

AGENDA
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
SUMMIT METRO PARKS
FEBRUARY 11, 2025

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of January 14, 2025 Previous Board Minutes
4. Executive Director's Reports
5. Items removed from Consent Agenda
6. Consent Agenda Approval of Bills and Resolutions
 - A. Ratification of Bills Paid
 - B. Authorization to Dispose of Surplus, Unneeded, Obsolete, or Unfit Property by Internet-Based Auction During the Calendar Year of 2025
 - C. Authorization to Request Funds from ODOT and Designation of Projects for Ohio Park Districts Roadwork Fund FY 2026-2027 Through OPRA
 - D. Authorization to Increase the Purchase Order for Design Services for the New Central Maintenance Facility
 - E. Authorization to Design Trail Connector Between Bike & Hike Trail and Towpath Trail
 - F. Authorization to Award Contract for Conservation Forestry Goodyear Heights Metro Parks – Phase 2
7. Unfinished/Old Business & New Business
8. Correspondence & Public Portion
9. Executive Session
10. Future Board Meeting Dates/Adjourn

February 11, 2025

Minutes of Proceedings
Of
The Board of Park Commissioners
Of
Summit Metro Parks

The Board of Park Commissioners of Summit Metro Parks met on Tuesday, February 11, 2025, at 11:30 A.M., at the F.A. Seiberling Nature Realm, 1828 Smith Rd., Akron, OH 44313.

ITEM 1: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was opened by S. Theresa Carter, Chair, with the recital of the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

ITEM 2: ROLL CALL

Roll call showed S. Theresa Carter, Chair, Herb Newman, First Vice-Chair, Joel D. Bailey, Second Vice-Chair, Jill M. Stritch, Member, Rev. Dr. Curtis T. Walker Sr., Member, and Lisa M. King, Executive Director. Also in attendance were Angie Hardman, Lindsay Smith, Aaron Hockman, Doug Shepard, Demetrius Falconer, Alex Daw, Mark Szeremet, Jen Harvey, Josh Hamblen, Dave Kamps, Frank Lemut, Susan Carpenter, Dave Rankin and Kevin Ruegg.

ITEM 3: APPROVAL OF JANUARY 14, 2025 PREVIOUS BOARD MINUTES

Resolution 16.2025

Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Newman, seconded by Mr. Bailey, that the minutes of the January 14, 2025, board meeting were approved. The previous minutes were emailed for the Commissioners' review.

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| The vote being: | S. Theresa Carter | Aye |
| | Herbert Newman | Aye |
| | Joel D. Bailey | Aye |
| | Jill M. Stritch | Aye |
| | Rev. Dr. Curtis T. Walker Sr. | Aye |

ITEM 4: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

The Executive Director's reports were reviewed and discussed. Copies of these reports are attached at the end of the minutes.

ITEM 5: ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

- None

ITEM 6: CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 17.2025

Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Newman, seconded by Ms. Stritch, that the consent agenda items of the Board of Park Commissioners were approved. All supporting documents are at the end of this report.

The vote being:

S. Theresa Carter
Herbert Newman
Joel D. Bailey
Jill M. Stritch
Rev. Dr. Curtis T. Walker Sr.

Aye
Aye
Abstain
Aye
Aye

A. RATIFICATION OF BILLS PAID

| | | |
|---------------|------------------|----------------|
| OPERS | January 2025 | \$199,392.08 |
| Medicare | January 2025 | \$19,223.01 |
| Interim Bills | January 29, 2025 | \$948,431.05 |
| Payroll | January 3, 2025 | \$415,264.46 |
| Payroll | January 17, 2025 | \$497,718.77 |
| Payroll | January 31, 2025 | \$436,051.40 |
| TOTAL | BALANCE | \$2,516,080.77 |

Resolution 18.2025

The action of the Executive Director in paying the above bills was hereby ratified.

B. AUTHORIZATION TO DISPOSE OF SURPLUS, UNNEEDED, OBSOLETE, OR UNFIT PROPERTY BY INTERNET-BASED AUCTION DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR OF 2025

The Executive Director requested authorization to dispose of surplus, unneeded, obsolete, or unfit personal property by internet-based auction during the calendar year of 2025.

The personal property disposed of through internet auction includes but not limited to, motor vehicles, road machinery, car parts, equipment, tools and office equipment or supplies, regardless of property’s value, which are not needed, obsolete, or unfit for the public use for which it was acquired.

The number of days bidding for each auction will be at least ten (10) days, including Saturdays and Sundays, and holidays. The Executive Director and/or a designee may establish a minimum price that will be accepted for specific items and will establish any other terms and conditions for the particular sale, including but not limited to requirements for pick-up or delivery, method of payment, and payment of sales tax in accordance with applicable laws. Such information shall be provided at the time of the auction and may be provided before that time upon request after the above-mentioned items have been determined by the Executive Director and/or a designee.

The sale of surplus, unneeded, obsolete, or unfit personal property will be conducted by an internet auction facilitator for 2025. The auction facilitator’s name, address and telephone number will be provided when the sale is advertised.

Resolution 19.2025

The Executive Director was authorized to dispose of surplus, unneeded, obsolete, or unfit property by internet-based auction during the calendar year of 2025.

C. AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST FUNDS FROM ODOT AND DESIGNATION OF PROJECTS FOR OHIO PARK DISTRICTS ROADWORK FUND FY 2026-2027 THROUGH OPRA

The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) provides road improvement funding through the Ohio Parks & Recreation Association (OPRA) for ORC § 1545 park districts based on the number of motor vehicles registered in each county. The funds available for Summit Metro Parks for the 2026-2027 biennium (July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2027) will be approximately \$250,000.

The following resolution approving the program requirements and requesting funds is required by ODOT to qualify Summit Metro Parks to receive its share of ODOT Park District Road Improvement Allocation.

WHEREAS, the Board of Park Commissioners (the Board) for the Summit Metro Parks has need for improvement of public park roadways owned and maintained by the Park District in Summit County; and

WHEREAS, the Park District was created according to Ohio Revised Code 1545, owns or holds at a minimum a 15-year lease of eligible parkland for roadwork funding, and has adequate, available resources for the construction and maintenance of requested park road improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Park Districts Roadwork Fund is provided by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) for such purposes as authorized by Ohio Revised Code 5511.06, is subject to the Park District Guidance To ODOT's Metropark Program as prescribed by ODOT, and is coordinated by the Ohio Parks & Recreation Association (OPRA); and

WHEREAS, the Board is cognizant of the requirements for receiving such funds, and agrees to comply with the OPRA Policy, as clarified at the Meeting on December 7, 2010, that the park districts are prohibited from accumulating more than 3 Biennium's (six years) of UNUSED funds.

