

AGENDA  
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS  
SUMMIT METRO PARKS  
JUNE 9, 2026

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of May 12, 2026 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. Alternative Tax Budget for 2027
  - C. Authorization to Approve Summit Metro Parks Volunteer Time Off Policy
  - D. Authorization to Amend Summit Metro Parks Policies and Employee Handbook
  - E. Authorization to Enter Into Contract for Building New Covered Bins at Sand Run Field Office
  - F. Authorization to Award a Contract for Design of a Bridle Trail Extension Over the Silver Creek Bridge
  - G. Authorization to Increase Contract for District Wide Restroom Replacement to Include Pavement Changes
7. Unfinished/Old Business & New Business
8. Correspondence & Public Portion
9. Executive Session
10. Future Board Meeting Dates/Adjourn

June 9, 2026

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, June 9, 2026, at 11:30 A.M., at the F.A. Seiberling Nature Realm, 1828 Smith Rd., Akron, OH 44313.

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ITEM 1: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was opened by Herbert Newman, Chair, with the recital of the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

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ITEM 2: ROLL CALL

Roll call showed Herbert Newman, Chair, Joel D. Bailey, First Vice-Chair, Jill M. Stritch, Second Vice-Chair, S. Theresa Carter, Member, and Lisa M. King, Executive Director. Also in attendance were Jen Harvey, Dee Falconer, Lindsay Smith, Aaron Hockman, Mark Szeremet, Angie Hardman, Josh Hamblen, Dale Fobean, Alex Daw, Dave Kamps, Claire Merrick, Kevin Ruegg, Becca Zac, Dante Weiksner, Jason Whittle, Bonnie Burhoe, Dan Rice, Catherine Timko, Mike Klein, Becca Ritterspach and Jay Jordan.

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ITEM 3: APPROVAL OF MAY 12, 2026 PREVIOUS BOARD MINUTES

Resolution 61.2026

Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Bailey, seconded by Ms. Carter, that the minutes of the May 12, 2026, board meeting were approved. The previous minutes were emailed for the Commissioners' review.

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

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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.

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ITEM 5: ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

- None

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ITEM 6: CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 62.2026

Following discussion, it was moved by Ms. Carter, 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:

Herbert Newman

Joel D. Bailey

Jill M. Stritch

Rev. Dr. Curtis T. Walker Sr.

S. Theresa Carter

Aye

Abstain

Aye

Absent

Aye

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A. RATIFICATION OF BILLS PAID

|               |              |                |
|---------------|--------------|----------------|
| OPERS         | May 2026     | \$138,724.77   |
| Medicare      | May 2026     | \$13,513.81    |
| Interim Bills | May, 2026    | \$848,547.44   |
| Payroll       | May 8, 2026  | \$474,013.63   |
| Payroll       | May 22, 2026 | \$474,522.71   |
| TOTAL         | BALANCE      | \$1,949,322.36 |

Resolution 63.2026

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

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B. ALTERNATIVE TAX BUDGET FOR 2027

**WHEREAS**, Summit Metro Parks is required to file an Alternative Tax Budget with the Budget Commission of the Summit County Fiscal Office on an annual basis. The Alternative Tax Budget serves as the preliminary budget for the park district until the final budget is adopted in March 2027.

**WHEREAS**, the total General Fund revenue estimated for appropriation is forty-four million, two hundred sixty-eight, two hundred ninety-six dollars (\$44,268,296), including estimated revenues of twenty-eight million, three hundred thousand dollars (\$28,300,000) and an estimated 2026 unencumbered fund balance of fifteen million, nine hundred sixty-eight, two hundred ninety-six dollars (\$15,968,296).

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by Summit Metro Parks, the Fiscal Officer was authorized and directed to complete and certify an Alternative Tax Budget, send said budget and a copy of this resolution to the Summit County Fiscal Office.

Resolution 64.2026

The Fiscal Officer was authorized to complete and certify the Alternative Tax Budget for 2027.

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C. AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE SUMMIT METRO PARKS VOLUNTEER TIME OFF POLICY

The purpose of the Volunteerism Policy for Summit Metro Parks is to support activities that enhance and serve communities within Summit County in which we live and work and the issues that impact quality of life. Employees are encouraged to volunteer for up to eight hours per year in the community at non-profit 501c3 organizations in order to maintain a connection to the community, develop their skills and talents, and to promote Summit Metro Parks’ commitment to giving back to the community. At the same time, Summit Metro Parks recognizes that participating in these sorts of activities enriches the lives of its employees. The policy was provided to Board of Park Commissioners for review.

The Executive Director requested authorization to approve the Volunteer Time Off Policy be adopted June 9, 2026.

Resolution 65.2026

The Executive Director was authorized to approve the Volunteer Time Off Policy be adopted June 9, 2026.

## **D. AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND SUMMIT METRO PARKS POLICIES AND EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK**

The Executive Director requested authorization to make updates effective June 9th, 2026, to the following:

### SUMMIT METRO PARKS POLICIES:

#### Drugs & Alcohol Policy

- Minor vocabulary/grammar updates and aspects of procedures we already follow.

#### Bereavement Leave Policy

- Amending and adding policy to include PTYR leave eligibility for Legal Spouse/Domestic Partner and Immediate Family, Miscarriage.

#### Vacation Buy Back

- Amending buy back to align w/ vacation policy amended in 2025.

#### Technology Policy

- Amending verbiage to align with cyber security policy.

### EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK:

#### Core Values

- Replace w/ updated core values determined from strategic plan.

#### Respectful Workplace & Anti-Violence Policy

- Replacing Weapons Free Workplace/Workplace Violence Policy revised in 2023.

#### Probationary Period

- Adjusting external probationary period from 1 year to 180 days.

#### Employee Codes of Conduct

- Removing 22: Not signing Metro Parks documents such as job description, job evaluations, written warning, etc.
- Revising 38: Working another job while absent from Metro Parks on scheduled workdays or while working on the clock.

#### Artificial Intelligence

- Adopting new guideline (see attached)

#### Drug & Alcohol Policy

- Minor vocabulary/grammar updates and aspects of procedures we already follow.

