



CUYAHOGA COUNTY COUNCIL

HUMAN RESOURCES, APPOINTMENTS & EQUITY COMMITTEE

CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS
4th FLOOR

MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, JULY 28, 2026—10:00 A.M.

Committee Members

Martin J. Sweeney, Chair | Dist. 3
Michael J. Gallagher, Vice Chair | Dist. 5
Yvonne M. Conwell | Dist. 7
Michael J. Houser, Sr. | Dist. 10
Meredith M. Turner | Dist. 9

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Sweeney called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Mr. Sweeney asked Clerk Richardson to call the roll. Committee members Sweeney, Gallagher, Conwell, Houser and Turner were in attendance, and a quorum was determined.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments given.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE JULY 14, 2026 MEETING

A motion was made by Ms. Turner, seconded by Mr. Gallagher and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the July 14, 2026 meeting.

5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) R2026-0213: A Resolution confirming the County Executive's appointment of Mary R. Cierebiej to serve on the Cuyahoga County Community Improvement Corporation Board of Trustees for an unexpired term ending 1/1/2; declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Chris Alvarado, Director of Regional Collaboration, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2026-0213.

Mr. Sweeney introduced a proposed substitute to Resolution No. R2026-0213. Discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Mr. Sweeney, seconded by Ms. Turner and approved by unanimous vote to accept the proposed substitute.

Mary Cierebiej, Executive Director of the Cuyahoga County Planning Commission, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2026-0213. Discussion ensued.

Committee members had no questions for Ms. Cierebiej.

On a motion by Ms. Turner with a second by Mr. Houser, Resolution No. R2026-0213 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules, as substituted.

- b) R2026-0214: A Resolution confirming the County Executive's appointment of Emily Monteleone to serve on The Cleveland/Cuyahoga County Workforce Development Board for the term 7/1/2026 – 6/30/2029; declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Chris Alvarado addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2026-0214.

Committee members asked questions of Mr. Alverado pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

Mr. Sweeney introduced a proposed substitute to Resolution No. R2026-0214. Discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Mr. Sweeney, seconded by Mr. Gallagher and approved by unanimous vote to accept the proposed substitute.

Emily Monteleone addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2026-0214. Discussion ensued.

Chair Sweeney asked questions of Ms. Monteleone, which she answered accordingly. Discussion ensued. Committee members had no questions, but commented on Ms. Monteleone's experience, expertise and qualifications.

On a motion by Ms. Turner with a second by Mr. Gallagher, Resolution No. R2026-0214 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules, as substituted.

- c) R2026-0215: A Resolution confirming the County Executive's appointment of Patricia Newell to serve on the Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging Board of Trustees for an unexpired term ending 12/31/2026; declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Chris Alvarado addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2026-0215.

Committee members asked questions of Mr. Alverado pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

Mr. Sweeney introduced a proposed substitute to Resolution No. R2026-0215. Discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Mr. Gallagher, seconded by Ms. Conwell and approved by unanimous vote to accept the proposed substitute.

Patricia Newell addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2026-0215. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Ms. Newell pertaining to her experience, expertise and qualifications, which she answered accordingly. Discussion ensued.

On a motion by Ms. Turner with a second by Mr. Gallagher, Resolution No. R2026-0215 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules, as substituted.

- d) R2026-0216: A Resolution confirming the County Executive's appointment of Wayne D. Hudson to serve on the Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board of Cuyahoga County for a four-year term ending 6/30/2029; declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Chris Alvarado addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2026-0216.

Mr. Sweeney introduced a proposed substitute to Resolution No. R2026-0216. Discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Mr. Gallagher, seconded by Ms. Conwell and approved by unanimous vote to accept the proposed substitute.

Committee members asked questions of Mr. Hudson pertaining to his experience, expertise and qualifications, which he answered accordingly. Discussion ensued.

On a motion by Ms. Turner with a second by Ms. Conwell, Resolution No. R2026-0216 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules, as substituted.

- e) R2026-0219: A Resolution authorizing a contract with Medical Mutual of Ohio in the amount not-to-exceed \$2,919,182.00 for stop loss insurance services for Cuyahoga County and Cuyahoga County Benefits Regionalization Program participants for the period 1/1/2026 – 12/31/2026; authorizing the County Executive to execute Contract No. 6312 and all other documents consistent with said award and this Resolution; declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Gloria Langford, Director of Benefits, and Stephen Witt, Business Services Manager for the Department of Human Resources addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2026-0219. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Ms. Langford and Mr. Witt pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

On a motion by Mr. Sweeney with a second by Mr. Gallagher, Resolution No. R2026-0219 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules.

6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Sweeney adjourned the meeting at 10:48 a.m., without objection.