

August 19, 2026

Vote:	Bigrigg	yea
	Shryock	yea
	Fischer	yea

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Road Petition from the White Eyes Township Trustees

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shryock to accept the road petition from the White Eyes Township Trustees for the vacation of all of TR 1046 and an unmaintained alley South of Lots 15 & 16 as recorded in Claud Hamilton's Add-Avondale, P.B.1, Page 88 in White Eyes Township, being all of TR 1046, beginning at TR 420A, thence Southerly, adjacent to Lots 15 and 16 as recorded in Claud Hamilton's Add-Avondale, PB1, Page 88, a distance of approximately 164 feet to the dead end of TR 1046 and all of the alley south of lots 15 and 16.

Vote:	Bigrigg	yea
	Shryock	yea
	Fischer	yea

Road Petition from the Tuscarawas Township Trustees

Mr. Shryock made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to accept the road petition from the Tuscarawas Township Trustees for the vacation of the alley north of Graham Court, in Tuscarawas Township, Board of Trade, 5th Addition, P.B. 2, Pages 29-31, being all of the alley, which runs adjacent to the east line of Lots 294-298, in the Board of Trade, 5th Addition, P.B. 2, Pages 29-31, Tuscarawas Township. It is the intent of this action to vacate all of the platted alley in this area. However, the Tuscarawas Township Trustees shall retain the right to own, operate, maintain, and expand, as necessary, the storm sewer system in the vacated alley.

Vote:	Bigrigg	yea
	Shryock	yea
	Fischer	yea

Employee Resignation-Emma Withrow, EMS

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shryock to accept the resignation of Emma Withrow from her full-time position with Coshocton County EMS, effective September 15, 2026, as requested by Mr. Joe Hunt, Chief of Coshocton County EMS.

Vote:	Bigrigg	yea
	Shryock	yea
	Fischer	yea

Employee Move - Danika Vickers, EMS

Mr. Shryock made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to move Danika Vickers, EMT-B, from intermittent part-time to full-time with the Coshocton County EMS, effective September 20, 2026, as requested by Mr. Joe Hunt, Chief of Coshocton County EMS.

Vote:	Bigrigg	yea
	Shryock	yea
	Fischer	yea

Employee Hire - Melanie Cox, DJFS

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shryock to hire Melanie Cox as an Eligibility Referral Specialist 2 with the Coshocton County Department of Job and Family Services, effective September 8, 2026, as requested by Mr. Jed McCoy, DJFS Director.

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	Shryock	yea
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Mr. Shryock made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to hire Marcella Burt-Wolverton as an Eligibility Referral Specialist 2 with the Coshocton County Department of Job and Family Services, effective September 8, 2026, as requested by Mr. Jed McCoy, DJFS Director.

Vote:	Bigrigg	yea
	Shryock	yea
	Fischer	yea

The Commissioners discussed the current difficulty in securing salt contracts within the State of Ohio and the potential for a salt shortage this winter with Ike Reger, Maintenance Supervisor. Members expressed concern about how the shortage may affect the maintenance of county buildings and parking lots, as well as the anticipated increase in cost for any salt that is available. The group discussed seeking Ike's thoughts on the situation and asking him to look into the matter further, including whether he has any additional ideas or options for securing an adequate salt supply.

Mr. Josh Kempf, County Engineer reported to Commissioner Shryock that he currently has the remaining salt supply on hand but is unable to obtain additional salt until January. He also noted that he is now required to pick up the salt himself. The county currently obtains salt from Mr. Kempf for county buildings and parking lot areas. Mr. Kempf stated that his association is working to assist with the situation and gather more information regarding the statewide salt shortage.

The group also discussed the importance of reminding employees about the potential shortage and the challenges it may create in keeping parking lots and other areas properly maintained throughout the winter. It was noted that this is a statewide issue that is expected to affect counties, townships, and municipalities. As an additional precaution, the group discussed purchasing an extra skid of Peladow.

The group agreed that this situation will need to be monitored closely as winter approaches. Further consideration will be given to available options and how the county will manage its salt supply and winter maintenance needs moving forward.

Mary Beck provided an update regarding the OSU Extension land plan. Kelli Hayden presented two proposals, including one from Neighborhood Strategies out of New Concord. An additional \$5,000 may be needed for the project, and discussion was held regarding whether the Commissioners would be able to provide the additional funds to OSU in exchange for the work being completed. OSU is contributing \$10,000 in in-kind services toward the program. Commissioner Bigrigg noted that there are currently no contingencies associated with the funding. OSU will be responsible for conducting the meetings and completing the related work. Mary will confirm that the additional \$5,000 will be sufficient to cover all expenses before any funds are transferred back and will also check on the cost of supplies.

Mary also provided an update regarding the signage that has been discussed for the community. She is working toward having consistent signage throughout Coshocton so that the signs are simple, tasteful, and visually connected. The goal is to create reciprocal signage throughout town that provides a consistent look and feel, a meeting is scheduled with all stakeholders in the county next week.

The condition of the grass on the Chestnut Street side of the courthouse was also discussed. The area needs attention, and there are still funds available for this project. The work will need to be completed by the end of December, or the remaining funds will be returned.

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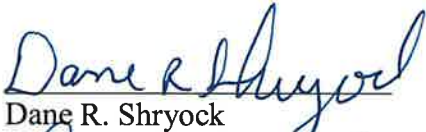
Meetings Attended

Commissioner Bigrigg attended the Board of Revision meeting on Monday afternoon, the 17th. Commissioner Bigrigg and Commissioner Shryock both attended the Regional Planning meeting on Monday evening. On Tuesday morning, Commissioner Bigrigg attended the Coffee and Commerce event with Congressman Troy Balderson. On Tuesday afternoon, the 18th, Commissioner Bigrigg and Commissioner Shryock met with Congressman Balderson in the Community Room.

Adjourn

Mr. Bigrigg adjourned the meeting at 12:00 p.m.


Robert W. Bigrigg


Dane R. Shryock


Gary L. Fischer


Clerk