#### Hours of Work, Timekeeping and Overtime

- Adjusting required meal period from within 5 hours to within 6 hours

#### Pay Period

- Updating portal access information

#### Holidays and Personal Days

- Adjusting administrative employees use of holidays from 30 days to 60 days and paid out on 61st day if not used.

#### Tuition Reimbursement

- Adding Tuition Reimbursement Policy to Handbook

#### Optional Employee Fitness Testing

- Adding fitness testing

#### Volunteer Time Off

- Adding new adopted Volunteer Time Off Policy



Paid Parental Leave

- Separating Paid Parental Leave into its own section and amending to be given 80 hours immediately post birth (based on past precedence)

Bereavement Leave

- Amending and adding policy to include PTYR leave eligibility for Legal Spouse/Domestic Partner and Immediate Family, Miscarriage.

Note: Other miscellaneous grammatical, spelling and vocabulary adjustments were made.

Resolution 66.2026

The Executive Director was authorized to amend Summit Metro Parks Policies and Employee Handbook.

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**E. AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT FOR BUILDING NEW COVERED BINS AT SAND RUN FIELD OFFICE**

The covered material storage bins at Sand Run need replacement due to their age and condition. Materials for a steel/fabric roofing structure will be purchased through the cooperative purchasing program Sourcewell (RFP #071223) and constructed in-house.

Summary of quote:

Accu-Steel                      \$37,440.00

The Executive Director requested authorization to purchase materials from Accu-Steel, for the quoted amount of \$37,440.00 and requests an additional 10% contingency, at a cost not to exceed \$41,184.00.

Resolution 67.2026

The Executive Director was authorized to purchase materials from Accu-Steel, for the quoted amount of \$37,440.00 and the additional 10% contingency, at a cost not to exceed \$41,184.00.

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**F. AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD A CONTRACT FOR DESIGN OF A BRIDLE TRAIL EXTENSION OVER THE SILVER CREEK BRIDGE**

The Summit County Engineer is in the process of designing a bridge replacement for the Medina Line Road bridge over Silver Creek. Summit Metro Parks is seeking to partner with the Engineer’s Office to expand the roadway shoulder and widen the bridge to accommodate an extension of the bridle trail at the Silver Creek Metro Park. The extension will also serve to close the loop on the Miner’s Trail.

A proposal has been obtained from the engineer of record for the bridge project, MS Consultants, for \$38,554. The scope of work would include survey, trail design, environmental permitting, and bidding phase services. The trail extension would be constructed as part of the bridge replacement project.

The Executive Director requested authorization to sign a contract with MS Consultants for the Silver Creek Bridle Trail/Miner’s Loop Extension project in the amount of \$38,554.00 and requests an additional 10% contingency, for a total cost not to exceed \$42,500.00.

Resolution 68.2026

The Executive Director was authorized to sign a contract with MS Consultants for the Silver Creek Bridle Trail/Miner’s Loop Extension project in the amount of \$38,554.00 and requests an additional 10% contingency, for a total cost not to exceed \$42,500.00.

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**G. AUTHORIZATION TO INCREASE CONTRACT FOR DISTRICT WIDE RESTROOM REPLACEMENT TO INCLUDE PAVEMENT CHANGES**

In September of 2025, the Board of Park Commissioners authorized the Planning Department staff to award The GPD Group with a contract for engineering, design, assembling of construction documents, permitting, and bidding assistance for the District Wide Restroom Replacement project consisting of Sand Run Metro Park - Old Portage Area, O’Neil Woods Metro Park, Sand Run Metro Park – Big Bend Area, and Goodyear Metro Park – Pioneer area. The work was to be performed on an hourly basis, not to exceed \$265,000. The Executive Director requested changes to the pavement for the trailhead restroom sites for Sand Run Metro Park – Old Portage Area and O’Neil Woods Metro Park. The GPD Group provided a lump sum quote of \$12,300 to perform changes to the construction documents.

The Executive Director requested authorization to increase the contract with The GPD Group to include the desired changes at an additional cost of \$12,300, making the total contract amount \$277,300.

Resolution 69.2026

The Executive Director was authorized to increase the contract with The GPD Group to include the desired changes at an additional cost of \$12,300, making the total contract amount \$277,300.

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**ITEM 7: UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS**

- None

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**NEW BUSINESS**

- None

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**ITEM 8: CORRESPONDENCE**

- None

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**PUBLIC PORTION**

- Jay Jordan,  
Expanding Conservation Efforts
- Carol Rinaldo - Speaker was not present  
Sandhurst Rd., Erosion
- Dan Rice,  
Ohio and Erie Canalway Coalition

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

I ask for a Motion that the Board of Park Commissioners adjourn to Executive Session to consider appointment, employment, discipline, investigation, promotion, demotion/compensation of a Summit Metro Parks employee, O.R.C. §121.22, (G) (1); the purchase of property for a public purpose pursuant to O.R.C. §121.22, (G) (2); to confer with counsel concerning disputes that are the subject of pending litigation and imminent litigation pursuant to O.R.C. §121.22, (G) (3); and to prepare for discussions with public employees concerning terms and conditions of employment pursuant to O.R.C. §121.22, (G) (4).

Resolution 70.2026

Following discussion, it was moved by Ms. Stritch, seconded by Ms. Carter, that the Board of Park Commissioners adjourn to executive session.

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| ROLL CALL VOTE | Herbert Newman                | Aye    |
|                | Joel D. Bailey                | Aye    |
|                | Jill M. Stritch               | Aye    |
|                | Rev. Dr. Curtis T. Walker Sr. | Absent |
|                | S. Theresa Carter             | Aye    |

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Resolution 71.2026

Following discussion, it was moved by Ms. Stritch, seconded by Ms. Carter, that the Board of Park Commissioners return to open session.

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| ROLL CALL VOTE | Herbert Newman                | Aye    |
|                | Joel D. Bailey                | Aye    |
|                | Jill M. Stritch               | Aye    |
|                | Rev. Dr. Curtis T. Walker Sr. | Absent |
|                | S. Theresa Carter             | Aye    |

The Board returned to open session.