WHEREAS, Section II, paragraph 1A, of the Annual Agreement between ODOT and OPRA requires a two-year list of priority projects for the Metroparks Program to be submitted to ODOT for Department-wide posting and distribution. In order to comply with this provision, each Metropark is required to submit their two-year list of priority projects to OPRA; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Park Commissioners of the Summit Metro Parks requested the designated allocation from the Ohio Parks Districts Roadwork Fund along with any remaining balance of funds in accordance with the following stipulations:

1. Funds can be used for materials and labor necessary for construction or reconstruction of park drives, park roads, new or replacement bridges, park access roads and parking lots. The funds also may be used for the purchase and hauling of materials for the improvement, repair and maintenance of park drives, park roads, park access roads, and parking lots, and rental of labor and equipment. Force account labor costs (charges by park district employees or associates) are ineligible. Ineligible costs include bikeways and items such as shelter houses, wells, pumps, restrooms facilities, park buildings, etc. All projects must be associated with public vehicular access to be eligible for funding. Funds may be used for eligible construction costs, including construction engineering (i.e., testing and inspection) of "LET" projects.

2. The Park District will pay all costs incurred over the appropriated allocation and, also, for all costs associated with design, environmental studies and documents, and right-of-way activities. Any deviation from the guidelines regarding environmental studies or roadway design requires the written approval of ODOT.

3. Summit Metro Parks has designated Lisa M. King, Executive Director, as the contact person for the local arrangements and to sign all documentation on behalf of the Board of Park Commissioners.

The Executive Director requested authorization to request funds from ODOT and designation of projects for Ohio Park Districts Roadwork Fund FY 2026-2027 through OPRA and approved to sign all documents.

Resolution 20.2025

The Executive Director was authorized to request funds from ODOT and designation of projects for Ohio Park Districts Roadwork Fund FY 2026-2027 through OPRA and approved to sign all documents.

D. AUTHORIZATION TO INCREASE THE PURCHASE ORDER FOR DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE NEW CENTRAL MAINTENANCE FACILITY

In March of 2022 the Board authorized SMP to award Richard L. Bowen + Associates Inc. with a contract for engineering, design, construction documents, permitting, bidding assistance, and construction administration for construction of the then-envisioned new central maintenance facility on Wyoga Lake Road. The contract was not to exceed \$600,000.

Once the Wyoga location had schematic design plans, estimates far exceeded our intended budget and the staff considered alternatives. The search led to the purchase of a two-building property at 505 South

Broadway Street in Downtown Akron. We directed the consultant to shift focus to the Broadway buildings and prepare renovation plans. To date, construction documents have been completed to 80% before running out of the original \$600,000 budget.

The Executive Director requested authorization to sign a revised contract with Richard L. Bowen + Associates Inc. for engineering, design, assembling construction documents, permitting, bidding assistance, and construction administration for the new central maintenance facility at 505 South Broadway Street. The work would be performed on an hourly basis, not to exceed \$200,000.

Resolution 21.2025

The Executive Director was authorized to sign a revised contract with Richard L. Bowen + Associates Inc., for engineering, design, assembling construction documents, permitting, bidding assistance, and construction administration for the new central maintenance facility at 505 South Broadway Street. The work would be performed on an hourly basis, not to exceed \$200,000.

E. AUTHORIZATION TO DESIGN TRAIL CONNECTOR BETWEEN BIKE & HIKE TRAIL AND TOWPATH TRAIL

In October 2024, planning staff requested qualifications and authority to negotiate a fee for the design, engineering, construction documents, permitting and bidding assistance for the Sagamore Hills Trail Connector to the Bike & Hike Trail.

Upon reviewing qualifications, Environmental Design Group and their subconsultants were selected by staff as the most qualified firm to do the work for the proposed trail. Planning staff negotiated a fee with Environmental Design Group and the cost of their services will not exceed \$178,890.

The Executive Director requested authorization to sign a contract with Environmental Design Group for the design of the Sagamore Hills Trail Connector adjoining to the Bike & Hike Trail. The cost of these services is not to exceed \$178,890.

Resolution 22.2025

The Executive Director was authorized to sign a contract with Environmental Design Group for the design of the Sagamore Hills Trail Connector adjoining to the Bike & Hike Trail. The cost of these services is not to exceed \$178,890.

F. AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD CONTRACT FOR CONSERVATION FORESTRY GOODYEAR HEIGHTS METRO PARK – PHASE 2

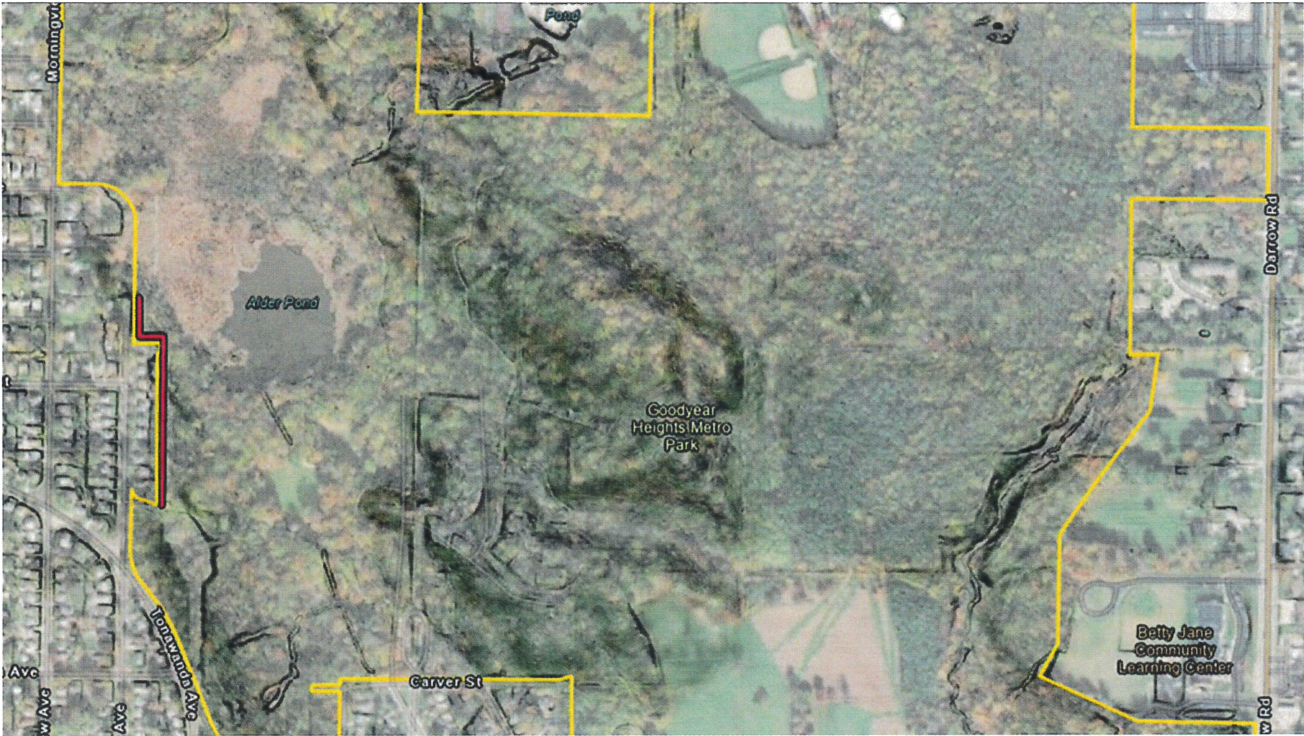
Summit Metro Parks is working to remove non-native and invasive tree species from a number of parks and conservation areas. Staff have worked internally to remove invasive trees and brush, and we have worked with our municipal partners to select better street trees that will not invade and spread into natural areas. Larger tree removals projects are contracted. Two companies were contacted to remove 151 non-native trees along the west boundary of Goodyear Heights Metro Park behind homes on Sumayra Avenue. Stumps will be treated with an approved herbicide and the project will include placement of fallen trees and associated clean up. The area is depicted on the map below.

