

**Minutes, Thursday September 17, 2020**

Mr. Lammers 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, 2020, 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 089, Emergency Medical Service Grant  
89 EQ, Equipment.....\$ 26,625.62

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

Vote: Mr. Schroeder yes      Mr. Lammers yes      Mr. Schlumbohm yes  
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**Now and Then Purchase orders**

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

Mr. seconded the motion.

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

**EMS.....**Purchase order to Positive Promotions Inc for promotional mdse for \$ 250.00.

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

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

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

Exceptions: Mr. Schroeder      Mr. Schlumbohm      Mr. Lammers

Mr. Schlumbohm attended a construction meeting for the Sewer Dist. #2 pump station replacement at the pump station with Advance Rehab Technologies, Kahle Technologies and Tim Schnipke to discuss the progress and of the replacement.

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

Commissioners Schroeder, Schlumbohm and Lammers met with Mike Klear, Dale Schulte and Dan Rieman to discuss the County's Heavy Rescue program. The funding for the Heavy Rescue program was discussed. Ottawa would like to purchase a new truck not a used truck. Additional funding from the County is being questioned. Dan said the amount of runs have decreased over the years. This funding has been in place since the early 80's. The heavy rescue is thought to have been started by the Commissioners not the EMS. The County (EMS) pays for the equipment and the departments pay for the manpower. The EMS purchased the extrication equipment that is on the trucks. Some of the equipment the departments have purchased themselves through grants and such. Other departments that have similar equipment and want a cut of money also. What do Kalida and Ottawa have that the other departments do not, Dan said the experience and training. Dale said they have the equipment for the special rescues. The Commissioners have to figure out how to treat them both fairly. The equipment has been replaced within the last five years on the heavy rescue trucks. Ottawa Village council wants to purchase a new truck versus a used truck to replace the current truck. The truck that Kalida purchased was used and came from Texas it was in good shape. Ottawa would like to find a truck like Kalida did. Kalida did have to put more money into the used truck to get it in shape to use, but once that is done the expenses could go down. Heavy rescue calls are not considered mutual aid calls. Ottawa goes out maybe 15-20 times per year. The Heavy rescue team also confers with the medics on sight to determine the best actions for the patient for extrication. Most of the runs are within their fire district. There have been approx. 12 extrications in the last few years with about 100 runs total. The dispatcher determines the criteria that the heavy rescue is dispatched. Ottawa wants a larger contribution from the County if possible. Since the casino revenue is down this year a larger contribution would not be possible. Even though the sales tax collected is holding steady. The ISO rating on the trucks also determine the size of trucks that are needed. Ottawa has been planning to purchase a truck for a few years already. Ottawa's trucks are aging and their usable life is not known. The other departments cannot afford to purchase a truck and maintain it for the amount that is being paid by the County. Ottawa has the resources to do something similar to what Kalida did with getting a newer truck. The EMS does pay for the equipment on the heavy rescue units. Kalida and Ottawa were the only two departments within the County that volunteered to have these units at the time it was proposed. Kalida's old truck is sitting in storage currently. Brinley Mountain out of Alabama is a dealer for emergency equipment. Brinley was used when Ottawa purchased their ladder truck. Kalida does not pay their members but they do contribute to retirement accounts for the members, they then get the money when they quit the department or retire. The townships that are covered get billed for a portion of the bills. Hancock County's handling of heavy rescue was discussed.

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

The minutes from Tuesday September 15, 2020 were reviewed and approved.

A call was received from a lady in Continental about donating a permanent plot for recycling bins in Continental. The plan for the recycling program is not known at this time.

Commissioners Schroeder, Schlumbohm and Lammers held discussions with Amy Sealts regarding reviewing and finalizing the documents for the Business Relief Grant program.

Commissioner Lammers left for the day.

Commissioners Schroeder and Schlumbohm held discussions regarding the current year budget and the status going into the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of the year. Cindy Landwehr gave the Commissioner an update on the current status of the budget going into the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter. The CARES funding can be re-appropriated to reimburse for the additional expense for the year.

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to adjourn for the day.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

Vote: Schroeder yes Lammers absent Schlumbohm yes

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to approve the minutes as read from Thursday, September 17, 2020.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

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