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Resolution 72.2026

Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Bailey, seconded by Ms. Carter, that the Executive Director was authorized to approve the Summit Metro Parks Cybersecurity Policy.

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

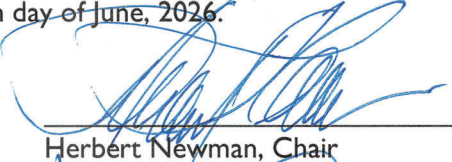
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ITEM 10: FUTURE BOARD MEETING DATES

- Tuesday, July 14, 2026 at 11:30 a.m. – F. A. Seiberling Nature Realm
- Tuesday, August 11, 2026 at 11:30 a.m. – F. A. Seiberling Nature Realm
- Tuesday, September 8, 2026 at 11:30 a.m. – F. A. Seiberling Nature Realm (Foundation)
- Tuesday, October 13, 2026 at 11:30 a.m. – F. A. Seiberling Nature Realm
- Tuesday, November 10, 2026 at 11:30 a.m. – F. A. Seiberling Nature Realm (Foundation)
- Tuesday, December 8, 2026 at 11:30 a.m. – F. A. Seiberling Nature Realm

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There being no further business to transact, the meeting adjourned IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hand, this 9th day of June, 2026.

  
Herbert Newman, Chair

  
Lisa M. King, Executive Director

True copies emailed to all Commissioners on June 12, 2026.



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ITEM 4: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORTS

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COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

|                     | North Region | Central Region | South Region | Administrative Office |
|---------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| Public Programs     | 20           | 33             | 24           |                       |
| Outreach Programs   | 8            | 9              | 1            |                       |
| Program Attendance  | 1231         | 1046           | 522          |                       |
| Phone Calls         | 85           | 196            | 56           | 1506                  |
| Building Visitation | 2590         | 5084           | 1146         | 115                   |

- South Region: In May, Summit Lake Nature Center welcomed school group visitors, community gardeners, and new employees! 66 sixth graders from Akron Public School District (East, Litchfield and Innes Middle Schools) attended Career Explorations at Firestone Metro Park to learn about different park career options with seven different SMP departments represented.
- North Region: Liberty Park Nature Center (LPNC) had a strong month of engaging our community in May, including a new outreach partnership with Ledgeview Elementary in Macedonia, where staff provided assembly-style programs for all K–4 students, reaching 420 children. The second year of Tents & Tales for Tots welcomed 62 participants for a drop-in style introduction to camping for young children and their adults, while the first of three summer concerts at the Liberty Park amphitheater drew 210 attendees. Looking ahead to June, LPNC staff are excited to debut a prototype “Pop-Up Nature Center” at Furnace Run Brushwood Lodge, inspired by a team-building Lunch & Learn collaboration between LPNC naturalists and the Furnace Run Operations crew.
- Central Region: The Nature Realm staff are excited to welcome the completion of a new, non-reservable shelter for programming and public use. There is also a new accessible water fountain located near the Rock and Herb garden for your convenience. When hiking or attending a program, plan a quick meal in the new shelter located off of the parking lot.



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CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT

- Three working groups were established through our Strategic Plan to help guide future conservation efforts across Metro Parks: **Biodiversity**, **Ecosystem Services**, and **Cultural Landscapes**. The Biodiversity Working Group held its kickoff meeting on June 2, with strong participation from many municipal and county partners.
- All Citizen Science trainings have been completed.
- Jason Whittle was promoted to Supervisor of Wildlife Resources.
- Wildlife management activities included coyote awareness outreach at Firestone Metro Park and planning for goose management along the Towpath Trail at Summit Lake and Clinton.
- Conservation staff are working with Ohio Department of Transportation, City of Twinsburg, and Summit County Engineer on protecting a colony of endangered bats roosting in a bridge in Twinsburg. The bridge is planned for replacement.



- The Native Plant Festival was held on May 16 and was well attended.
- Summit Metro Parks, The Akron Garden Club, and the Akron-Summit County Public Library co-hosted a climate change speaker presentation in May.

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HUMAN RESOURCES

MILESTONE ANNIVERSARIES:

- 30 Years of Service: Chief of Planning & Development, Mark Szeremet
- 10 Years of Service: Watershed Resource Specialist, Elaine Marsh; Community Engagement Specialist, Sharon Stump
- 5 Years of Service: Crew Leader, Andrew Hagat; Horticulturalist Maggie Margulies

NEW HIRES:

- Emily Becker as PTYR Interpretive Naturalist
- Brandi Hudak as PTYR Interpretive Naturalist
- Nicholas Riggs as PTYR Park Technician
- Cameron Weiler as PTYR Park Technician

SEASONALS:

We are continuing to hire remaining seasonal positions for Community Engagement (4/5 positions), Conservation (10/10 positions) and Operations (40/51 positions) departments for the 2026 spring/summer seasons.

POSTINGS:

- 05/12/26: Park Technician I- Sand Run (2)
- 05/12/26: Park Technician III (Internal/External)
- 05/19/26: Park Biologist
- 05/28/26: Park Technician III (External only)

VOLUNTEER PROGRAM UPDATES:

- **Reoccurring Volunteer Engagement** | In May 2026, 140 reoccurring volunteers reported 1,170 hours for an average of 8 hours per volunteer. Volunteers participated in 28 assignments across seven departments.
- **Episodic Volunteer Engagement** | 17 episodic volunteers contributed 53 hours assisting with seed packet assembly, native bed care and the Mother’s Day 5K and Native Plant Festival special events. Employees from Summit Construction assisted in staining picnic tables at Sand Run to be used this upcoming summer season.
- **Group Interest** | Since the start of the new year, 55 requests have been submitted by corporate or youth groups looking for service opportunities this spring. So far, 15 have a confirmed project.
- **Coming up** | Volunteers (16) and staff (4) trained for the Cycling Without Age adaptive bike ride upcoming season either as a pilot or escort. The first events where rides will be provided are June 2 and 10 and Munroe Falls Metro Park.