Two companies were contacted for pricing, GP Tree Service and Extreme Tree. Extreme Tree provided a price of \$32,500 and GP Tree service declined to submit a price citing inability to complete work in specified time frame.

The Executive Director requested authorization to sign a contract with Extreme Tree for conservation forestry at Goodyear Heights Metro Park for an amount not to exceed \$32,500.

Resolution 23.2025

The Executive Director was authorized to sign a contract with Extreme Tree for conservation forestry at Goodyear Heights Metro Park for an amount not to exceed \$32,500.



The red line represents area of conservation forestry at Goodyear Heights Metro Park.

ITEM 7: UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS

- None

NEW BUSINESS

- None

ITEM 8: CORRESPONDENCE

- None

PUBLIC PORTION

- None

ITEM 9: EXECUTIVE SESSION: O.R.C. §121.22, (G) (1), (G) (2), (G) (3) AND (G) (4)

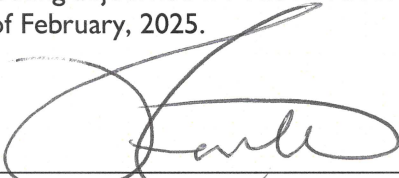
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ITEM 10: FUTURE BOARD MEETING DATES

- Tuesday, March 11, 2025 at 11:30 a.m. – F. A. Seiberling Nature Realm
- Tuesday, April 8, 2025 at 11:30 a.m. – F. A. Seiberling Nature Realm
- Tuesday, May 13, 2025 at 11:30 a.m. – F. A. Seiberling Nature Realm
- Tuesday, June 10, 2025 at 11:30 a.m. – F. A. Seiberling Nature Realm
- Tuesday, July 8, 2025 at 11:30 a.m. – F. A. Seiberling Nature Realm
- Tuesday, August 12, 2025 at 11:30 a.m. – F. A. Seiberling Nature Realm

- Tuesday, September 9, 2025 at 11:30 a.m. – F. A. Seiberling Nature Realm
- Tuesday, October 14, 2025 at 11:30 a.m. – F. A. Seiberling Nature Realm
- Tuesday, November 18, 2025 at 11:30 a.m. – F. A. Seiberling Nature Realm
- Tuesday, December 9, 2025 at 11:30 a.m. – F. A. Seiberling Nature Realm

There being no further business to transact, the meeting adjourned IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hand, this 11th day of February, 2025.


S. Theresa Carter, Chair


Lisa M. King, Executive Director

True copies emailed to all Commissioners on February 11th, 2025.

ITEM 4: **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORTS**

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

| | Central Region | North Region | South Region |
|---|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| Building Visitation | 2116 | 977 | 453 |
| Phone calls | 403 | 99 | 41 |
| Number of Programs | 21 | 19 | 23 |
| Programs Attendance | 310 | 347 | 230 |
| Number of Special Events | 2 | - | - |
| Special Event Attendance | 270 | - | - |
| Number of Outreach | 2 | 3 | 3 |
| Outreach Attendance | 159 | 131 | 91 |
| Number of Virtual Programs & Outreach | 4 | 2 | - |
| Virtual Programs & Outreach Attendance | 54 | 95 | - |
| Number of Other (Impromptus, School Groups, Visits) | 5 | - | 2 |
| Other Attendance | 88 | - | 10 |

Center Highlights: (South)

In January in the southern region of the county, we took our cues from nature. We were Jolly for Holly in Goodyear Heights Metro Park, we explored what fish do in winter with Frigid Fishes, howled at the Wolf Moon at Springfield Bog and explored the Wonders of Winter at Goodyear Heights Metro Park. Additionally, we piloted a Drop-in Coffee with the Birds program that attracted birders of all ages including the Kent State University ornithology club to witness the winter visitors that reside at Summit Lake. Coffee with the Birds will continue into February every Saturday morning from 10:00 to 11:00am at the Summit Lake Nature Center. Join us to see both our unique migratory waterfowl and the resident birds.

On January 14, we welcomed back our Nature Club after winter break. This month’s theme was Caring and each week we enhanced our nature club community by learning how to care for ourselves, each other, and our beloved community. We were lucky to have special guests from the Akron Canton Food Bank and Open M who helped us understand how our actions could benefit those around us, and we painted over 100 cards with motivational messages that will be added to lunch giveaways and grocery bags distributed by Open M.



January was also a great time for us to visit local schools for outreach opportunities. Despite some delays or rescheduling due to the weather, we were able to visit Ellet CLC for their Career Fair and their 69th STEM Expo. We also visited the Barberton Kiwanis Club for an outreach program.

What's Next

Summit Metro Parks has always promoted sustainability through quality programs. In 2025, Community Engagement launched a two-year plan focused on reducing our carbon footprint, highlighting the wealth of ecosystem services of trees, and by connecting our local waterways and stories of resilience to Summit County communities. Our goal is to educate all ages, inspire conscious actions toward sustainability, and foster advocacy for parkland management. We invite everyone to start today by reading the Green Island article online, “What it means to GREEN” written by interpretive naturalist Joe Malmisur.

CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT

- Several staff in the Conservation Department are participating in the 2025 OPRA conference and have prepared formal presentations.
- The SMP deer management includes a public archery component that recently ended. Final numbers are still being compiled but estimates are close to 300 animals safely removed from park property by archery. Internal management activities will continue until the end of February.
- We continue to work with our partners at the Akron Zoo to capture two additional animals for our regional coyote behavior study.
- We are presently working with the Ohio Department of Wildlife, U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Cuyahoga Valley National Park, and Conservation Measures Partnership to plan a large release of native sturgeon in fall of 2025.
- We are wrapping up conservation forestry projects from last year and planning efforts for 2025. This is a multiple year effort to remove non-native and invasive tree species from our parks and conservation areas. Non-native trees displace our native species and do not provide habitat value to our local wildlife. We are also working with our municipal partners to select better species for street tree plants (which are often the seed source for spreading into our Metro Parks).

CUSTOMER SERVICE DEPARTMENT

January
Headquarters

Calls: 1056
Visitors: 136

HUMAN RESOURCES

With daylight lasting longer, it’s a sign that spring and summer are fast approaching, which brings seasonals! This year the departments will be looking to fill the following seasonal positions:

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| Conservation: | 15 |
| Community Engagement: | 4 |
| Operations: | 40 |

Seasonal positions typically are authorized for up to forty (40) hours per week for a “fixed period of time” (spring, summer, autumn, winter) in one or more seasons in a year, to a specific job title and a specific hourly wage ranging in 2025 from \$13-\$17 an hour. The rate of which is determined by position, experience, and education level.

Milestone Anniversaries:

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| John Schlaeppi | 25 Years of Service | Park Ranger |
| Angela Hardman | 10 Years of Service | Administrative Office Manager/Executive Assistant |

Promotions:

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| Haumschild, Julie | Donor Relations Specialist |
| Tomlins, Jessica | Volunteer Coordinator |

New Hires

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| Gotto, Anthony | Park Ranger |
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Separations:

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| Fazenbaker, Denise | Accounting/Payroll Specialist |
| Humphreys, Davis | Park Technician |

Postings:

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| 01/03/25 | Accounting/Payroll Specialist |
| 01/07/25 | Park Planner |
| 01/28/25 | PTYR Park Technician |
| | Park Technician III |

Seasonals:

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| Applegate, Lauren | Seasonal Maintenance Worker | Rehire |
| Micheal, Brook | Seasonal Conservation Worker | End of Season |
| Gray, Andrew | Seasonal Biologist | End of Season |
| Williams, Shaheen | Seasonal Outreach Program Assistant | End of Season |

Volunteer Program

- The 2024 Volunteer Impact Report is available. A few highlights of contributors include: 18,757 total service hours contributed by 926 volunteers, 28% contributing on an on-going basis, 3% Youth volunteers, and 28 service groups made a positive impact on visitor experiences and natural resources.
- The following volunteers reached service milestones in 2024. Their dedication to serving Summit Metro Parks and reach in connecting people to nature and conservation is beyond measure. Special thanks to:
 - 9,000 hours | Alan Casanova, Debbie Casanova, Doug Dawes
 - 3,000 hours | Larry Grewe
 - 2,000 hours | Kathy Battaglia
 - 1,000 hours | Rita Hottell, Joe Sudomir, Van Perch
 - 500 hours | Nick Kristoff, Cheryl Manson, Chris Mosey, John Rasinski, Bonnie Sudomir, Melvin Vye
 - 250 hours | Eleanor Allen, Christine Devono, Glenn Moretz, Darlene Haren, Gregory Polles, Christopher Randolph
 - 100 hours | Tim Bartlett, Marcia Korane, John Macinelli, Barbara Osyk, Karen Richter, Ken Thompson
- The volunteer department onboarded 32 new volunteers (Ensemble gained 8, conservation 6, trail monitoring 5 and Cycling Without Age 4 to name a few) throughout 2024. The volunteer department also acknowledged the completed service of 12 former volunteers.
- In January 2025, 68 reoccurring volunteers reported 583 hours within 19 assignments across the park district.

- Recruitment is underway for new and current volunteers for 11 volunteer roles across three departments-conservation, marketing and communications and community engagement. Prospective volunteer informational sessions will be held February 11 and March 1.
- Interest in 37 prospective volunteers was expressed via our volunteer signup at summitmetroparks.org/volunteer.aspx.
- Photo: 2024 Volunteer Impact Highlights



MARKETING & COMMUNICATIONS

- This February**, the Marketing & Communications department is focused on:
 - Developing the 2025 Fall Hiking Spree’s sustainability-based theme
 - Finalizing the park district and SMP Foundation’s annual reports
 - Leading the planning and coordination of several large events including the Akron Home & Garden Show, Kids’ Fishing Derby, Mother’s Day 5K and Native Plant Festival and
 - The February 5 launch of our online sales site for Maple Leaf Gifts!
- Summit Metro Parks received **media coverage** in January in the following outlets: WKYC-TV (Black History Month events), Fox 8 News (bird flu), 91.3 WCPN-FM (bird flu), Ideastream (bird flu, tunnel boring machine Elaine), WAKR-AM (bird flu, future improvements to Silver Creek Metro Park), The Independent (bird flu), Akron Beacon Journal (bird flu, Akron Wellness Challenge, tunnel boring machine Elaine, winter sports, Signal Tree care during construction), Signal Akron (Black History Month events, MLK Day celebrations, local sledding locations), The Eagle Times (Springfield Rotary Club bench donations), Cleveland.com (future improvements to Silver Creek Metro Park, Parcours Trails upgrades, Akron Wellness Challenge, Andrea Rose Teodosio Memorial Foundation), Patch.com (new commissioner join SMP Board of Park Commissioners), West Side Leader (new commissioner join SMP Board of Park Commissioners, CVNP trail system), Spectrum News 1 (Christmas tree recycling), Northeast Ohio Parent (winter events).
- Marketing continues to coordinate with Conservation and Community Engagement to promote the Wild Back Yards initiative as part of our overall sustainability-themed campaign “Greener Future.” Paid messages will run through this spring ahead of our annual Spree for All promotions. New this year, we will offer a comprehensive “How-to” WBY guide to map out the full process of developing a Wild Back Yard. We continue to develop our WBY Partner program where we will invite participation in the initiative from municipalities, businesses, organizations and groups.
- Maple Leaf Gifts staff have been busy preparing for the launch of our online shop. Several new items are in development, including updated Wild Back Yards merchandise and a new design inspired by sustainability efforts.

