

**Minutes, Thursday January 7, 2021**

Mr. Schlumbohm moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

**WHEREAS**, Employees are needed to keep the Putnam County Recycling Center operating. and

**WHEREAS**, It was proposed to The Board of Putnam County Commissioners to allow non-violent prisoners housed in the County jail to volunteer to work at the Recycling Center to earn hours toward their sentence as permitted by the Ohio Revised Code, and

**WHEREAS**, a contract is needed with the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation to provide coverage to these volunteer inmates from the jail who work at the Putnam County Recycling Center.

now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, The Board of County Commissioners does hereby approve to have non-violent inmates jailed in the Putnam County Jail, who volunteer and who are approved, to work at the Putnam County Recycling Center so as to earn credit toward their jail sentence as permitted under the Ohio Revised Code.

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, The Board of County Commissioners does hereby approve the contract with Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation for coverage to cover these volunteer inmates who are approved to work at the Putnam County Recycling Center.

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

Vote: Mr. Schlumbohm    yes    Mr. Schroeder absent    Mr. Lammers    yes  
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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, 2021, the following increase in revenues is hereby approved:

Fund 081, Putnam Co Emergency Mgt. Agency  
W 4, Grant From State EMA.....\$ 32,990.00

W 6, Miscellaneous Receipts-EMA.....\$ 85,260.00

Fund 120 , Putnam County Emergency Medical

120 FEE, Fees for Ambulance Service.....\$ 1,539,650.00

120 MIS, Misc Receipts Ambulance Service.....\$ 50,000.00

120 TAX, General Tax Settlement.....\$ 520,000.00

120 HRR, Homestead Rollback Reimb.....\$ 9,400.00

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

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

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of County Commissioners of Putnam County, Ohio, that the following appropriation modification be made for the year ending December 31, 2021.

For Sheriff/Jail

From... 4 B11MP, Prisoner Medical.....to.....4 B11PC,Prof Services-Doctor.....\$ 1,252.60

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

Vote: Mr. Schlumbohm yes Mr. Schroeder absent Mr. Lammers yes  
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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, 2021, 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 111, Youth Subsidy FDCC

111B21, Other Expenses.....\$ 30,356.27

111PS21, Personal Services.....\$ 25,070.78

111FR21, Fringes.....\$ 310.94

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

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

**Solid Waste Dist Disp Fees**.....Purchase order 42073  
**County General**.....Purchase order 42074, 42180,  
**Airport Construction Grant**.....Purchase orders 42069, 42075  
**Sheriff**.....Purchase order 41721  
**WIA**.....purchase order 90115  
**Auditor**.....Purchase order 42175, 42176  
**Dog & Kennel**.....Purchase orders 42177,  
**GIS**.....Purchase order 42178  
**O-G Road** .....Purchase order 42179

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

Mr. Lammers seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schlumbohm yes Mr. Schroeder absent Mr. Lammers yes  
Exceptions Mr. Schlumbohm none Mr. Schroeder Mr. Lammers none  
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**Purchase orders and travel requests**

**Capital Improvement**.....Purchase order to Manufacturers Supply for new toilets in 1<sup>st</sup> floor mens room at Courthouse for \$ 1317.72.

**County General**.....Purchase order to Erie Insurance for bond for Engineer for \$ 325.00. Blanket purchase order for officials bonds for \$ 1,000.00. Purchase order to Manufacturers Supply for plumbing supplies for \$ 762.04. Purchase order to Armor Fire for repair pipe in dry system for \$ 1158.00

**Ditch Maintenance**.....Purchase order to Kahle Excavating for work of Lydia Rimer Dt # 738 for \$ 6504.80. Purchase order to Advanced Excavating for work on George Maag Dt # 690 for \$ 4605.00. Purchase order to Sand Ridge Excavating for work on Ray Knippen Dt # 688 for \$ 15,806.00. Purchase order to Sand Ridge Excavating for work on Turkey Foot # 684 for \$ 50,317.45.

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

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schlumbohm yes                      Mr. Schroeder absent                      Mr. Lammers yes  
Exceptions Mr. Schlumbohm none                      Mr. Schroeder                      Mr. Lammers none

Commissioners Schroeder –via video conference, Schlumbohm and Lammers held their organizational meeting for 2021.

