

External Posting

Job Title: Chief Building Official

Location: Mahoning County, Ohio

Department: Board of Mahoning County Commissioners – Building Inspection

Employment Type: Full-time, Unclassified,

Pay Range: \$101,600.1195 - \$129,046.1717

Posting Period: April 16, 2026 – April 29, 2026

About the Role

The Chief Building Official is an executive leadership role appointed by the Mahoning County Board of Commissioners and reporting to the Chief of Development. This position provides strategic direction, administration, and enforcement of building standards and safety regulations in accordance with the Ohio board of building Standards and Ohio Revised Code Chapters 3781 and 3791. Responsibilities include managing departmental and contracted staff, overseeing regulatory compliance, specialty trade licensing boards, plan review, and safety ordinance enforcement to protect public health, safety, and welfare. The role also represents Mahoning County in legal, legislative, and intergovernmental matters related to building codes and construction regulation, while ensuring compliance with Ohio, low, county policies, and core values.

Our Vision:

We envision a sustainable and inclusive community where everyone has equal opportunities to thrive and prosper, driven by collaboration and innovation.

Our Mission:

Mahoning County provides responsive and dynamic services in pursuit of a thriving and equitable community for all who work, live, and visit.

Our Core Values:

Integrity | Accountability | Collaboration | Loyalty | Respect | Excellence | Diversity

Key Responsibilities

- Provide strategic leadership and administration of the Building Inspection Department in alignment with County goals and priorities
- Serve as the chief administrative and enforcement officer for Ohio building codes, trade licensing, and county safety ordinances
- Oversee permitting, plan review, inspections, enforcement actions, and specialty licensing boards to ensure regulatory compliance
- Modernize building safety operations through technology, performance metrics, and customer-centered service improvements
- Develop, administer, and monitor the department budget; manage contracts and resources effectively
- Supervise, mentor, and evaluate staff; oversee recruitment, training, performance management, and labor relations
- Coordinate with County departments, external agencies, and community partners on building and infrastructure initiatives
- Represent the County in legal matters, public hearings, professional organizations, and regulatory forums
- Communicate complex technical and regulatory information clearly to diverse audiences
- Maintain professional certifications and ongoing continuing education
- Perform other duties as assigned

Minimum Qualifications

- Level 5 Commercial Building Official Certification with applicable specializations issued by the Ohio Board of Building Standards. Level 5 certified personnel manage all aspects of the commercial building department and are responsible for the enforcement of the rules of the board and of Chapters 3781. and 3791. of the Revised Code relating to the construction, arrangement and erection of buildings or parts thereof.
- Minimum qualifications for a Level 5 certification include, but are not limited to:

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- Ohio registered Architect or Professional Engineer (PE) in a design or construction related field, and completion of the board’s prescribed examinations and training **OR**
- Ten (10) years commercial general contractor, foreman, or site superintendent experience responsible for supervision of all trades, and completion of the board’s prescribed examinations and training, **OR**
- Six (6) years certified building department experience, completion of level 3 requirements and completion of the board’s prescribed examinations and training
- Bachelor’s degree with major course work in architecture, structural or civil engineering, or related field
- Minimum of four (4) years of supervisory experience in a unionized environment
- Valid Ohio driver’s license and ability to meet County driving eligibility standards

Why Work for Mahoning County?

Mahoning County offers more than a job — it’s a values-driven workplace where your growth is supported, your contributions matter, and your career helps move our community forward.

- **Access a comprehensive benefits package with multiple options tailored to your needs, featuring:**
 - Healthcare plans day 1 through Medical Mutual of Ohio
 - Dental, Vision, and Supplemental Insurance Options
 - County-paid Life Insurance
 - Flexible Spending Accounts
 - OPERS Pension and Deferred Compensation Retirement Plan
 - Generous paid time off—including vacation, sick, and personal days
 - 13 paid holidays annually
 - Tuition Reimbursement Program
 - Access to a robust Employee Assistance Program
- Lead transformative initiatives in public service that directly impact the community’s growth and well-being.
- Collaborate with a committed team of professionals and diverse community stakeholders.
- Play a key role in shaping policy, driving economic development, and enhancing quality of life.

How to Apply:

Complete a Mahoning County Application located at: www.mahoningcountyoh.gov and submit along with a cover letter, resume, and references via email to: jobpostings@mahoningcountyoh.gov. Application information can also be submitted in person at:

Board of Mahoning County Commissioners
Attn: Human Resources Department
21 West Boardman Street, Suite 300
Youngstown, OH 44503

All application information must be submitted by the close of business on Wednesday April 29, 2026.

Apply now to lead impactful programs that shape the future of Mahoning County!

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