OPERATIONS

Park Areas and Structures

- Staff will be replacing the kitchen cabinets and countertops at Brushwood Lodge in late February and early March.
- Portal signs for Firestone, Springfield Bog and Towpath Trail - Clinton were installed this winter. The final eight portal signs replacements are in the works and will be replaced this year.
- Staff are working on installing ADA openers to the entry doors at the Administrative Offices and Summit Lake Nature Center. Doors and openers have been ordered and are scheduled to be installed in February when the doors come in.
- Staff are working with the planning department to develop plans for the future central maintenance facility, Silver Creek and Munroe Falls master plans, Goodyear Heights Lodge boiler system, material storage bins, kitchen cabinets at Goodyear lodge, docks for Nimisila C3 area and Long Lake area, Fitzpatrick restroom replacements, and improvements to Summit Lake Nature Center’s community garden area.
- The annual preventative forestry work district-wide is underway and will continue throughout the winter months.
- Recruitment efforts for seasonal staff are underway. Staff are participating in high school and college job fairs.
- Nimisila Campground is closed for February and reopens on March 1, 2025.

Trail Improvements

- Firestone: Approximately 1,000’ of decking will be replaced on Redwing Trail this winter.
- Bike and Hike Trail: Root pruning between Rt. 303 and Alexander Road is complete and staff will continue south, working on the section between Rt. 303 and Barlow Road. Staff use a rock wheel, skid steer attachment to cut a trench along the trail to reduce root damage to the pavement.



Park Activities & Events

- Winter sports areas are open for the 2024-25 season. Activity has been high this past month with the cold and snowy weather.

Training:

- Training: BWC Tree Works Essentials
When: February 25, 2025
Attendees: Gary Dean, Olivia Orahoske, Karinthia Witmer, and Adam Stout

- Electro Expo 2025
When: March 12 – 13, 2025
Attendees: M. Bartzi, M. Thompson, J. Porchowsky, B. Eakin, R. Boyes, and R. Clokey
- In-House Training: Red Cross CPR and First Aid Certification and Recertification
When: February/March
Attendees: Commissioned managers and all new SMP staff

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Below is a high-level summary and status update of the active park planning and development projects.

DESIGN, PLANNING AND STUDY PROJECTS:

District Wide

ADA Transition Plan:

- The park district has a long-standing commitment to accessibility. This commitment to accessibility and our overall compliance effort related to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) continues to be a high priority. The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (Title II) requires a public entity to make its programs, activities, and services accessible to and usable by persons with disabilities except where to do so would result in a fundamental alteration in the nature of the program or in undue financial and administrative burdens.
 - ADA Consultant finished their initial facilities assessment and setting up spreadsheet of projects to review with staff.
 - ADA Consultant is also reviewing upcoming projects to make sure we meet the most up-to-date standards.
 - Interview taking place with all departments to update and follow correct ADA procedures

Central Maintenance Facility:

- SMP Staff has been working with Richard L. Bowen and Associates to plan and design the renovations to the site and building on Broadway Avenue downtown to relocate our maintenance facilities and staff.
 - Construction documents for the site and building are to be complete this spring to start site work and utility construction in 2025.

Cascade Valley

Towpath Trail Connector:

- Multi-purpose trail project to connect the current Valley Link Trail through the Valley View Area to the southern end of the park to the Ohio & Erie Canal Towpath Trail.
 - EMH&T is working on alternative designs for the park district to consider. Site visits were made to review alternatives and choose the best locations for bridges.

Gorge

Dam Removal:

- **Sediment Disposal:** Summit Metro Parks staff have worked with the Environmental Protection Agency to guide the design of the dam sediment deposition area in the Chuckery Area of Cascade Valley Metro Park. Over one million cubic yards of sediment will be removed from behind the dam via clamshell dredge. The sediment will then be piped as a slurry to the Chuckery Area, where it will be mixed with a low-percentage concrete mix to create moundable earthen material. This material will be shaped into naturally appearing mounds, which will be capped with topsoil and planted.
 - Ohio EPA chose a contractor for the sediment removal work. Then put on-hold from federal funding freeze.
 - Making progress on the final landowner on the Highbridge Trail for the sediment removal pipe placement.
 - **Dam Structure Removal:** Park staff are working with the City of Akron regarding removal of the dam structure. These conversations focus on access to the dam, removal limits, disposal of removed concrete, protection of infrastructure from the river and restoration of the area under the existing dam pool.
- **Cuyahoga Falls Sanitary Sewer Replacement:** The City of Akron has agreed to accept the city of Cuyahoga Falls sanitary flow into the North Side Interceptor Tunnel, redirecting 100% of the flow out of Gorge Metro Park. Design and coordination are ongoing.

Munroe Falls

Master Planning

- Master planning for Munroe Falls Metro Park is continuing. The plan is being guided by input from SMP staff and the public which will provide guidance for how the park is to be improved to better serve the public and environment into the future.
 - Staff working on final edits to maps and writing reports to present to staff and board early in 2025.

Goodyear Heights

Entry Drive and Parking Lot Improvements

- Design and construction plans are prepared to remove exiting asphalt and curbs and improve ADA access to the Lodge and Restroom buildings.
 - Staff are currently working with ODOT to use LPA funds on project.
 - Working on final construction documents for bidding.

F.A. Seiberling Nature Realm

Service Drive and Parking Lot Improvements

- Design and construction plans are prepared to remove, replace, and expand existing asphalt drive and parking lot.
 - Plans have been bid and the successful bidder is Geauga Highway to begin in spring 2025.

Trails

Bike & Hike Trail:

- SMP is partnering with Cleveland Metroparks, Cuyahoga Valley National Park and Sagamore Hills to create a trail extension between the Towpath Trail in Valley View to the Bike & Hike Trail in Sagamore Hills.
 - Working on agreements with partners to move project forward.
 - Site walk with consultant to discuss trail options.

Freedom Trail:

- Phase 4: Trail plans for the section from Mill Street to South Broadway Avenue are complete.
 - Kenmore Construction was the low bidder on project going to the board for approval. Federal funds are allocated for both projects and coordination, and approval must be met by Akron Metropolitan Planning Study (AMATS) and Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT).
 - Planning department promote our project, wrote grant, applied and accepted additional \$800,000 grant funds for project.

Silver Creek Trail:

- The Silver Creek Trail is a proposed trail which would connect Silver Creek Metro Park in Norton to the Towpath Trail in Barberton.
 - First Energy has agreed to allow the trail on their property from Wadsworth to Barberton. Hammontree and Associates have completed survey work. Will be starting agreement with First Energy.

CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS:

Cascade Valley

City of Akron North Side Interceptor Tunnel (NSIT):

- Construction work for Akron's North Side Interceptor Tunnel project is underway at the end of Peck Road.
 - Excavation and installation of the overflow tunnel continues.

Cuyahoga River Water Trail

Northampton Point:

- Partnership project with Cuyahoga Valley National Park to build a parking lot, trailhead and access point on the Cuyahoga River Water Trail.
 - Construction is on schedule with the parking lot and trailhead graded and stoned. Closed for winter and be back in March to finish work.