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MARKETING & COMMUNICATIONS

- **This June**, the Marketing department is focused on:
  - Continuation (through June 30) of Spree for All event promotions
  - Launching a July 1 public awarness campaign for the effort to “Free the Falls” in Gorge Metro Park
  - Developing materials to support this year’s Fall Hiking Spree theme: *The Living Landscape*



- **Media coverage in May** included mentions or stories in the following outlets: Akron Beacon Journal (SMP police name and uniform transition, coyote den near Firestone Metro Park, Signal Tree update, Akron Roundtable speakers), Cleveland.com (Ensemble concert series, The University of Akron Unclasses; HiHO Wild Back Yards pale-ale release), Fox 8 News (coyote den near Firestone Metro Park), Greater Cleveland Sports Commission (registration open for USATF cross country champions), MSN.com (coyote den near Firestone Metro Park), NewsBreak (Ensemble concert series, Fairlawn City Council accepts funds for Greenway project, SMP joins public education campaign about property tax elimination, coyote den near Firestone Metro Park, Mother's Day 5K), Record-Courier (Summit County dispatch center disruption), Signal Akron (SMP joins public education campaign about property tax elimination, Summit Lake NorthShore Park grand opening, Native Plant Festival, Akron Marathon), Spectrum News (coyote den near Firestone Metro Park), Substack (programs), The Alliance Review (Summit County dispatch center disruption), The Daily Record (Rittman grant for bike and pedestrian plan to connect with BHT and Munroe Falls Metro Park), West Side Leader (county approves funding toward SR93 sewer extension), WEWS-TV (coyote den near Firestone Metro Park), WHLO-AM (Ensemble concert series), WKYC-TV (SMP police assisting with person search, coyote den near Firestone Metro Park) and Yahoo! News (SMP police assisting with person search).
- Last month, Summit Metro Parks was recognized with an **Akron-Summit Convention & Visitors Bureau Zenith Award – Hospitality Impact** for the Cross-Country Course at Silver Creek Metro Park.
- Our team supported **several large events in May**, including the Native Plant Festival (5/16) which had its best attendance year yet. We also kicked off the Metro Parks Ensemble's 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary season on 5/26 with a well-attended show at Goodyear Heights Metro Park. This year, the Metro Parks Ensemble will sport new uniform shirts thanks to support from the Summit Metro Parks Foundation.
- **Maple Leaf Gifts** processed more than \$9,400 in May thanks to several pop-up events including the Native Plant Festival. Over the past year, staff have found that pop-up and/or offsite events have generated a good portion of the shop's sales. The team is busy curating new products for the summer, including a new "parks are for all" T-shirt design that will debut in August and a lake sturgeon plush (right) that will debut when staff release live fish into the Cuyahoga River at a special event on September 19.



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## OPERATIONS

- **Trail Repairs & Improvements:** The Downy Loop Trail improvement project will resume in late June. Staff are replacing a bridge on Pheasant Run Trail with a culvert and repairing bridge approaches along the southern Towpath Trail. We are preparing to replace 300' of boardwalk on Redwing Trail and 130' of boardwalk on Alder Trail and obtaining quotes to replace entrance timbers and boardwalk decking along F. A. Seiberling Nature Realm Visitors Centers walkway.
- **Lodge Improvements & Repairs:** Replacing the Coventry Oaks HVAC unit and improving delivery access for Himelright Lodge renters.
- **Shelter Repairs:** Replacing structural posts at all three Munroe Falls Lake Area shelters is scheduled to start June 22. Replacing roofs at the Sherman, White Spar, and Mountain Bike Trail shelters in June/July.
- **SMP annual asphalt preservation program:** The program is underway and includes crack sealing, repairs, repainting parking lot lines and ADA parking spaces.
- **Events:** Crews are preparing grounds for upcoming June events, including the Kid's Fishing Derby (June 20) and Special Needs Fishing Derby (June 23).



**Seasonal Facility Hours:**

- **Nimisila Campground Office:** Open Fridays and Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (May 22 – September 5).
- **Silver Creek Boat House:** Open weekends and holidays, 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. (May 23 – August 16).

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**PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

**Construction:**

- **Central Maintenance Facility – Main Building.** Construction is on-going with the roof, interior finishes and electrical/mechanical utilities being installed; site work removals have started. Anticipated completion in Fall.
- **Freedom Trail – Phase 4a.** Trail work has started up again in downtown Akron. We are wrapping up lights for completed trail. University Avenue is closed for bridge work.
- **Freedom Trail – Southwest Bridge (Tallmadge):** The existing bridge was removed due to age and high maintenance and replaced with a precast concrete box culvert. Project is complete and open to the public, please see photo on right:
- **Nature Realm – Open Shelter Area:** Utility (Water and Electric) work. Water Fountain moved from near the Rock & Herb Garden to parking lot to meet ADA standards. Shelter has been erected. Some concrete paving installed. Anticipated completion in Summer.
- **Sand Run Parkway Paving Project (Ford to Revere Road):** Mid-June start with work to take 60 days. Anticipated Completion in August for Marathon.



**Design/Engineering:**

- **Valley View Bridges:** Design development submittal review. Future Towpath re-route discussion with partners.
- **Summit Lake Perennial Garden (Teardrop):** Construction documents have been prepared for Fall 2026 construction.
- **District Wide Restroom Replacement (O’Neil Woods/Old Portage Area):** Pavement re-design with consultant for late summer bidding.
- **Silver Creek Play Area:** Preliminary design with Midstates. Internal meeting was held to present our design and updating design to incorporate ideas.
- **Munroe Falls Freedom Trail Connector:** Wetlands (Conservation), bid in Fall for 2027

**Planning:**

- **Sand Run Ford Removal:** Reviewing qualifications to find consultant.
- **Silver Creek Bridle Trail Reroute:** Evaluating/negotiating proposal fees from consultant to prepare bridle/Miners’ trail reroute across the Medina Line Road bridge.
- **Highbridge Trail - Structure Study (ravine crossing):** Received draft report. Reviewing comments on options and associated cost. Keep or remove bridge structure TBD.
- **Gorge Metro Park Master Plan:** Looking into future development of trails and restoration.
- **Central Maintenance Facility - Puzzle Building:** Consultant (Bowen) hired, carpentry, police, and regional managers occupants. Kick-off meeting scheduled in June.



