

Minutes

Cuyahoga County Board of Control
Monday, May 18, 2026 - 11:00 A.M.
County Headquarters
2079 East Ninth Street
Committee Room B

I – CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 11:03 a.m.

Attending:

Katherine A. Gallagher, Chief of Operations & Community Innovation County Executive Administration
(Alternate for Chris Ronayne, County Executive)
Michael Chambers, Fiscal Officer, serving as Chairman
Mellany Seay, Finance and Operations Administrator, Department of Public Works
(Alternate for Michael Dever)
Paul Porter, Director, Department of Purchasing
Councilmember Meredith Turner
Councilmember Michael Houser
Councilmember Robert Schleper

II. – REVIEW MINUTES – 5/11/2026

Michael Chambers motioned to approve the minutes from the May 11, 2026, meeting; Robert Schleper seconded. The minutes were approved by unanimous vote, as written.

III. – PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

IV. – CONTRACTS AND AWARDS

A. – Tabled Items

B. – New Items for Review

BC2026-243

Department of Public Safety and Justice Services, submitting a Subgrant Award Agreement from the Ohio Department of Public Safety/Office of Criminal Justice Services in the amount of \$19,355.61 for management of the FY2025 STOP Violence Against Women Act Administrative Grant Program for the period 1/1/2026 – 3/31/2027.

Funding Source: Ohio Department of Public Safety/Office of Criminal Justice Services. Additional project funding includes \$6,451.87 Local Cash Match to be paid from the General Fund; total project costs \$25,807.48.

Mary Beth Vaughn, Department of Public Safety and Justice Services, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Paul Porter seconded. Item BC2026-243 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-244

Department of Public Safety and Justice Services, submitting a Subgrant Award Agreement from Ohio Department of Public Safety/Office of Criminal Justice Services in the total amount of \$677,582.59 for the Regional Planning Unit Project in connection with the FY2025 STOP Violence Against Women Act Block Grant for the period 1/1/2026 – 3/31/2027

Funding Source: Ohio Department of Public Safety, Office of Criminal Justice Services. Additional project funding includes a \$124,223.47 Local Cash Match to be paid by political subdivision subrecipients (not paid by Cuyahoga County or nonprofit subrecipients) for a total project cost of \$801,806.06.

Mary Beth Vaughn, Department of Public Safety and Justice Services, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Meredith Turner seconded. Item BC2026-244 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-245

Department of Health and Human Services/Community Initiatives Division/Office of Homeless Services,

- a) Requesting authority to apply for grant funds from U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in the amount of \$547,255.00 to renew the Rapid Re-housing services for families project in connection with FY2024 Continuum of Care Homeless Program Competition Grant for the period 6/1/2026 – 5/31/2027.
- b) Submitting a grant award from U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in the amount of \$547,255.00 to renew the Rapid Re-housing services for families project in connection with FY2024 Continuum of Care Homeless Program Competition Grant for the period 6/1/2026 – 5/31/2027.

Funding Source: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Additional project funding includes a \$136,814.00 local Cash Match to be paid with Health and Human Services Levy Funds for a total project cost of \$684,069.00.

Marcos Cortes, Department of Health and Human Services, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Robert Schleper seconded. Item BC2026-245 was approved by unanimous vote.

C. – Consent Agenda

There were no questions or comments on the Consent Agenda item. Michael Chambers motioned to approve Consent Agenda Item No. BC2026-246; Paul Porter seconded. The Consent Agenda Items were approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-246

Fiscal Department, presenting proposed travel/membership requests for the week of 5/18/2026:

Dept:	Public Defender's Office							
Event:	49 th National Child Welfare Law Conference							
Source:	National Association of Counsel for Children							
Location:	Portland, OR							
Staff	Travel Dates	Registration *	Meals **	Lodging **	Ground TRN/ Mileage **	Air ***	Total	Funding Source
William Daugherty	8/11/2026- 8/14/2026	\$750.00	\$200.00	\$750.00	\$300.00	\$650.00	\$2,650.00	General Fund 82% reimbursed by Ohio Public Defender

*Paid to host

**Staff reimbursement

*** Airfare will be covered by a contract with the County's Travel Vendor

Purpose:

This conference brings together professionals from child welfare law and intersection fields and further NACC's mission by exchanging ideas, information, and collective efforts. The conference assist professionals to move beyond identifying problems and work towards uplifting and co-creating systems and practices that work. Sustainable practice equips professionals to serve effectively and resiliently amid ongoing challenges, while sustainable community builds collaboration, mentorship, and shared purpose. The conference will explore how to cultivate communities of practice that empower clients and colleagues, bridge caps, across disciplines and jurisdictions, and inspire compassionate, lasting solutions for children and families.

V- OTHER BUSINESS**Item of Note (non-voted)****ION2026-56**

Department of Public Safety and Justice Services, on behalf of the Medical Examiner's Office, submitting a Grant application to U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance in the amount of \$1,589,111.00 for the Cuyahoga County Overdose Fatality Review Counteractive Initiative project in connection with the FY2025 Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Use Site-based Grant Program for the period 6/1/2026 – 5/31/2029.

Funding Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance

Contracts up to \$10,000.00 – Processed and executed (no vote required)

RQ No.	Contract Number	Vendor	Service Description	Amount	Department	Date(s) of Service	Funding Source	Date of Execution
NA	5348	Cuyahoga Land Bank Charities	For various projects or programs in connection with the FY2025 Community Development Supplemental Grant Program	\$0.00	Department of Housing and Community Development	1/1/2025-12/31/2025; to extend the time period to 6/30/2026	(Original) Community Development Supplemental Grant	(Executive) 5/7/2026 (Law) 5/7/2026
NA	6151	Dr. Krystal Hans Ph.D. dba Hans Forensics, LLC	Master Contract for Bugs & Bones Workshop Instructors	Not-to-Exceed \$4,500.00	Medical Examiner's Office	8/4/2026-8/7/2026	Coroner Lab Fund	(Executive) 5/7/2026 (Law) 5/12/2026
NA	6153	Dr. Linda B. Spurlock Ph.D.	Master Contract for Bugs & Bones Workshop Instructors	Not-to-Exceed \$2,500.00	Medical Examiner's Office	8/4/2026-8/7/2026	Coroner Lab Fund	(Executive) 5/7/2026 (Law) 5/12/2026

NA	6198	International Social Service United States of America Branch, Inc.	For an international home study and associated tasks	Not-to-Exceed \$5,000.00	Department of Health and Human Services/ Division of Children and Family Services	5/12/2026 - 3/31/2027	65% Health and Human Services Levy Fund and 35% and Title IV-E Reimbursement Fund	(Executive) 5/12/2026 (Law) 5/12/2026
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VI – PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

VII – ADJOURNMENT

Michael Chambers motioned to adjourn; Mellany Seay seconded. The motion to adjourn was unanimously approved at 11:08 am.