Freedom Trail

Middlebury Road:

- This is a new connector trail which will connect the parking lot to the Portage County Hike and Bike Trail and consists of a new pedestrian/bicycle bridge over the CSX railroad tracks along with a trail.
 - Contractor has retaining walls constructed and one bridge abutment complete. Recently working on the second bridge abutment on the south side of railroad tracks.

Ohio & Erie Canal

Towpath Trail:

- The bridge over the canal spillway near the Wolf Creek Trailhead is failing and in need of replacement. Grant money from Ohio & Erie Canalway Association will be used to help offset construction costs.
 - Fechko Construction started set-up for beginning bridge work.

O'Neil Woods

Entry Drive & Parking Lot Paving:

- As part of the Summit Countywide paving and striping program through the Summit County Engineers Office, Summit Metro Parks is repaving and striping the entry drive and parking lot at O'Neil Woods.
 - This project will need grass seeding in spring.

Administrative Office Roof & HVAC:

- A roof replacement and HVAC upgrades were necessary at the administrative office to alleviate leaks and provide more efficient heat/cool for the entire office.
 - Working with contractor to complete minor work. Front door replacement is coming soon.

Sand Run

Retaining Walls and Railing Replacement

- Design and construction plans are complete.
 - Allen Stone Company has set up traffic controls and work area limits. Last week began drilling steel columns and placing steel plates for the wall. First wall section is nearing completion.

Summit Lake

Summit Lake Nature Center Signage:

- Additional signs to identify Summit Lake Nature Center from parking lot and trail/lake sides of building. This project will include updated lighting for leaf-marks and lettering.
 - The planning department wrote a grant, applied and accepted a small grant from Akron Summit County Convention and Visitor's Bureau for project.



Mock-up of design for new leaf mark and identifying lettering for Summit Lake Nature Center.

GRANT ACTIVITY

Grants-Pending: (Application made, awaiting word)
None

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| Grants-Awarded: | | |
| Akron/Summit Convention and Visitors Bureau | Summit Lake Nature Center Signage | \$ 2,500 |
| Ohio & Erie Canalway Association | Sagamore Hills Trail Engineering and Design | \$ 20,000 |
| Summit County Community | Northampton Point Construction | \$ 11,000 |
| ODNR Division of Forestry | Rx STEP 2023-I I | \$ 4,942 |
| Clean Ohio Trail Fund | Freedom Trail Phase 4 | \$ 500,000 |
| Ohio & Erie Canalway Association | Towpath Trail - Portage Path N. Improvements | \$ 12,000 |
| FHWA - AMATS | Freedom Trail Phase 4 (2024) | \$ 700,000 |
| FHWA - AMATS | Freedom Trail Middlebury Connector Trail (2023) | \$ 700,000 |
| Land and Water Conservation Fund | Valley View Riverfront | \$ 450,000 |
| Ohio & Erie Canalway Association | Barberton Towpath Bridge | \$ 25,000 |
| Clean Ohio Conservation Fund | Sand Run East End Restoration Project | \$ 175,000 |
| Ohio Capital Improvement Community Park, Recreation/Conservation Project | Valley View Park Development Riverfront Area | \$ 98,000 |
| Clean Ohio Conservation Fund | Sand Run Stream Restoration | \$ 2,000,000 |
| O&ECC - Summit County Community Grant | Freedom Trail Phase 4 Engineering and Design | \$ 5,000 |
| Total | | \$ 4,703,442 |

RANGER DEPARTMENT

- 20 incident reports were completed for the month of January 2025.
- 613 hours of ranger foot patrol were completed for the month of January. The ranger’s primary means of patrol is on foot, checking designated trails, conservation areas and park boundaries.
- 1,736 visitor contacts were made for the month of January. A visitor contact may be as simple as assisting the park visitor with directions and may be as involved as having to arrest and remove a disorderly park patron for just cause.
- From National Park Service Park Ranger: “Just wanted to let you know that Officer Phillips did an outstanding job today supporting NPS for the SAR event on Perkins Trail”. On Sunday February 2nd, 2025, Ranger Phillips was dispatched to assist NPS with extricating an injured hiker on their Perkins Trail at Riding Run. Ranger Phillips assisted with carrying a wheeled liter about 1/2 mile off trail to the old Everett Roadbed where EMS was staged for transport.



- From the Ohio Attorney General. For the calendar year 2025, peace officers must receive a minimum of twenty-four (24) hours of continuing professional training. However, they are encouraged to exceed the legal minimum. Required: Specifically Mandated Courses (8 prescribed hours) The Ohio Peace Officer Training Commission (OPOTC) mandated 8 specific hours as follows:
Use of Force (3 hours)
Ethics Laws (2 hours)
Legal Updates (2 hours),
Arrest, Search & Seizure (1 hour).

Required: Priority Topics (16 hours from one or more of the following)
OPOTC mandated 16 hours of CPT from any combination of the following priority topics:
Officer Trauma & Wellness
Domestic Violence
Vehicle dynamics
Report Writing
Leadership