- Summit County Trail & Greenway Plan:** We are in the process of updating the plan which identifies trails and greenways in Summit County.
- ADA Transition Plan:** Planning Department is working to identify and prioritize ADA projects across the park district. We are currently working on a GIS/database system that will help us keep track with progress, location and type of project. With the help of our operations department, we are revamping our current kiosks to be ADA accessible across all parks. Current Construction/Design/Planning projects also are integrating ADA projects within the scope.

| GRANT ACTIVITY                                           |                                              |                     |
|----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| <b>Grants-Pending: (Application made, awaiting word)</b> |                                              |                     |
| Clean Ohio Trail Fund                                    | Sagamore Connector Trail                     | \$ 250,000          |
| <b>Total</b>                                             |                                              | <b>\$ 250,000</b>   |
| <b>Grants-Awarded:</b>                                   |                                              |                     |
| O&ECC - Summit County Community Grant                    | Engineering/Design of Silver Creek Trail     | \$ 10,000           |
| Clean Ohio Conservation Fund                             | Slipper Run Conservation Area                | \$ 1,730,000        |
| Ohio & Erie Canalway Association                         | Big Bend Trailhead Upgrades                  | \$ 20,000           |
| ODNR Division of Forestry                                | Rx STEP 2025-10                              | \$ 3,333            |
| Summit County Community Grant                            | Western Access to Cuyahoga Valley            | \$ 10,000           |
| Ohio & Erie Canalway Association                         | Sagamore Hills Trail Engineering and Design  | \$ 20,000           |
| Clean Ohio Trail Fund                                    | Freedom Trail Phase 4                        | \$ 500,000          |
| FHWA - AMATS                                             | Freedom Trail Phase 4 (2024)                 | \$ 700,000          |
| O&ECC - Summit County Community Grant                    | Freedom Trail Phase 4 Engineering and Design | \$ 5,000            |
| <b>Total</b>                                             |                                              | <b>\$ 2,998,333</b> |

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POLICE DEPARTMENT

|                  | Total     |
|------------------|-----------|
| Incident Reports | 42        |
| Foot Patrol      | 646 Hours |
| Visitor Contacts | 3025      |

- On May 4, Sergeant Rebecca Deem was promoted to Lieutenant. Lieutenant Deem has consistently demonstrated professionalism, dedication, and a strong commitment to serving our park district. Her ability to lead by example, support fellow officers, and engage professionally with the community has made a meaningful impact on our park district. Lieutenant Deem will assume expanded leadership responsibilities and we are confident she will continue to serve with integrity, accountability, and professionalism in this new role.
- On May 10 and 16, the following officers provided both crowd and traffic control at the Summit Metro Parks Mother’s Day 5K and Native Plant Festival at Munroe Falls Metro Park: Chief Josh Hamblen, Capt. Kevin Williams, Lt. Rebecca Deem, Sgt. Joe Gmerek, Officers Daniel Krieger, Chris Lloyd, Kelly Brown, Spencer Forshey, Mangers Mark Smalley, Paul Meeker, and Regional Manager Dave Kamps.
- During the month of May, Officer Rob Tanner conducted safety programs at Arrowhead Primary School- Copley, Highland Elementary School- Stow, and Lakeview Middle School- Stow. Students were able to learn how to be safe when visiting the park and about the job duties of officers within the park district.
- During the week of May 11-15, Spring Fitness Assessments were conducted for all employees within the park district. A total of 32 employees participated in the assessment and upon passing receive an incentive PTO day. Another assessment will be conducted in the Fall.
- On May 15, Officers Daniel Krieger and Kelsey Keys represented the Police Department for the Light Ohio Blue caravan. This event occurs during National Police Week which offers honor, remembrance, and peer support, while allowing law enforcement, survivors, and citizens to gather and pay homage to those who gave their lives in the line of duty.
- On May 19-21, department firearms instructors conducted basic patrol rifle training for officers. All officers are required to complete this training to carry a patrol rifle on duty.

TRAINING

- OACP Chiefs In-Service & Annual Conference  
When: May 3-5, 2026  
Attendee: Chief Josh Hamblen
- FBI- LEEDA Command Leadership Institute  
When: May 11-15, 2026  
Attendee: Lt. Rebecca Deem
- OTOA Tactical Operations and Public Safety Conference  
When: June 8-12, 2026  
Attendees: Sgt. Joe Gmerek, Officers Rob Tanner, Kelly Brown, and Travis Hiegel

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2026 MONTHLY WORK FORCE REPORT, SUMMIT METRO PARKS

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| Full Time Employees, Job Positions            |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Accounting/Payroll Manager (1)                | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Accounting/Payroll Specialist (1)             | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Administrative Office Mgr/Executive Asst. (1) | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Assistant Park Manager (2)                    | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Assistant Purchasing Manager (1)              | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Food Manager (1)                              | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Janitor (1)                                   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Chief of Community Engagement (1)             | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Chief of Conservation (1)                     | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Chief of Finance (1)                          | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Chief of Human Resources & Admin (1)          | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Chief of Marketing & Communications (1)       | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Chief of Operations (1)                       | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Chief of Planning (1)                         | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Chief of Philanthropy (1)                     | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Chief of Police (1)                           | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Civil Engineer/Construction Supervisor (1)    | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Community Engagement Coordinator (3)          | 3   | 3   | 3   | 3   | 3   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Community Engagement Manager (3)              | 3   | 3   | 3   | 3   | 3   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Community Engagement Specialists (2)          | 2   | 2   | 2   | 2   | 2   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Crew Leader I (9)                             | 9   | 9   | 9   | 9   | 9   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Crew Leader II (3)                            | 3   | 3   | 3   | 3   | 3   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Cultural Resource Specialist (1)              | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Customer Service Rep (2)                      | 2   | 2   | 2   | 2   | 2   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Donor Relations Coordinator (1)               | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Donor Relations Specialist (1)                | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Executive Director (1)                        | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Events Specialist (1)                         | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Facilities Manager (1)                        | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Firearm Industry Crew Leader (1)              | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Forestry Technician (1)                       | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Graphic Designer (2)                          | 2   | 2   | 2   | 2   | 2   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Horticulturalist (1)                          | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Human Resources Coordinator (1)               | 0   | 0   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Human Resources Manager (1)                   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Interpretive Artist (1)                       | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Interpretive Naturalist (6)                   | 6   | 6   | 6   | 6   | 6   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Land Compliance Project Manager (1)           | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Landscape Architect (1)                       | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Lead Mechanic (1)                             | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Lead Naturalist (1)                           | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Maintenance/Utility Technician (2)            | 2   | 2   | 2   | 2   | 2   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Manager Volunteer Programs (1)                | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Marketing Assistant (1)                       | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Marketing & Public Relations Manager (1)      | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Marketing Specialist (1)                      | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Mechanic (1)                                  | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Mechanic - Small Engine (1)                   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Natural Resources Project Manager (1)         | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Operations Project Manager (2)                | 2   | 2   | 2   | 2   | 2   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Operations Service Manager (1)                | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Ornamental Biologist (3)                      | 3   | 3   | 3   | 3   | 2   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Ornamental Manager I (3)                      | 3   | 3   | 3   | 3   | 3   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Park Manager II (8)                           | 8   | 8   | 8   | 8   | 8   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Park Planner (1)                              | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Park Technician I (36)                        | 36  | 36  | 37  | 36  | 35  |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |



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|--------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Park Technician II (1)                     | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 1   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Park Technician III (5)                    | 4   | 4   | 4   | 4   | 4   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Planning & Development Project Manager (1) | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Police Captain (1)                         | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Police Lieutenant (1)                      | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 1   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Police Officer (20)                        | 18  | 18  | 18  | 18  | 18  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Police Sergeant (3)                        | 2   | 2   | 2   | 2   | 1   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Purchasing Manager (1)                     | 2   | 2   | 1   | 1   | 1   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Regional Manager (2)                       | 2   | 2   | 2   | 2   | 2   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sales Supervisor (1)                       | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Supervisor of Cultural Resources (1)       | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Supervisor of Ecological Resources (1)     | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Supervisor of Wildlife Resources (1)       | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 1   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Trail Crew Leader (1)                      | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Trail Technician (1)                       | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Utility Technician (1)                     | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Volunteer Coordinator (1)                  | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total Full-Time Hired                      | 162 | 162 | 163 | 162 | 162 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total FT Authorized                        | 170 | 170 | 170 | 170 | 170 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Part-Time, Year Round Employees            |     |     |     |     |     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Accounting Specialist (1)                  | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Civil Engineer/Construction Supervisor (1) | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cultural Resource Specialist (1)           | 0   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Community Engagement Specialist (6)        | 5   | 6   | 6   | 6   | 6   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Customer Service Rep (1)                   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Interpretive Naturalist (6)                | 6   | 6   | 6   | 4   | 6   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Outreach Program Assistant (1)             | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Outreach Technician (11)                   | 11  | 10  | 9   | 9   | 11  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wildlife Biologist (3)                     | 3   | 3   | 3   | 3   | 3   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sales Assistant (2)                        | 2   | 2   | 2   | 2   | 2   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Watershed Resource Specialist (1)          | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total Part-Time, Year-Round Hired          | 31  | 32  | 31  | 29  | 33  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total PT, YR Authorized                    | 34  | 34  | 34  | 34  | 34  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Seasonal Employees                         |     |     |     |     |     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Community Engagement                       | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 3   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Conservation                               | 5   | 4   | 5   | 7   | 12  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Operations                                 | 5   | 3   | 4   | 5   | 30  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total Seasonal Hired                       | 10  | 7   | 9   | 12  | 45  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total Seasonal Authorized                  | 104 | 104 | 104 | 104 | 104 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Casual Employees                           |     |     |     |     |     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ranger (5)                                 | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Visitor Engagement Specialists (0)         | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total Casual Hired                         | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total Casual Authorized                    | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Intern Employees                           |     |     |     |     |     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total Interns Hired                        | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total Interns Authorized (9)               | 9   | 9   | 9   | 9   | 9   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                            |     |     |     |     |     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Grand Total Hired Employees                | 203 | 201 | 203 | 203 | 240 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Grand Total Employees Authorized           | 322 | 322 | 322 | 322 | 322 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                            |     |     |     |     |     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Summit Metro Parks

May 28, 2026

I certify approval for payment of the vouchers listed:

| Vendor                                     | Description                       | Amount    |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| 4 IMPRINT INC                              | Gift Shop Items                   | 517.67    |
| A & B TENT RENTAL INC                      | Native Plant Festival Tent Rental | 1,030.00  |
| ABC PORTA THRONES                          | Portable Restroom Rental          | 1,540.00  |
| ADOBE INC                                  | Computer Software                 | 319.08    |
| AG PRO OHIO LLC                            | Equipment Supplies                | 18.26     |
| AKRON TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT INC              | Equipment Supplies                | 1,114.50  |
| AKRON TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT INC              | Kubota Tractor                    | 41,476.76 |
| AKRON UNIFORMS                             | Uniforms                          | 1,407.50  |
| ALCO CHEM INC                              | Cleaning & Sanitary Supplies      | 992.21    |
| ALL TOWN & COUNTRY SEPTIC TANK SERVICE INC | Septic Service                    | 850.00    |
| AMERICAN PRINTING INC                      | Green Islands Printing            | 8,222.00  |
| AMERICAN ELECTRIC SUPPLY CO INC            | Maintenance Materials             | 178.72    |
| APPLE INC                                  | Laptop Computer                   | 2,499.00  |
| ARPAJIAN, RONALD E                         | Conference Reimbursement          | 354.54    |

