



LAKE COUNTY RECORDER ON THE RECORD



Lake County Ohio Recorder—Becky Lynch

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RECORDER DEPT Services:

- Regular onsite Recording Services
- Recording by eRecording
- Recording by mail
- Public Records Requests
- Microfilming Backup daily
- Property Fraud Alert Program
- Ohio Housing Trust Fund Collections
- Veteran I.D Card Program
- Honor Rewards Online
- Records Digitized and Online from 1985
- Website www.LakeCountyOhioRecorder.com
- Laredo Select remote access
- Laredo Anywhere remote access
- Ava Search Engine access
- Tapestry access nationwide
- Monarch records digital streaming
- Records Rooms open from 8a-4p
- Recorder Office open 8a-4p
- Same-Day Recording Time deadline 3:45p
- Public Record Request email:
RecorderPublicRecordRequest@LakeCountyOhio.gov

440-350-2510

Lake County Recorder Main Line

WHAT'S UP NEXT MONTH?

May

- May 7: National Day of Prayer
- May 5: Cinco de Mayo
- May 10: Mother's Day
- May 16: Armed Forces Day
- May 25: Memorial Day

April ✚ On **April 1** this year, we will have the first day of Passover. To all the jokers out there, on April Fools Day, play a joke on a good natured friend! **April 3** is Good Friday. Our office closes by 12Noon. The Auditor Offices will also close at the same time. Early this year compared to last, on **April 5** is Easter Sunday. The Resurrection of Jesus! We celebrate our Faith, Hope, and Love! Happy Easter! May God Bless Us All! One of my Blessings you all know is our wonderful staff! They work very hard. The Lake County Recorder Team is the very best! Thank you Mary Pat, Simone, Kim, Shaun, Karla, Curt, Devan, Tonette and Mindy! **April 12** a very sweet man, James Smith was born in 1933. He's my Dad. At only 66 came his heavenly birthday August 2, 1999. If you still have your Dad, I hope you have lots of opportunities to honor him and Mom. **April 14** is Holocaust Remembrance Day. **April 15** the last day to file income taxes, Oh, unless you file an extension.

The Recorders Document Preservation Surcharge Update: As of this year, 58 of the 88 Ohio counties charge the fee.

A much-needed resource, this fund is for Recorders to preserve important county land records and was established October 24, 2024 in the **Recorder Modernization Act** from the Ohio Legislature. It brings digitization to a standard for land records. We achieved the scanning requirement. Fidar Technologies performed a mega-

scanning project for us of approximately 150,000 records with about 400,000 pages. The contract was for over \$280,000.00 and with our staff scanning we saved nearly \$20,000.00 off the total, bringing the cost down. Recorder Lynch sent in the receipts and this expense was virtually eliminated, being 100% reimbursed by the State of Ohio. Thankfully this means that there was all of zero cost to great Lake County. Just the right kind of expense for us in the Recorder Office!

The Document Preservation Fund brought in \$134,597.50 for 2025, for this year to date we have \$35,809.00. The total raised/collected so far, for preserving your Lake County Land Records forever, is **\$170,406.50**. These are good-news efforts, brought to you by your business-minded Recorder! Further amounts that continue to enhance the county General Fund, from Recorder revenues, rebates and refunds, are increasing. And the savings to our county has grown significantly over time! In April we like to enjoy the newness of the season of Spring. In the Recorder Office citizens in Lake County can count on Recorder Lynch for strong, sensible Recorder operations, with budget performance like Spring all throughout the year! Have a Blessed April and get ready for America's 250th!



God Bless Our Troops!



Happy Easter! May God Bless Us All!

-Recorder Becky Lynch

Why \$20.00? The goal is standardization to Records. The large top margin allows for approval stamps, the font size for readability, scanning and digitizing. These contribute to the validation of the OFFICIAL RECORD created when your document is recorded.

Standard Recording Guidelines Ohio Revised Code §317.114

- Computer font size **at least** 10 point
- Minimum paper size – 8.5 x11 inches
- Maximum paper size – 8.5 x14 inches
- Black or Blue ink ONLY
- No use of highlighting
- Side & bottom Margins 1 inch each page
- Top Margin 3 inches on the first page
- Remaining pages 1.5 inch Top Margin

We accept documents which do not conform. A fee of \$20.00 in addition to standard fees will apply. This Law does **not** apply to documents from a Court or Taxing Auth., Plats, DD214's, State or Federal document, or any document prior to July 1, 2009.



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