2025 MONTHLY WORK FORCE REPORT, SUMMIT METRO PARKS

| | JAN | FEB | MAR | APR | MAY | JUN | JUL | AUG | SEP | OCT | NOV | DEC |
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| Full Time Employees, Job Positions | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Accounting/Payroll Manager (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Accounting/Payroll Specialist (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Administrative Office Mgr/Executive Asst. (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Assistant Park Manager (2) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Assistant Purchasing Manager (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Brand Manager (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Carpenter (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chief of Community Engagement (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chief of Conservation (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chief of Finance (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chief of Human Resources & Admin (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chief of Marketing & Communications (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chief of Operations (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chief of Planning (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chief of Philanthropy (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chief of Rangers (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Civil Engineer/Construction Supervisor (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Community Engagement Coordinator (3) | 3 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Community Engagement Manager (3) | 3 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Community Engagement Specialists (2) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Crew Leader I (9) | 9 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Crew Leader II (3) | 3 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cultural Resource Specialist (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Customer Service Rep (2) | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Donor Relations Coordinator (1) | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Donor Relations Specialist (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Executive Director (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Events Specialist (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fleet Manager (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Forestry Crew Leader (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Forestry Technician (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Graphic Designer (2) | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Horticulturalist (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Human Resources Coordinator (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Human Resources Manager (1) | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Interpretive Artist (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Interpretive Naturalist (6) | 6 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Landscape Architect (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lead Mechanic (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lead Naturalist (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Maintenance/Utility Technician (2) | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Manager Volunteer Programs (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Marketing Assistant (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Marketing & Public Relations Manager (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Marketing Specialist (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mechanic (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Natural Resources Project Manager (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Operations Project Manager (2) | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Operations Service Manager (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Park Biologist (3) | 3 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Park Manager I (3) | 3 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Park Manager II (8) | 8 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Park Planner (1) | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Park Ranger (20) | 16 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Park Technician I (36) | 37 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Park Technician II (1) | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Park Technician III (5) | 3 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Planning & Development Project Manager (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Purchasing Manager (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ranger Captain (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ranger Lieutenant (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ranger Project Manager (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| Ranger Sergeant (3) | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Regional Manager (2) | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sales Supervisor (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Supervisor of Cultural Resources (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Supervisor of Ecological Resources (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Supervisor of Wildlife Resources (1) | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Trail Crew Leader (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Trail Technician (1) | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Utility Technician (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Volunteer Coordinator (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Full-Time Hired | 157 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total FT Authorized | 169 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Part-Time, Year Round Employees | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Accounting Specialist (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Civil Engineer/Construction Supervisor (1) | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cultural Resource Specialist (1) | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Community Engagement Specialist (6) | 6 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Customer Service Rep (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Interpretive Naturalist (6) | 6 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Nature Club Coordinator (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Park Technician (11) | 11 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Park Biologist (3) | 3 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sales Assistant (2) | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Watershed Resource Specialist (1) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Part-Time, Year Round Hired | 32 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total PT, YR Authorized | 34 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Seasonal Employees | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Community Engagement | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Conservation | 3 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Operations | 5 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Seasonal Hired | 10 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Seasonal Authorized | 104 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Casual Employees | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ranger (5) | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Visitor Engagement Specialists (0) | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Casual Hired | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Casual Authorized | 5 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Intern Employees | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Interns Hired | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Interns Authorized (9) | 9 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Grand Total Hired Employees | 200 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Grand Total Employees Authorized | 321 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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I certify approval for payment of the vouchers listed:

| Vendor | Description | Amount |
|---|------------------------------------|------------|
| AKRON PRINT INC | Gift Shop Items | 1,247.85 |
| AKRON PORTA THRONES | Portable Restroom Rental | 2,462.00 |
| AKRON STEEL CORPORATION | Maintenance Materials | 307.22 |
| AKRON BEARING CO INC | Vehicle Supplies | 30.80 |
| AKRON TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT INC | Equipment Supplies | 1,403.08 |
| AKRON UNIFORMS | Uniforms | 1,044.74 |
| ALCO CHEM INC | Maintenance Supplies | 1,675.51 |
| AMS TITLE AGENCY INC | Land Purchase | 300,000.00 |
| ANTHEM LIFE INSURANCE CO | Life Insurance | 855.98 |
| APPLE INC | iPads | 896.00 |
| ARBORWEAR LLC | Uniforms | 163.87 |
| AUSTIN IGNITION COMPANY | Vehicle Supplies | 250.07 |
| AUTOZONE PARTS INC | Maintenance Materials | 21.59 |
| BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION BUREAU LLC | Background Checks | 9.50 |
| BAIR'S INC | Equipment Supplies | 515.44 |
| BAKER VEHICLE SYSTEMS INC | Equipment Supplies | 149.49 |
| BASIC BENEFITS LLC | COBRA & FSA Administration | 323.39 |
| BELLEVILLE ENGINEERING GROUP LLC | Boundary Survey & Mapping Services | 2,485.00 |
| BELLEVILLE LIGHT IDEA SHOPS LLC | Maintenance Materials | 3,440.24 |
| BUCKEYE UNIFORMS INC | Uniforms | 1,433.43 |
| BUCKINGHAM DOOLITTLE & BURROUGHS | Legal Services | 5,901.50 |
| CAMMEL SAW COMPANY INC | Tool Repairs | 228.12 |
| CAVANAUGH BUILDING CORP | River Access Project | 6,030.00 |
| CENTER FOR MARKETING & OPINION RESEARCH LLC | Summit Poll | 23,500.00 |
| CENTERLINE MAPPING | Ranger Equipment | 180.00 |
| CERMAK, JAMES J | Program Supplies | 537.00 |
| CITY OF AKRON | Water & Sewer Services | 1,821.40 |
| CITY OF AKRON | Radio Fees | 273.00 |
| CITY OF BARBERTON | Water Services | 28.45 |
| CITY OF CLEVELAND | Water Services | 150.37 |
| CITY OF CUYAHOGA FALLS | Electric and Water Service | 711.41 |
| CITY OF HUDSON | Water Service | 28.14 |
| CITY OF MUNROE FALLS | Water Service | 73.40 |
| CITY OF STOW | 2025 SMCRT Annual Dues | 750.00 |
| CITY OF STOW | Water Service | 32.53 |
| CLARK ANNEMILLER CO INC | Program Supplies | 10.00 |
| COMDOC INC | Copier Service Contract | 99.65 |
| CRANDALL CO INC | Equipment Supplies | 250.70 |
| CURTIS, EMILY M | Gift Shop Items | 595.00 |
| DATABASE MARKETING INNOVATORS INC | Mailing Service | 578.87 |
| DAYWALT MANAGEMENT LLC | Maintenance Supplies | 631.30 |