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| ART SPARKS                                       | Conservation Program                 | 300.00    |
| ARTISTS INC                                      | Critter Character Illustrations      | 2,800.00  |
| ASSUREDPARTNERS CAPITAL INC                      | Liability Insurance                  | 298.00    |
| WELLS POLICE & FIRE EQUIPMENT COMPANY            | Law Enforcement Equipment            | 855.00    |
| AUSTIN IGNITION COMPANY                          | Maintenance Supplies                 | 37.11     |
| BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION BUREAU LLC              | Background Checks                    | 286.75    |
| BAKER VEHICLE SYSTEMS INC                        | Vehicle Supplies                     | 217.95    |
| BASIC BENEFITS LLC                               | FSA & COBRA Administration           | 318.58    |
| BIRDTOWN ADVENTURES LLC                          | Program Supplies                     | 84.80     |
| BUCKEYE UNIFORMS INC                             | Uniforms                             | 436.65    |
| BUCKINGHAM DOOLITTLE & BURROUGHS                 | Legal Services                       | 6,920.00  |
| BULLER, AMELIA                                   | Gift Shop Items                      | 105.00    |
| BZ MOORE INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY INC                   | Maintenance Materials                | 384.86    |
| CHARLES E HARRIS & ASSOCIATES INC                | Audit Engagement Services            | 12,136.00 |
| CHURCHIN, STEVEN C                               | Conservation Survey                  | 870.00    |
| CITY OF AKRON                                    | Water Service                        | 1,182.54  |
| CITY OF AURORA                                   | Water Service                        | 125.13    |
| CITY OF BARBERTON                                | Water Service                        | 100.70    |
| CITY OF CLEVELAND                                | Water Service                        | 158.72    |
| CITY OF CUYAHOGA FALLS                           | Electric & Water Service             | 246.34    |
| CITY OF HUDSON                                   | Electric Service                     | 13.84     |
| CITY OF MUNROE FALLS                             | Water Service                        | 230.29    |
| CITY OF STOW                                     | Water Service                        | 33.43     |
| CITY OF TALLMADGE                                | Water Service                        | 321.85    |
| CLEVELAND VICON CO INC                           | Maintenance Materials                | 285.00    |
| COLIN BAKER                                      | Advertising                          | 2,863.00  |
| COMDOC INC                                       | Copier Service Contract              | 35.40     |
| COPLEY FEED & SUPPLY                             | Maintenance Supplies                 | 266.97    |
| CORE & MAIN LP                                   | Maintenance Materials                | 2,432.20  |
| CTW INC                                          | Maintenance Supplies                 | 290.50    |
| CUSTOM APPAREL ETC LLC                           | Volunteer Uniforms                   | 661.50    |
| D & K MATERIALS INC                              | Maintenance Materials                | 125.60    |
| DATABASE MARKETING INNOVATORS INC                | Mailing Services                     | 149.21    |
| DAYWALT MANAGEMENT LLC                           | Equipment Supplies                   | 1,476.21  |
| DLZ OHIO INC                                     | Boundary Survey                      | 4,656.05  |
| EAKIN, ROBERT                                    | Training Reimbursement               | 146.20    |
| EAST OHIO GAS COMPANY                            | Gas Service                          | 1,353.80  |
| ENTERPRISE FM TRUST                              | Vehicle Lease                        | 50,493.31 |
| EUROFINS ENVIRONMENT TESTING AMERICA HOLDING INC | Water Testing                        | 33.00     |
| EVANS MECHWART HAMBLETON & TILTON INC            | Bridge Design and Permitting         | 70,993.10 |
| EVANS MECHWART HAMBLETON & TILTON INC            | Engineering Services                 | 1,035.48  |
| E-VOLVE CREATIVE GROUP LLC                       | Website Services                     | 5,557.00  |
| FAMOUS DISTRIBUTION INC                          | Maintenance Materials                | 729.79    |
| FASTENAL COMPANY                                 | Maintenance Materials                | 90.43     |
| FIRST COMMUNICATIONS LLC                         | Phone & Internet Services            | 6,302.77  |
| FISHER AUTO PARTS INC                            | Vehicle Supplies                     | 711.28    |
| FISHER SAND & GRAVEL INC                         | Maintenance Materials                | 200.56    |
| FRANCOTYP-POSTALIA INC                           | Postage Meter Rental                 | 144.00    |
| GATEWAY PRODUCTS RECYCLING INC                   | Shredding Service                    | 15.52     |
| GEMPLERS INC                                     | Maintenance Materials                | 323.94    |
| GENUINE PARTS COMPANY                            | Equipment Supplies                   | 289.09    |
| GLAUS PYLE SCHOMER BURNS & DEHAVEN INC           | Restroom Replacement Design Services | 12,334.04 |
| GLAUS PYLE SCHOMER BURNS & DEHAVEN INC           | Trail Structure Study                | 13,188.25 |
| GOOSE DOCTORS LLC                                | Wildlife Management                  | 650.00    |
| GREENES COMPANIES INC                            | Maintenance Materials                | 151.80    |
| INDEPENDENCE OFFICE AND BUSINESS SUPPLY CO INC   | Maintenance Supplies                 | 105.80    |
| JD WILLIAMSON CONSTRUCTION CO INC                | Bridge Construction                  | 64,375.69 |



