

**Minutes, Thursday December 14, 2023**

Mr. Lammers moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

that to provide for the unanticipated revenues for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2023, 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

15 A 15A, Advances Out.... \$56,000.00

(For Ditch Maintenance)

and also

BE IT RESOLVED, That per the request of The Board of County Commissioners for the purpose of the Ditch Maintenance 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	R 5, Advance In	\$56,000.00
(Advance for Ditch Maintenance Fund)		

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Lammers yes Mr. Schlumbohm 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, Ohio, that to provide for the unanticipated revenues for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2023, the following sums be and the same are hereby minus appropriated for the purpose for which expenditures are to be made during the fiscal year as follows:

**Minus appropriation:**

**Fund 006, Job & Family, Public Assistance**

**H 5, Relief Allowance.....\$100,000.00**

**H 16, Salaries-Employees.....\$ 72,000.00**

**Minus appropriation:**

**Fund 039, Workforce Investment**

**39, ADM , Administration.....\$ 1,478.89**

**Minus appropriation:**

**Fund 003, Children Services**

**SS 5, Substitute Care.....\$ 144,678.39**

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Lammers yes Mr. Schlumbohm 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, 2023.

Fund 001

For Sheriff/Jail

From...4 B 11GR, Groceries.....to.....6 A 5, Car Repairs.....\$ 4,500.00

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Lammers yes Mr. Schlumbohm 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 County, Ohio, that the following appropriation modification be made for the year ending December 31, 2023.

For Airport.....

From...5 A 4, Equipment.....to....5 A 6, Services.....\$ 347.00

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Lammers yes Mr. Schlumbohm 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, Ohio, that to provide for the unanticipated revenues for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2023, 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:

**Minus appropriation:**

Fund 064, Enterprise Zone

64 VIL, Villages.....\$ 1,500.00

64 SCH, Schools..... \$ 1,300.00

64 TWP. Townships.....\$ 8,800.00

64 COM, Commissioners.....\$ 2,600.00

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Lammers yes Mr. Schlumbohm 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, 2023.

For County General

From..... 4 B 12, Equipment.....to 4 A 2, Compensation of Janitors.....\$ 720.00

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

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

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Mr. Lammers moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

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For ADAMHS

AA-9, PERS.....\$ 1,000.00

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Lammers yes Mr. Schlumbohm 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, Ohio, that to provide for the unanticipated revenues for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2023, 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:

**Minus appropriation:**

**Fund 159, VAWA Grant**

**159 SER, Services.....\$ 13,402.53**

**159 SA, Salaries.....\$ 3,685.02**

**Minus Appropriation:**

**Fund 160, OWDA**

**160 LO, Loan Payback.....\$ 16,378.32**

Mr. Lammers seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Lammers yes Mr. Schlumbohm 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, 2023, 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

**Minus appropriation:**

**Fund 018, General Ditch**

**Q 27, Contract Services.....\$ 107,899.60**

**Q 34A, Other Expenses.....\$ 2,500.00**

**Q 34 B, Assessments other counties...\$ 3,490.01**

**Minus Appropriation:**

**Fund 076, Sewer Dist #1**

**P 9, Village of Ottawa.....\$ 36,063.85**

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

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

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Mr. Lammers moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

**WHEREAS,** The State of Ohio makes available funds to assist public transportation systems in Ohio.

and

**WHEREAS,** It is the intent of the Putnam County Airport Authority to apply to the Department of Transportation Division of Aviation for improvement grant funds in order to complete the installation of the AWOS III PT at the Putnam County Airport.

now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** The Board of County Commissioners does hereby authorize the president of the Putnam County Airport Authority to authorize and direct to file an application and execute contracts with the Ohio Department of Transportation Division of Aviation on behalf of the Putnam County Airport Authority for improvements at the Putnam County Airport.

and be it further

**RESOLVED,** The Board of County Commissioners does hereby agree that the Putnam County Airport has sufficient funds available for the portion which will not be paid by Department of Transportation, and the required local funding has been appropriated.

and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That this resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

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

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Mr. Schlumbohm moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

**WHEREAS**, The State of Ohio makes available funds to assist public transportation systems in Ohio.

and

**WHEREAS**, It is the intent of the Putnam County Airport Authority to apply to the Department of Transportation Division of Aviation for improvement grant funds in order to complete the T-Hangar & Taxilane Design, Seal Taxiway at the Putnam County Airport.

now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, The Board of County Commissioners does hereby authorize the president of the Putnam County Airport Authority to authorize and direct to file an application and execute contracts with the Ohio Department of Transportation Division of Aviation on behalf of the Putnam County Airport Authority for improvements at the Putnam County Airport.

