

**Minutes, Thursday November 18, 2021**

Mr. Lammers moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

**WHEREAS,** The Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners has informed the Board that a petition praying for annexation of certain territory in Ottawa Township to the Village of Ottawa, Putnam County, Ohio, was filed on the 4th day of November, 2021 and

**WHEREAS,** Said petition is hereby attached and becomes a part of this Resolution.  
and

**WHEREAS,** The owners of the land, which is contiguous with the Village of Ottawa, Ohio, requests that the petition be approved, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 709.022. Joseph Schroeder is appointed agent for the petitioner(s), who specifically elect that this petition for annexation follow the special procedures for annexation as outlined in Ohio Revised Code 709.022.  
now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** The petition for annexation to the Village of Ottawa is hereby granted.  
and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That the clerk is hereby directed to forward a certified copy of the entire record of the annexation to the Clerk of the Village of Ottawa for further processing.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion

Vote: Mr. Schlumbohm yes Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Lammers yes  
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Mr. Schroeder 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 Office of Public Safety

From....120 CA, Cost Allocation .....to....120 MED, Medicare.....\$1,500.00

From....120 CA, Cost Allocation.....to.....120 CS1, Contract Services,, \$ 1,650.00

Mr.Schlumbohm seconded the motion

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

**WHEREAS**, Michael L Klear is retiring as the director of the Putnam County Office of Public Safety effective December 27, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of Putnam County Ohio wish to fill the position being vacated by Director Klear and delegate certain authority to the Director; Now therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of County Commissioners of Putnam County Ohio that Brian Hilvers is hereby appointed director of the Putnam County Office of Public Safety effective December 28, 2021;

That Mr. Brian Hilvers and all future Directors of the Putnam County Office of public Safety are hereby delegated the powers of appointing authority with respect to all positions within the office of public safety over which the County Commissioners have appointing authority, including over positions in the Putnam County EMS; and

That the Board of County Commissioners of Putnam County Ohio hereby ratify adopt and approve all personnel decisions made by Director Klear during his tenure as Director of the Putnam County Office of Public Safety;

That the job description for the Director of the Office of Public Safety and the Policies and Procedures for the County and the Office of Public Safety be revised so as to be consistent with each other regarding the changes in the power and authority of the Director of the Office of Public Safety as set forth in this resolution.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion

Vote: Mr. Schlumbohm yes    Mr. Schroeder yes    Mr. Lammers yes  
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Mr. Schlumbohm moved to approved signing the authorization to commence construction for MOU between Blue Harvest Solar Park LLC, Putnam County Commissioners, Putnam County Prosecutor and Monroe Township.

Mr. Lammers seconded the motion

Vote: Mr. Schlumbohm yes    Mr. Schroeder yes    Mr. Lammers yes  
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Mr. Schlumbohm moved to approved signing the Decommissioning Agreement between Blue Harvest Solar Park LLC, Putnam County Commissioners, and Monroe Township.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion

Vote: Mr. Schlumbohm yes    Mr. Schroeder yes    Mr. Lammers yes  
Comm. Jrl. 117 Page 54-62

## Now and Then Purchase orders

**ADAMHS Board**..... Purchase orders 43077, 43258, 43259

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

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

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

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

Mr. seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schlumbohm                      Mr. Schroeder                      Mr. Lammers

Exceptions: Mr. Schlumbohm                      Mr. Schroeder                      Mr. Lammers

Mr. Lammers called the meeting to order with Mr. Schlumbohm and Mr. Schroeder Tim Schnipke stopped in to show the Commissioner the hour meters that he removed from the SD #1 pump station. They were not working properly so replaced both of them. Since the Village bases the bill on the hours the pump runs hopefully this will correct the bill going forward. A letter will need to be written to the Village Council for them to adjust the billing. The past month's bill was unusually high. The pumps were running as they should, however if the pump does not shut off it would still register. The pump at Station C on Sewer Dist. #1 was replaced, it appeared to Tim that it was an old pump possibly 20 years old. Tim asked if 2 spare pumps should be ordered since the prices are going up and the other pump station needs a new pump also.

Jennifer Horstman of ADAMHS Board met with Commissioners Schroeder, Schlumbohm and Lammers to give them an annual update. Jennifer presented a report of the past fiscal year. There have been changes to services due to COVID. There was an increase in crisis services and so there are expanded evening hours. The County works with Coleman to cover the extended crisis service hours. The number of employees for ADAMHS is 2 + the board, the other employees are through Pathways. Are the schools looking for full time people to come in? There are counselors that go to the schools. Some of the schools have their own social workers or navigators in addition to the guidance counselors. The guidance counselors deal more with the academic direction of the students. CANS assessments are being done within the County to determine the services needed for the students. It is a new program. The funding sources were reviewed. For Putnam County being a small single county board, they do very well. Drug and Alcohol services have been enhanced; it is mostly court ordered. There will be more school counselors hired, although it is hard to find the employees. Sustaining the increase in wages was discussed. The opioid crisis was discussed and if any increase has been seen, Jennifer said the meth use is increasing within the County. There is no family structure anymore, is it increasing the amount of suicide in children. Internet and social media are a large influencer on the children and it is taking a toll. The lack of religion was brought up, religion is not allowed to be brought up but just use positive words. The entitlement attitude of the current generation was discussed.

Parenting cannot be taught. Putnam County is doing better than Allen County but everyone is struggling to find and keep employees.

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

The minutes from Tuesday, November 16, 2021 were reviewed and approved.

Kim Redman stopped in to talk to the Commissioners about the ATM machine in the courthouse. Kim wanted to inform them of the status of the agreement.

Commissioner Lammers left for the day.

Jamie Zawila of RRS met with Commissioners Schroeder and Schlumbohm and Alaina Siefker virtually to discuss the County's Solid Waste Plan Update. Jamie reviewed the budget for the plan. Jamie will do a letter and send it for review by the commissioners.

It is a letter stating they would support the budget for the plan. In 2030 may need to increase gen fees and then county contributions could be less. EPA looks mostly at 1<sup>st</sup> 6 years in the planning period. John S asked if she could add a section in her budget to separate wages out for the drivers and MRF. Jamie mentioned most plastic places are paying \$2000/T for clear like milk jugs, \$1000/T for colored and for others \$450/T but for them to be separated out. She will finalize the last of the plan corrections and email that over once completed to us and the EPA for their approval. She will also send over the certification statement that will need to be signed by the policy committee. The public notice for the paper will need to be in by December 20<sup>th</sup> - 1 local newspaper, website post and Facebook post would be good.

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to adjourn for the day.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

Vote: Schlumbohm yes Schroeder yes Lammers absent

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to approve the minutes as read from Thursday, November 18, 2021.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

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