

Minutes for Thursday, August 29, 2019

Mr. Schroeder moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of County Commissioners of Putnam, Ohio, that to provide for the unanticipated revenues for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2019, the following sums be and the same are hereby appropriated for the purpose for which expenditures are to be made during the fiscal year as follows:

Fund 001, County General
14 D 1, Various settlements.....\$219.21

Fund 068, Mental Health
AA 11, Other expense.....\$50.81

Fund 100, E-911 System
100 MS, Miscellaneous.....\$105.37

Fund 022, Brookhill Center School
8 E 7, Miscellaneous expenses..... \$261.02

Fund 063, Health
E 12, Other expense.....\$ 40.41

Fund 120, PCEMS
120 OTH, Other.....\$46.57
(2019 August Mobile Home Settlement)

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion on said Resolution and the vote resulted as follows:

Vote: Mr. Lammers yes Mr. Schlumbohm yes Mr. Schroeder yes
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Mr. Schlumbohm moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, That per the request of The Board of County Commissioners for the purpose of the Manufactured Housing Tax/2nd Half Fund the following advance of funds is authorized by the Board of County Commissioners:

<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
15 A 15A, Advance Out	148 AI, Advance in (Advance for Mfg. Housing Tax/2 nd Half)	\$ 13,665.38

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion on said Resolution and the vote resulted as follows:

Vote: Mr. Lammers yes Mr. Schlumbohm yes Mr. Schroeder yes
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Mr. Lammers moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, By the Board of County Commissioners in accordance with the provisions

of law has previously adopted a tax Budget for the next succeeding fiscal year commencing January 1st, __2020__; and

WHEREAS, The Budget Commission of ____Putnam__ County, Ohio, has certified its action thereon to this Board together with an estimate by the County Auditor of the rate of each tax necessary to be levied by this Board, and what part thereof is without, and what part within, the ten mill tax limitation; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Board of County Commissioners of ____Putnam__ County, Ohio that the amounts and rates, as determined by the Budget Commission in its certification, be and the same are hereby accepted; and be it further

RESOLVED, That there be and is hereby levied on the tax duplicate of said County the rate of each tax necessary to be levied within and without the ten mill limitation as follows:

SCHEDULE A				
SUMMARY OF AMOUNTS REQUIRED FROM GENERAL PROPERTY TAX APPROVED BY BUDGET				
COMMISSION AND COUNTY AUDITOR'S ESTIMATED TAX RATES				
	Amount Approved by Budget Commission Inside 10 M.	Amount To Be Derived from Levies Outside 10 M.	County Auditor's Estimate of Tax Rate to be Levied	
			Inside 10 M.	Outside 10 M.

FUND	Limitation	Limitation	Limit	Limit
	Column I	Column II	III	IV
063 Health		134,483.05	0.00	0.25
063 Health		319,318.72		0.50
TOTAL	0.00	453,801.77	0.00	0.75

SCHEDULE B
LEVIES OUTSIDE 10 MILL LIMITATION, EXCLUSIVE OF DEBT LEVIES

FUND	Maximum Rate Authorized to Be Levied	County Auditor's Est. of Yield of Levy (Carry to Schedule A, Column II)	Expires
GENERAL FUND:			
Current Expense Levy authorized by voters on			
not to exceed _____ years.			
SPECIAL LEVY FUNDS:			
Levy authorized by voters on 11/7/17			
not to exceed 5 years. Renew	0.50	319,318.72	2022
Levy authorized by voters on 11-6-18			
not to exceed 10 years. Renew	0.25	134,483.05	2028
Levy authorized by voters on			
not to exceed _____ years.			
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and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of this Board be and he is hereby directed to certify a copy of this Resolution to the County Auditor of said County.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion on said Resolution and the vote resulted as follows:

Vote: Mr. Lammers yes Mr. Schlumbohm yes Mr. Schroeder yes
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**Now and Then Purchase order
Capital Improvement.....purchase order 39367**

Mr. Schroeder moved to approve the then and now purchase orders.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Lammers yes Mr. Schlumbohm yes Mr. Schroeder yes
Exceptions: Mr. Lammers Mr. Schlumbohm Mr. Schroeder
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Purchase orders and travel requests

Sheriff...Travel request for Bayden Brubaker and Larrice Peterson to attend the Ohio Basic Corrections and Training Academy in Bowling Green, OH Sept 23- Oct 17 with purchase order for registration, and meals for \$ 1820.00.

County General.....Purchase order to Skywork Equipment Rental for new harness cord and service for scissor lift for \$ 600.00.

Treasurer.....Travel request for Tracy Warnecke to attend the NW district Treasurer meeting in Toledo on September 11 ,2019 with purchase order for \$ 15.00 for registration and \$10.00 for parking.

Wireless 911.....Travel request for Brad Brubaker to attend the BSSA Fall Seminar in Columbus on Sept 17-19, 2019 with purchase for lodging, meals, and registration \$355.00.

E911..... Travel request for Brad Brubaker to attend the BSSA Fall Seminar in Columbus on Sept 17-19, 2019 with purchase for lodging, meals, and registration \$615.00.

