

**COMMISSIONERS JOURNAL NO. 84 - DELAWARE COUNTY
MINUTES FROM REGULAR MEETING HELD MAY 21, 2026**

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF DELAWARE COUNTY MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON THIS DATE WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT:

Present:
Gary Merrell, Vice President
Barb Lewis, Commissioner

Absent:
Jeff Benton, President

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RESOLUTION NO. 26-355

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING THE ELECTRONIC RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS FROM REGULAR MEETING HELD MAY 18, 2026:

It was moved by Mrs. Lewis, seconded by Mr. Merrell to approve the following:

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Delaware County, Ohio (the "Board") met in regular session on May 18, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Clerk of the Board has certified, pursuant to section 305.11 of the Ohio Revised Code, that the entire record of the proceedings at that meeting is completely and accurately captured in the electronic record of those proceedings;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby approves the electronic record of proceedings at the previous meeting.

Vote on Motion Mrs. Lewis Aye Mr. Merrell Aye Mr. Benton Absent

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PUBLIC COMMENT

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RESOLUTION NO. 26-356

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS, THEN AND NOW CERTIFICATES, AND PAYMENT OF WARRANTS IN BATCH NUMBERS CMAPR0520, MEMO TRANSFERS IN BATCH NUMBERS MTAPR0520, AND PROCUREMENT CARD PAYMENTS IN BATCH NUMBER PCAPR0520:

It was moved by Mrs. Lewis, seconded by Mr. Merrell to approve Then and Now Certificates, payment of warrants in batch numbers CMAPR0520, memo transfers in batch numbers MTAPR0520, Procurement Card Payments in batch number PCAPR0520, and Purchase Orders as listed below:

PR Number	Vendor Name	Line Description	Account	Amount
R2603268	TREASURER, DELAWARE COUNTY	RETAINAGE - EAST ALUM CREEK PUMP STATION -	66711900 - 5410	\$181,298.64
R2603287	SRN SYSTEMS INC	CRIME SCENE BARRIER SYSTEM - SHERIFF	42311453 - 5450	\$ 5,649.71
R2603317	MICROMAN INC	NETWORK EQUIPMENT - WILLIS BUILDING RENOVATIONS	42011438 - 5410	\$ 42,547.50

Vote on Motion Mr. Merrell Aye Mrs. Lewis Aye Mr. Benton Absent

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RESOLUTION NO. 26-357

IN THE MATTER OF PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF MAY 17-23, 2026, AS EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK IN DELAWARE COUNTY:

It was moved by Mrs. Lewis, seconded by Mr. Merrell to approve the following:

WHEREAS, Emergency Medical Services personnel provide a vital public service because timely access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

WHEREAS, the members of EMS teams engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their skills and are dedicated to providing life-saving care to individuals in need, often

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under challenging circumstances; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of EMS providers through the annual observance of Emergency Medical Services Week during the third week of May; and

WHEREAS, the national theme of this year’s observance — *Improving Outcomes, Together* — provides an opportunity to recognize and honor the contributions of EMS personnel and the vital role they play in our society while embodying Delaware County EMS’s guiding principle of “Committed to Community.”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Delaware County Board of Commissioners (the Board) does hereby proclaim the week of May 17-23, 2026, as Emergency Medical Services Week in Delaware County;

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Board extends its gratitude to all EMS personnel for their unwavering commitment to public service and acknowledges the sacrifices made by EMS personnel and their families, who support them in their challenging and demanding roles. The Board further encourages our community to express its appreciation for EMS personnel during EMS Week and throughout the year and directs that a copy of this Resolution be presented to Delaware County EMS as a token of the Board’s gratitude for the invaluable services provided by EMS personnel.

Vote on Motion Mrs. Lewis Aye Mr. Merrell Aye Mr. Benton Absent

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BEN KURIAN AND CHASE PETERSON, OLENTANGY LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT STUDENTS PRESENTATION/AWARDS IN A C-SPAN COMPETITION**

**Annual Student Documentary Competition
4,000+ Students Entered From 38 States And D.C.
150 Cash Prizes
21st Year, Prompt On Declaration Of Independence’s Impact At America 250**

***A RIGHT TO HEALTH BY BEN KURIAN
AGAINST THE SILENCE BY CHASE PETERSEN***

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RESOLUTION NO. 26-358**

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING THE ALPHA GROUP OF DELAWARE’S PAYMENT OF CAPITAL REPAIRS TO 1000 ALPHA DRIVE FROM THE CAPITAL ACCOUNT ESTABLISHED IN THE LEASE AGREEMENT FOR SAID PROPERTY:

It was moved by Mrs. Lewis, seconded by Mr. Merrell to approve the following:

WHEREAS, on July 1, 2010, the Delaware County Board of Commissioners (the “Board”) adopted Resolution No. 10-861, approving a lease agreement between the Board and the Alpha Group of Delaware, Inc. (“Alpha”) for the property known as 1000 Alpha Drive, Delaware, Ohio (the “Leased Premises”); and

WHEREAS, June 12, 2025, the Board adopted Resolution No. 25-439, approving the first extension of the lease agreement with Alpha to extend the termination date of the lease agreement from June 30, 2025, to February 28, 2031; and

WHEREAS, the lease agreement provides for the establishment of a capital account for the payment of capital improvements or repairs to the Leased Premises that cost \$5,000.00 or more, subject to approval by the Board; and

WHEREAS, Alpha obtained quotes for capital improvements or repairs to the Leased Premises in an amount more than \$5,000.00, for the following:

