county planning services

\$7,500.00 from Fund #1, department #35, commissioners other, #8010 transfers to Fund #14, Soil & Water  
-to provide for 2026 floodplain services

Dog & Kennel- \$25,000.00 from Fund #3, #8010 transfers to Fund #1, County General  
-for first half 2026 dog warden wages

9. Authorize the following items be declared surplus and not needed for the use for which they were acquired, and authorize that the items be disposed of by GovDeals internet auction in accordance with Ohio Revised Code 307.12:

Sheriff- 2006 Toyota Corolla, 2014 Chevy Impala, 2014 Dodge Charger, 2003 Chevy Cavalier,  
1-Kenwood radio

10. Approve Then & Now Certifications and payment of warrants for job & family services, capital projects, dog shelter, commissioners, buildings & grounds, park district, health department, engineer, Dale-Roy School, law library, sheriff, solid waste, veterans, auditor, juvenile/probate court, law director

11. Concur with the following appropriations:

Dale-Roy Medicaid Reserve- \$811,282.00 to Fund #41, #9040 other expense  
-for first quarter Medicaid Waiver Match payment

City Law Director- \$1,215.28 to Fund #1, dept. #36, #4010 supplies  
-for 2025 purchase order carryover

Treasurer- \$793.11 to Fund #1, dept. #4, #1010 elected official wages  
\$112.00 to Fund #1, dept. #4, #1020 PERS  
\$11.50 to Fund #1, dept. #4, #1040 Medicare  
-to correct a 2025 payroll error

Clerk of Courts- \$14,888.00 to Fund #1, dept. #17, #1011 wages  
\$2,085.00 to Fund #1, dept. #17, #1020 PERS  
\$21.00 to Fund #1, dept. #17, #1040 Medicare  
-for additional employee

CTA Funds- \$14,888.00 to Fund #72, #1011 wages  
\$2,085.00 to Fund #72, #1020 PERS  
\$21.00 to Fund #72, #1040 Medicare  
-for additional employee

Emergency Mgmt.- \$12,994.22 to Fund #1, dept. #27, #5040 equipment  
-for gas meters & tourniquets

CHIP- \$15,534.72 to Fund #74, #9200 projects  
-for current project expenses

12. Authorize the appointment of Ervin Yoder as the public sector representative to the Kno-Ho-Co Governing Board, to complete the unexpired three-year term of Lanny O'Hail, which began January 1, 2025 and expires December 31, 2027
13. Accept 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2025 donations to the dog shelter, including \$6,012.00 in cash and checks
14. Consider the cancellation of the Boards' meeting scheduled for Tuesday, January 13, 2026
15. Authorize the appointment of Aaron Meherg as Apiary Inspector for the year 2026, at a rate of \$12.00 per hive inspection, up to a maximum of \$6,500.00
16. Authorize advertising to accept bids until 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, February 12, 2026 for the construction of a new administration building for Ashland County, to be located at 345 Cottage Street, Ashland (estimated project cost is \$7,000,000)