and be it further

**RESOLVED**, The Board of County Commissioners does hereby agree that the Putnam County Airport has sufficient funds available for the portion which will not be paid by Department of Transportation, and the required local funding has been appropriated.

and be it further

**RESOLVED**, That this resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Mr. Lammers seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Lammers yes Mr. Schlumbohm 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, 2023:

Fund 001 Clerk of Courts/Muni Court

From...2 M 3, Supplies.....to...2 M 2H, Fringe Benefits.....\$ 1,000.00

From...2 M 7, Witness Fees...to ..2 M 2H, Fringe Benefits....\$ 1,000.00

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Lammers yes Mr. Schlumbohm 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, Ohio, that to provide for the unanticipated revenues for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2023, 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

15 A 17A, Contingencies/Miscellaneous .....\$10,000.00

(Landbank seed money)

Mr. Lammers seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Lammers yes Mr. Schlumbohm 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, 2023

For Juvenile/Probate

From....2 C 38, Public Defender-Juv....to...2 C 36D1,Juv Court Attorney Fees.....\$500.00

From....2 C 45, Medical Evaluations...to...2 C 36D1,Juv Court Attorney Fees.....\$1,000.00

From....2 C 25, Transcripts & CT Stenos.....to.....2 C 36D1,Juv Court Attorney Fees.....\$500.00

From.....2 C 42D, Juv Detention Home.....to...2 C 36D1,Juv Court Attorney  
Fees.....\$4,552.00

From.....2 C 33, Transportation/ Auto Repair /Fuel ...to....2 C 36D1,Juv Court Attorney  
Fees.....\$70.00

From...2 C 36 D, Other Expenses Juv Court.....to 2 C 36D1,Juv Court Attorney  
Fees.....\$175.00

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

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

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### **Then/Now Purchase orders**

**Dog & Kennel**.....purchase order 46740

**Probate Court**.....purchase order 46676

**Juvenile Court**.....purchase order 46857

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

Mr. Lammers seconded the motion.

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

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

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### **Purchase orders and travel requests**

**County Airport**.....Purchase order to Ohio Aviation Assoc. for 2023 membership renewal for \$347.00.

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. Lammers Mr. Schlumbohm

Dennis Bendele of Ottoville met with Commissioners Schroeder, Schlumbohm and Lammers to discuss solar farms. Brad Brubaker joined the meeting also. Mr. Bendele is concerned about the restrictions on the solar farms. He is asking about a smaller scale farm about 60 acres. The large farms are over 50 megawatts about 300 +acres. The county has limits on the large-scale farms. There are also limits set by the townships. The Commissioners cannot set any further limits. Other people should not tell owners what to do with their land. Mr. Bendele lives near the Dollar General in Ottoville he did not want them to come int the area. They disrupt the neighborhood in the early morning hours. What is going to happen with the power grid, it cannot



support the current electric needs and if the electric cars are purchased there is more need for electricity. But if we are limiting what can be produced what is going to happen? Vince explained the tax abatements and the actual payments of taxes without the abatements. The PILOT payments are discounted tax payments. If the electric companies would pay the actual taxes the entities Villages, schools, etc. would get more tax benefits from them. Mr. Bendele said the landowners should be more responsible with the area outside the fences. Mr. Bendele shared his email address so the current solar regulations could be sent to him. Mr. Bendele says he is working on contracts to keep his land under his family's ownership. An escrow account was set up and is reviewed periodically. He is looking out for his kids. The company he is working with is the first project for them in this area. The regulations must also be enforced. The Commissioners are not outlawing the owners' responsibilities with their land. The solar farm payments would be increased revenue for the land versus farming. There are many companies looking to grow into Putnam County. Make sure the offers that were presented are valid, not all offers work out how they are originally presented. The new fish processing plant in Ottoville was discussed. Mr. Bendele wants the land owners' rights to be protected. Mr. Bendele's lease terms were discussed further. The Commissioners told him to be aware.

Commissioners Schroeder, Schlumbohm and Lammers attended a Planning Commission meeting.

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

The minutes from Tuesday December 12, 2023 were reviewed and approved.

Commissioners Schroeder, Schlumbohm and Lammers attended an Investment meeting with Tracy Warnecke, Kim Redman and Bob Benroth.

Roy Klopfenstein stopped in to see the Commissioners and update them on the recent issues.

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to adjourn for the day.

Mr. Lammers seconded the motion.

Vote Schroeder yes Lammers yes Schlumbohm yes

Mr. Schroeder moved to approve the minutes as read from Thursday, December 14, 2023.

Mr. Lammers seconded the motion.

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