Tim Schnipke stopped in to update the Commissioners on the moving of a ticket booth to the Recycling Center for shelter for the workers. It is heated and gives them shelter from the weather. Tim stated there is a short in the wiring going out the front (south) of the building toward the clock and flag pole. The junction needs to be located to help find the short. Some digging may be needed once the junction is located.

Mike Lenhart, Engineer. Greg Bockrath and Troy Recker met with Commissioners Schroeder via video conference, Schlumbohm and Lammers to discuss OPWC funding for Sunset and Fairview within Sewer Dist #1. Greg presented some plans to show the current tiles that are in place for surface drainage. The area is severely deficient in drains and tile for drainage. Grant funding for the last two years was sought for the project and not awarded. They are inquiring to submit this as a small government project for the OPWC funds. Greg said to break up the project in to 2 phases, starting with Sunset and Fairview within Ottawa Township not the Village the next phase would be the Village portion. The Engineer gets a third of a half split with the Townships who gets the two-thirds of a half. In 2011 there was OPWC funding (Round 24) used for a County project running sewer out to Putnam Acres. Since part of the sewer district is not within an incorporated area, it was hoped that OPWC funding could be utilized. The project has been revised to reduce the costs to the County residents. The Engineer is willing to give up one year of OPWC funding to go toward the project, he cannot speak for the Townships on them giving their one year share also. There was a resident meeting for the people involved in the project a few years back, they are discouraged since nothing has happened over the past few years. There were only a few people who were not in favor of the project. There is never a way to make everyone happy. There is at least 90% of support for the project. If the drainage is done as a ditch petition that request would also go through the Engineer's office. Since the increased costs on licenses the Townships and Engineer are receiving additional revenue. Commissioners Schroeder said at one time there was a study done that needed extremely large tile for the area and that made the project excessively expensive. Greg said they have referenced that study but not followed it completely for other Village projects. The Village will not take over the sewer district until there is storm drainage in place. The county will need as asset manager for the sewer system soon in the coming year to comply with more EPA regulations. Since the Village manages the system they could take over the asset management for the County as well. Troy thinks if all the funding could be directed toward the project it would be sufficient to cover the whole project. The Village would be responsible for the areas within the corporation. There is a township meeting at the end of the month, where they can be approached to request their funding. The Engineer and Township could be asked to forego their funding for 1 year to pay for the whole project. The Engineer does not want to be the one to ask the Townships for their portion of funding, since he is also giving up funding, the Commissioners should be doing the asking. The funding amounts have been pretty consistent over the past few years. The loan money is open for application also. The remaining funds could be assessed to the residents over a 10 year period. The request could be presented to the Township Association prior to the meeting so they are aware and discussion will be needed. The gentlemen's agreement with the Trustee's was discussed, there is no documentation of the agreement. The district OPWC

Board meets to decide the funding of projects for each year's round. The methods funding of small government projects was also discussed. The Commissioners do not want the Engineer to have to give up 3 rounds of funding. All the grant funding to the unincorporated areas will be requested for this project. The Commissioners asked Bockrath & Assoc. to draft a letter for them to present to the Township Assoc. The Commissioner hopes to have an answer by the February township meeting. For assessments this project the cost would exceed the benefit. The funding to cover the match and engineering fees will be needed also. The timing of the ditch petition process was discussed as far as coinciding with the project. Properties outside of village limits cannot be assessed by the Village and the County does not have an avenue of assessing properties unless it is a ditch assessment. The project is not specific to sewer district #1 even though they will be benefitting from the project. The Village will not take on the sewer districts without the storm drainage being addressed. The sewer rates for the residents may be lowered once all the improvements are completed and the Village takes over the lines. If the Township and Engineer agrees to forego their portion of OPWC round 36 of funding to give to the project then it can proceed. The project cannot start until July of 2022 if OPWC funding is used.

Commissioner Schroeder left the meeting.

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

The minutes from Tuesday January 5, 2021 were reviewed and approved.

The Board of Revision met to reorganize for the year.

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to adjourn for the day.

Mr. Lammers seconded the motion.

Vote Schlumbohm yes                      Lammers yes                      Schroeder absent

Mr. Lammers moved to approve the minutes as read from Thursday, January 7, 2021.

Mr. Schroeder                      seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schroeder    Y              Mr. Lammers    Y              Mr. Schlumbohm    Y