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| DESIGN MANAGEMENT ARCHITECTS INC | Pioneer Shelter Repairs | 23,875.00 |
| DESIGN OHIO INC | Surveying Services | 1,200.00 |
| ELITE HARDWARE GROUP LLC | Maintenance Materials | 123.34 |
| EAST OHIO GAS COMPANY | Gas Service | 4,740.48 |
| ELIZABETH F SCHUSTER | Strategic Plan | 10,831.00 |
| ENTERPRISE FM TRUST | Vehicle Lease | 47,019.42 |
| EQUIPARTS CORP | Maintenance Materials | 247.83 |
| EVANS MECHWART HAMBLETON & TILTON INC | Construction Services | 4,119.23 |
| EVANS MECHWART HAMBLETON & TILTON INC | Valley View Bridge Design | 11,598.30 |
| EVERLAST CLIMBING INDUSTRIES INC | Maintenance Materials | 501.00 |
| E-VOLVE CREATIVE GROUP LLC | Website Services | 9,900.00 |
| E-VOLVE CREATIVE GROUP LLC | Website Development | 2,650.00 |
| FALLSWAY EQUIPMENT CO INC | Vehicle Supplies | 225.00 |
| FAMOUS DISTRIBUTION INC | Maintenance Materials | 1,583.60 |
| FASTENAL COMPANY | Maintenance Materials | 193.29 |
| FIRST COMMUNICATIONS LLC | Phone & Internet Services | 6,349.33 |
| FISHER AUTO PARTS INC | Vehicle Supplies | 279.49 |
| FRED W ALBRECHT GROCERY COMPANY | Program Supplies | 464.66 |
| FRESHLINE PARTS COMPANY | Vehicle Supplies | 719.61 |
| GENERAL EQUIPMENT COMPANY INC | Shelving Units | 1,802.84 |
| GOOSE DOCTORS LLC | Wildlife Management | 1,295.00 |
| HARTVILLE HARDWARE INC | Maintenance Supplies & Materials | 779.73 |
| INDEPENDENCE OFFICE AND BUSINESS SUPPLY CO INC | Office & Maintenance Supplies | 709.24 |
| JD STRIPING AND SERVICES INC | Paving Services | 460.69 |
| JD WILLIAMSON CONSTRUCTION CO INC | Freedom Trail Project | 33,385.50 |
| JJ KELLER & ASSOCIATES INC | Maintenance Supplies | 642.00 |
| KAMM STAR CONTRACTORS LLC | HVAC Repair | 707.00 |
| KASTNER WESTMAN & WILKINS LLC | Legal Services | 2,831.35 |
| KEIM CO | Maintenance Materials | 2,290.00 |
| KOZLOWSKI CO | Roof Repairs | 681.00 |
| M CONLEY CO | Maintenance Supplies | 1,109.31 |
| MALCOLM, KRISTINA | Professional Design Services | 2,600.00 |
| MANN MARKETING INC | Gift Shop Items | 770.65 |
| MARS ELECTRIC CO INC | Maintenance Supplies & Materials | 8,929.84 |
| MARTRANO ENTERPRISES LLC | Barrier Gates | 5,148.99 |
| MARTINSONS AUTO PARTS INC | Vehicle Supplies | 274.65 |
| MARTINSONS JONALD HOPKINS LLC | Legal Services | 11,225.37 |
| MEDICAL MUTUAL OF OHIO | Vision & Hearing Claims & Administration | 1,425.31 |
| MIDWEST MOTOR SUPPLY CO INC | Maintenance Supplies | 1,257.30 |
| MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS INC | Ranger Communication Equipment | 155,260.50 |
| MURDOCK INDUSTRIAL INC | Equipment Supplies | 120.02 |
| NORTHEAST OHIO REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT | Stormwater Services | 58.40 |

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| OHIO AFSCME CARE PLAN | Ohio AFSCME Care Plan | 944.00 |
| EDISON CO | Electric Services | 18,367.37 |
| OHIO STATE HIGHWAY PATROL | Mobile LEADS Terminal Fee | 2,100.00 |
| OLIGER SEED CO | Maintenance Supplies | 20.28 |
| OREILLY AUTO ENTERPRISES LLC | Vehicle & Equipment Supplies | 755.42 |
| OSBORN ENGINEERING COMPANY | Freedom Trail Design Services | 3,787.96 |
| OSCAR BRUGMANN SAND & GRAVEL INC | Maintenance Materials | 840.38 |
| OUTDOOR HOME SERVICES HOLDINGS LLC | Maintenance Materials | 490.00 |
| PHILLIPS, MICHAEL L | Maintenance Supply Reimbursement | 14.00 |
| PPG ARCHITECTURAL FINISHES INC | Maintenance Supplies | 237.89 |
| PRAIRIE MOON NURSERY | Maintenance Materials | 100.00 |
| PROBE TECHNOLOGIES LTD | Computer Services | 18,483.25 |
| PROFESSIONAL SERVICE INDUSTRIES INC | Construction Testing | 1,865.50 |
| RCR WASTE MANAGEMENT LLC | Composting Service | 104.64 |
| REFRIGERATION SALES CORP | Maintenance Materials | 1,158.50 |
| REPROS INC | Composting Signs | 117.00 |
| REPUBLIC SERVICES INC | Disposal Services | 3,742.75 |
| ROBERTSON OIL COMPANY LLC | Disposal Services | 1,741.60 |
| ROBERTSON ENTERPRISES LLC | Cabinet Finishing Service | 100.00 |
| ROBERTSON HEATING SUPPLY CO | Maintenance Materials | 395.41 |
| ROETZEL & ANDRESS LPA | Legal Services | 306.00 |
| ROHR, RYAN CHRISTOPHER | Wildlife Management | 300.00 |
| SACKMANN STAMP AND STENCIL CO INC | Maintenance Supplies | 12.98 |
| SANTMYER ENERGY INC | Fuel Service | 16,945.27 |
| SAYRE, STANLEY | Native Plant Management | 11,582.29 |
| SECURITAS ELECTRONIC SECURITY INC | Security Monitoring Services | 19,951.64 |
| SHELLY MATERIALS INC | Maintenance Materials | 225.90 |
| SOHARS ALL SEASON MOWER SERVICE INC | Equipment Supplies | 1,882.58 |
| SUMMA HEALTH SYSTEM | Physician Services | 150.00 |
| SUMMA HEALTH SYSTEM | Annual Audiometric Testing | 1,460.00 |
| SUMMIT C&D DISPOSAL INC | Disposal Services | 120.00 |
| SUMMIT COUNTY OH | Animal Control Services | 1,450.00 |
| SUMMIT IT SOLUTIONS INC | Annual Website Hosting | 2,600.00 |
| SUMMIT METRO PARKS | Visa & FSA Reimbursement - December 2024 | 34,154.46 |
| SUMMIT METRO PARKS | Visa & FSA Reimbursement - January 2025 | 51,465.56 |
| STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA | Dental Claims & Administration | 7,034.03 |
| TERRY LUMBER & SUPPLY CO | Maintenance Materials | 144.15 |
| ULINE INC | Maintenance Materials | 892.12 |
| VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC | Wireless Services | 6,667.57 |
| VILLAGE OF RICHFIELD | Sewer Service | 753.78 |
| VISUAL EDGE IT INC | Copier Service | 33.58 |
| W W GRAINGER INC | Maintenance Supplies & Materials | 777.76 |

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| WARREN PUMP & SUPPLY CO | Maintenance Materials | 609.91 |
| WASTE MANAGEMENT OF OHIO INC | Disposal Services | 1,526.42 |
| WATER INDUSTRIES INC | Program Supplies | 68.00 |
| WERTZ GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING INC | Construction Monitoring & Test | 4,210.60 |
| WEST PUBLISHING CORP | Ranger Software | 215.25 |
| WILBERTS AUTO PARTS NE OHIO LLC | Vehicle Supplies | 700.00 |
| WKYC TV LLC | Advertising | 980.76 |
| WL TUCKER SUPPLY COMPANY | Maintenance Supplies & Materials | 270.40 |
| ZAK, REBECCA MAY | Program Supply Reimbursement | 29.42 |
| ZIEGLER TIRE & SUPPLY CO | Vehicle & Equipment Tires | 3,939.88 |
| ZORO TOOLS INC | Maintenance Supplies | 93.48 |
| | | 948,431.05 |