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| KASTNER WESTMAN & WILKINS LLC            | Legal Services                 | 1,525.00   |
| KEEN COMMUNICATIONS LLC                  | Gift Shop Items                | 681.82     |
| KEIM CO                                  | Maintenance Materials          | 2,186.90   |
| KNOWMORE CONSTRUCTION CO INC             | Freedom Trail Construction     | 136,521.51 |
| KRIESLER POLICE SUPPLY INC               | Law Enforcement Supplies       | 6,632.74   |
| KUHLMAN CORPORATION                      | Maintenance Materials          | 218.61     |
| KURTZ BROS INC                           | Maintenance Materials          | 443.57     |
| LEPPO INC                                | Equipment Rental               | 465.00     |
| LINDY PAVING PRODUCTS INC                | Maintenance Materials          | 9,200.00   |
| M CONLEY CO                              | Cleaning & Sanitary Supplies   | 3,013.56   |
| M TECHNOLOGIES INC                       | Equipment Repair               | 40.00      |
| MAGIC GARAGE DOOR INC                    | Garage Door Repairs            | 2,076.00   |
| MANN MARKETING INC                       | Spree For All Pins             | 3,275.00   |
| MAR ZANE INC                             | Maintenance Materials          | 376.55     |
| MARS ELECTRIC CO INC                     | Maintenance Materials          | 499.77     |
| MAURER, JENNIFER                         | Native Plant Festival Music    | 400.00     |
| MCDONALD HOPKINS LLC                     | Legal Services                 | 1,107.75   |
| MCMASTER CARR SUPPLY CO                  | Equipment Supplies             | 48.77      |
| MEDICAL MUTUAL OF OHIO                   | Vision Claims & Administration | 453.48     |
| MIDWEST MOTOR SUPPLY CO INC              | Maintenance Materials          | 853.41     |
| MITCHELL MEDIA LLC                       | Advertising                    | 1,200.00   |
| MOST DEPENDABLE FOUNTAINS INC            | Shelter Drinking Fountain      | 5,565.00   |
| MS CONSULTANTS INC                       | Trailhead Feasibility Study    | 6,751.52   |
| MYTEE INC                                | Maintenance Materials          | 567.05     |
| NATIONAL LIME & STONE COMPANY            | Maintenance Materials          | 1,917.82   |
| NAVIGATE360 LLC                          | Law Enforcement Training       | 7,015.00   |
| NORTHEAST OHIO REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT   | Stormwater Service             | 63.50      |
| OHIO & ERIE CANALWAY COALITION INC       | Technical Assistance Agreement | 15,000.00  |
| OHIO AFSCME CARE PLAN                    | Ohio AFSCME Care Plan          | 914.50     |
| OHIO EDISON CO                           | Electric Service               | 11,206.63  |
| OLIGER SEED CO                           | Program Supplies & Materials   | 123.80     |
| ORCHARD HILTZ & MCCLIMENT INC            | Engineering Services           | 3,600.00   |
| ORCHARD HILTZ & MCCLIMENT INC            | Corridor Feasibility Study     | 17,580.00  |
| OREILLY AUTO ENTERPRISES LLC             | Vehicle Supplies               | 483.13     |
| OSBORN ENGINEERING COMPANY               | Design Services                | 759.10     |
| OSCAR BRUGMANN SAND & GRAVEL INC         | Maintenance Materials          | 790.94     |
| PETROLEUM UST RELEASE COMPENSATION BOARD | Underground Storage Tank Fees  | 1,100.00   |
| POTOSHELTER INC                          | Annual Renewal                 | 7,100.00   |
| PIEDMONT PLASTICS INC                    | Maintenance Materials          | 365.70     |
| PROBE TECHNOLOGIES LTD                   | Computer Services & Software   | 29,253.25  |
| PUREBUTTONS COM LLC                      | Promotional Giveaways          | 87.97      |
| PURPLE COMMUNICATIONS INC                | Interpreter Services           | 681.39     |
| REFRIGERATION SALES COMPANY LLC          | Maintenance Materials          | 227.23     |
| REPROS INC                               | Maintenance Materials          | 3,301.97   |
| REPUBLIC SERVICES INC                    | Disposal Services              | 4,026.08   |
| RICHARD L BOWEN & ASSOCIATES INC         | Architectural Services         | 9,783.91   |
| RJ PLATTEN CONTRACTING COMPANY           | Nature Realm Shelter           | 50,152.06  |
| ROETZEL & ANDRESS LPA                    | Legal Service                  | 100.00     |
| SACKMANN STAMP AND STENCIL CO INC        | Office Supplies                | 49.00      |
| SAMALOT, VICTOR                          | Native Plant Festival Music    | 325.00     |
| SANTMYER ENERGY INC                      | Fuel Delivery                  | 16,132.71  |
| SAUNIER, TRAVIS R                        | Conference Reimbursement       | 9.50       |
| SECURITAS ELECTRONIC SECURITY INC        | Security Monitoring Services   | 500.00     |
| SMITH, CAROL A                           | Gift Shop Items                | 197.25     |
| SOCIAL DEPT LLC                          | Gift Shop Items                | 702.00     |
| SOHARS ALL SEASON MOWER SERVICE INC      | Equipment Supplies             | 690.02     |
| STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY               | Life Insurance                 | 480.94     |

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| STAT INTEGRATED TECHNOLOGIES INC     | Aquatic Management Program           | 6,250.00   |
| STONECO INC                          | Maintenance Materials                | 352.56     |
| STOUT CAPITAL INC                    | Equipment Supplies                   | 279.00     |
| STOUT MMA HEALTH SYSTEM              | Employee Vaccinations & Drug Screens | 1,762.80   |
| SUMMIT C & D TRANSFER LLC            | Disposal Service                     | 360.00     |
| SUMMIT COUNTY OH                     | Range Fees                           | 1,700.00   |
| SUMMIT COUNTY OH                     | Road Salt                            | 20,677.71  |
| SUMMIT COUNTY OH                     | Background Check                     | 15.00      |
| SUMMIT METRO PARKS                   | FSA & Visa Reimbursement Check       | 80,611.82  |
| SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA | Dental Claims & Administration       | 9,045.36   |
| SUPERIOR DRAIN AND PLUMBING LLC      | Backflow Testing                     | 6,240.00   |
| SWAN HARDWARE INC                    | Fall Hiking Spree Staffs             | 12,435.30  |
| TERRY LUMBER & SUPPLY CO             | Maintenance Materials                | 367.33     |
| TIGER SAND AND GRAVEL LLC            | Maintenance Materials                | 1,190.55   |
| VANDEVERE INC                        | Vehicle Supplies                     | 54.69      |
| VEIT LLC                             | Copier Service & Supplies            | 691.26     |
| VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC           | Internet Services                    | 1,813.69   |
| W W GRAINGER INC                     | Maintenance Materials                | 512.71     |
| WASTE MANAGEMENT OF OHIO INC         | Disposal Services                    | 1,704.71   |
| WEST PUBLISHING CORP                 | Software Subscription                | 237.31     |
| WEST SIDE PUBLISHING CO INC          | Advertisements                       | 690.00     |
| WILL TUCKER SUPPLY COMPANY           | Maintenance Materials                | 408.25     |
| ZIEGLER TIRE & SUPPLY CO             | Equipment Supplies                   | 592.48     |
| ZORO TOOLS INC                       | Maintenance Supplies                 | 281.23     |
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