Solid Waste Dist Disp Fees.....Purchase order to Kuhlman's Auto Body for water pump for \$ 735.89.

Landfill Closure/Maint....Purchase order to Kuhlman Auto Body for power steering cable for \$ 215.39.

CDBG.....Purchase Order to Hillard Craft for change order for Glick for \$400.00

Mr. Schroeder moved to approve the purchase orders and travel requests.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Lammers yes Mr. Schlumbohm yes Mr. Schroeder yes

Exceptions: Mr. Schlumbohm none Mr. Schroeder none Mr. Lammers none

Mr. Schroeder called the meeting to order with Mr. Schlumbohm and Mr. Lammers by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners Schroeder, Schlumbohm and Lammers held a teleconference with Paulding and Defiance County Commissioners to discuss the setting of the first hearing for the Shane Fitzwater Joint County Ditch.

The business agenda was held with Commissioners Schroeder, Schlumbohm and Lammers and Cindy Landwehr, Clerk.

A bid opening for the 1.303 acre farm across from the Airport was held

Bid received was from Bryan Maag 211 Easthaven Dr. Ottawa

\$189.56 per acres total bid of \$741.00 for 3 year contract. Cashier ck included as well as proof of insurance.

Mr. Schroeder moved to award the 1.303 acres to Bryan Maag for \$ \$189.56 per acre.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

Vote Lammers yes Schlumbohm yes Schroeder yes

Bid opening for Landfill farm 2.067

Bid received from Brent Leopold Sandridge Grain

\$75.00 per acre \$ 766.08 total bid cashier check for \$ 46.50 and proof of insurance included.

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to award the bid

Mr. Lammers seconded the motion.

Vote Lammers yes Schlumbohm yes Schroeder yes

Gary Lammers met with Commissioners Schroeder Schlumbohm and Lammers to discuss the Avangrid project. Jennifer Peryam of the Lima News sat in on the meeting. The Commissioners received information from Avangrid that they gave to Gary Lammers to review. Mr. Schroeder also gave some information from Dale Arnold, Farm Bureau Attorney for the project as well. Gary Lammers asked if there is a timeframe to go by. The Commissioners would like to have another meeting within the next few weeks to review again. Bob Benroth joined the meeting also. The information included a potential capital improvement agreement. The payment will be the same over the life of the agreement but the beginning payments will be less. The interest from the money was discussed. The negotiations are still ongoing nothing and has been agreed upon yet. Mr. Benroth explained some alternative energy agreements from some surrounding counties and some mistakes that were made. Mr. Benroth does not agreed with the

Commissioners to divert from the original resolution. Commissioner Lammers thinks it will pay off in the future. Since the Commissioners were not included in the project at the beginning it is difficult go back and fix it. It is believed that the people were misled by some of the information they were given for this project. Gary Lammers will review the new agreement and amended resolution. Avangrid would not come in to the County unless an amendment is done. The Commissioners are confident that the project will proceed at this time. The possibilities of Avangrid going bankrupt was discussed. It is thought that someone will come in and buy it. Gary will review the documents and if any questions arise he will ask them. The documents will also be sent to John Leutz at CCAO for review. The agreement of the extra payments were discussed and a concern is if the contract is breached by Avangrid. How can they pay more than what is in the contract. Commissioner Lammers will forward the negotiation spreadsheet to Gary Lammers so he can review that with the documents. There will be time frames to complete once these documents are approved. Avangrid wants to start construction in the near future if it's approved. There are still concerns and the legislation is new so there is no case law for it yet. The issue of the distribution of the payments was discussed and the state has corrected the omission of the Villages, schools fire departments etc. The additional payments could be construed as donations. A precedent is being set by this. The mechanisms in the panels and their lifespan was discussed. There are already efficiencies being developed for them. The Commissioners are more comfortable after the meeting they had on Tuesday with Avangrid. This will benefit the taxpayers.

Bob brought in a bogus email that he received regarding a request to change payroll information for a county employee. Just to inform people to be aware that these spam emails are very prevalent and everyone should be very careful with their emails and financial information. Bob also presented the sales tax figures for the month. The figures are higher again which is optimistic. The solar project construction would also create an increase in the sales tax for the County. The changes in the taxes for Villages were also discussed.

Bob also brought up the request of using the County's bond rating for financing for public bonds for Bluffton University. Allen County already has debt and not as good of a rating as Putnam County's. Putnam County would not be responsible for any of the debt. The administrative fee for using the County rating was discussed. The Commissioner are not in favor of a tiered rate, they would like to keep the .1% for the full amount of the financing. Bob also brought the previous agreement for the Commissioners to review, since we have new Commissioners. The Commissioners have done these agreements before with other entities, Mercy Health, Leipsic Community Center and Bluffton University. Bob explained the use of the rating that was done most recently to overlap and cover two years, with it being split between two years. Bob recommended asking the CIC if any other large projects would be coming that may need financing before the end of the year or next year.

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to adjourn for the day.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

Vote Lammers yes Schlumbohm yes Schroeder yes

Mr. Schroeder moved to approve the minutes as read from Thursday, August 29, 2019.

Mr. Lammers seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Lammers yes Mr. Schlumbohm yes Mr. Schroeder yes