- Sealcoat & Stripe in the amount of \$13,058.44;
- 5 year Sprinkler Maintenance and Testing in the amount of \$2,199.00;
- Recreation of Hydraulic Placard for Sprinkler System in the amount of \$1,829.50; and
- AC Unit Repairs in the amount of \$2,420.00; and

WHEREAS, Alpha is seeking the Board’s approval to proceed with the capital improvements or repairs by utilizing the capital account;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of Delaware County, State of Ohio, hereby approves Alpha’s payment of capital improvements or repairs to the Leased Premises from the capital account established in the lease agreement as follows:

2026 Capital Improvements or Repairs	
Sealcoat & Stripe	\$13,058.44

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5 year Sprinkler Maintenance and Testing	\$2,199.00
Recreation of Hydraulic Placard for Sprinkler System	\$1,829.50
AC Unit Repairs	\$2,420.00
TOTAL	\$19,506.94

Vote on Motion Mrs. Lewis Aye Mr. Merrell Aye Mr. Benton Absent

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RESOLUTION NO. 26-359

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING THE FIRST ADDENDUM TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DELAWARE COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE, THE DELAWARE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, AND PRIMECARE MEDICAL, INC. TO ADD INMATE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES:

It was moved by Mrs. Lewis, and seconded by Mr. Merrell to approve the following:

WHEREAS, the Delaware County Sheriff and his staff recommend approval of an addendum to the agreement with PrimeCare Medical, Inc. to add inmate mental health services;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Delaware County Board of Commissioners, Ohio, hereby approves the following First Addendum to Health Services Agreement with PrimeCare Medical, Inc.:

FIRST ADDENDUM TO HEALTH SERVICES AGREEMENT

THIS FIRST ADDENDUM TO THE HEALTH SERVICES AGREEMENT, is entered into between the County of Delaware, located in the State of Ohio, through the Delaware County Sheriff in their official capacity (hereinafter referred to as “County”) and PrimeCare Medical, Inc., a Pennsylvania Corporation with offices located at 3940 Locust Lane, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17109 (hereinafter, “Company”).

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, County is charged pursuant to federal and state law with the responsibility for providing health care services for all persons committed to the care, custody and control of the Delaware County Jail (hereinafter, “Facility”); and

WHEREAS, Company is in business solely to provide health care services, through properly licensed employees and independent professionals, to inmates and detainees in prisons, jails and detention centers; and

WHEREAS, Company and County entered into an Agreement, effective April 1, 2026 (hereinafter, “Underlying Agreement”) for the provision of certain health care services; and

WHEREAS, the parties wish to amend the Underlying Agreement to add Mental Health Services; and

WHEREAS, Paragraph 20 of the Underlying Agreement states that no modifications or amendments to the Agreement shall be binding upon the parties unless the same is in writing and signed by both parties.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the covenants and promises hereinafter set forth, and for other valuable consideration, and intending to become legally bound thereby, the parties agree as follows:

1. **Staffing and Services.** Company shall increase its existing staffing matrix by adding one full-time Mental Health Professional (1.0 FTE) per week (on-site at the jail for 40 hours), who shall be licensed within and in good standing in the State of Ohio for mental health and substance abuse treatment. Mental Health Services shall include screening for appropriate level of care, diagnostic assessment, counseling, case management, reentry planning, and crisis intervention, to include Health Officer Status in the instance Involuntary Hospitalization is necessary. Telehealth options may be used to periodically but will not be routinely used. Company further agrees to seek certification through the Ohio Department of Behavioral Health (CARF, COA, joint-accreditation).
2. **Compensation.** In order to provide such additional services, total compensation to be paid to Company shall be increased by \$124,973.58 per annum for each year the Addendum is in effect. In the event the Parties designate this Addendum or any renewal thereof as effective for less than a year, the compensation owed pursuant to this Addendum shall be calculated at the rate of \$10,414.46 per month. Such costs shall increase on an annual basis consistent with the terms set forth in the Underlying Agreement.
3. **Effective Date and Term.** The effective date of this First Addendum shall be May 21, 2026, and shall continue for a period of one (1) year. This Addendum may be extended for additional one (1) year periods as mutually agreed upon by County and Company. In the event of any extensions, increases in compensation shall be made in accordance with the Underlying Agreement.

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- 4. All Other Provisions Unaffected. All other provisions of the Underlying Agreement, not inconsistent with this First Addendum, shall remain in full force and effect.

Vote on Motion Mr. Merrell Aye Mrs. Lewis Aye Mr. Benton Absent

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ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

No reports

Commissioner Merrel asked Jeff Fishel, Director of EMS to provided an update on EMS Station 11

New EMS station 11 will start operation with a full staff on site on Saturday May 23, 2026

New station is located in Berkshire Township near 36-37-I71

Shared building with BST&G Fire Department

Commissioner Merrel asked Jane Hawes, Director of Communications for an update on the ADA Website Accessibility Compliance

The U.S. Department of Justice has issued an interim rule extending the compliance deadlines for ADA website and mobile app accessibility requirements for state and local governments.

Jurisdictions with populations of 50,000 or more now have until April 26, 2027 (previously April 2026), while smaller jurisdictions and special districts have until April 26, 2028 (previously April 2027) to comply.

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COMMISSIONERS' COMMITTEES REPORTS

COMMISSIONER LEWIS

-No reports

COMMISSIONER MERRELL

- Remember Memorial Day is a holiday honoring U.S. military personnel who died while serving.

Originally established in 1868 to decorate Civil War graves.

Later included all U.S. military personnel who died while serving

Congress made it an official national holiday in 1971, moving it to the last Monday in May.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Jeff Benton

Barb Lewis

Gary Merrell

Jennifer Walraven, Clerk to the Commissioners