# Minutes, Tuesday November 21, 2023

Mr. Schroeder moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

**WHEREAS,** The Board of County Commissioners has received a request from Robert Benroth, auditor, to establish a revenue line and an appropriation line for Hoersten Jared M & Emily J SURV TIF in Fund 106, Tax Equivalent.

now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** The Board of County Commissioners does hereby agree to have the Putnam County Auditor create the following revenue line in Fund 106, Tax Equivalent:

106 JHOER

and be it further

**RESOLVED**, The Board of County Commissioners does hereby agree to have the Putnam County Auditor to create the following appropriation line:

### 106 JHOER

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

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

Comm. Jrl. 119, Page 356

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 076, Sewer Dist #1 P 13, PERS Sewer Dist...... \$ 35.52 Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion. Vote: Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Lammers absent Mr. Schlumbohm yes

Comm. Jrl. 119, Page 357

Mr. Schroeder moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

**WHEREAS,** The Board has received requests from the various departments of Job and Family Services for approval of travel expenses for the month of December 2023. now therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUTNAM COUNTY, OHIO**, hereby approve payment of the expenses per the attached list in accordance with Section 325.20 of the Ohio Revised Code and authorizes the Auditor to issue warrants per attached list upon receipt of invoices and be if further

**RESOLVED**, That the Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to issue any advanced warrants as necessary.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

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

Comm. Jrl. 119, Page 358-359

Mr. Schlumbohm moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

**WHEREAS,** Putnam County is in need of an agent regarding the development of county owned property located at Liberty Drive (Parcel 31-530092.0000);

# and

**WHEREAS**, under ORC 1724.10(B) the Board of County Commissioners may designate the Putnam County Community Improvement Corporation (CIC) as their agent for the Liberty Drive property and enter into an agreement with the CIC for them to prepare a plan for the County for the commercial development of the land.

now therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that The Board of Putnam County Commissioners does hereby designate the Putnam County CIC to act as economic development agent for the development of land located at Liberty Drive. (Parcel 31-530092.0000):

and be it also

**RESOLVED,** that Board of County Commissioners, Putnam County, Ohio, agrees to enter into an agreement with Putnam County CIC to convey to the CIC the said property located

at Liberty Drive (Parcel 31-530092.0000) for the purpose of assisting in the development of a commercial property.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.Vote: Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Lammers absent Mr. Schlumbohm yesComm. Jrl. 119, Page 360Mr. 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.

For Prosecutor

From.....1 E 1A, Salary Asst Prosecutor....to...1 E 2, Comp of Employees ....\$20,000.00

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

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

Comm. Jrl. 119, Page 361

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 Airport.....

From...5 A 2, Salaries Airport......to....5 A 6, Services......\$ 595.43
Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.
Vote: Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Lammers absent Mr. Schlumbohm yes
Comm. Jrl. 119, Page 362

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 Office of Public Safety

From 120 SA6, Unit 301......to.... 120 SA3, Full Time Employee Salaries .....\$16,000.00

From...120 MIS, Miscellaneous.....to.....120 SA8, Unit 306 Salaries.....\$ 28,906.21 From...120 MIS, Miscellaneous...to.....120 SA6, Unit 301.......\$ 3,684.40 From....120 MIS, Miscellaneous..to......120 SA5, Full-time Salaries....\$ 15,522.56

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

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

Comm. Jrl. 119, Page 363

Mr. Schlumbohm 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 Palmer Township to the Village of Miller City, Putnam County, Ohio, was filed on the 27th day of October, 2023.

and

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

and

**WHEREAS,** The owners of the land, J & H Alt, LLC in Palmer Township, which is contiguous with the Village of Miller City, Ohio, requests that the petition be approved, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 709.022. Austin Buchholz is appointed agent for the petitioner(s), who request that their petition be considered under Section 709.021 of the Ohio Revised Code, and that they be permitted to proceed with their annexation petition under Section 790.022 as a special procedure with the consent of all parties.

now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** The petition for annexation to the Village of Miller City 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 Miller City for further processing.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

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

Comm. Jrl. 119, Page 364-364R

Mr. Schroeder 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 Palmer Township to the Village of Miller City, Putnam County, Ohio, was filed on the 27th day of October, 2023.

and

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

and

**WHEREAS,** The owners of the land, Kenneth F. Palte and Mary Jane Palte and Lou Ann Stachowiak in Palmer Township, which is contiguous with the Village of Miller City, Ohio, requests that the petition be approved, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 709.022. Austin Buchholz is appointed agent for the petitioner(s), who request that their petition be considered under Section 709.021 of the Ohio Revised Code, and that they be permitted to proceed with their annexation petition under Section 790.022 as a special procedure with the consent of all parties.

now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, The petition for annexation to the Village of Miller City 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 Miller City for further processing.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

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

Comm. Jrl. 119, Page 365-365R

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 15A, Advances Out.....\$3,200.00

BE IT RESOLVED, That per the request of The Board of County Commissioners for the purpose of the Airport Construction Grant Fund the following advance of funds is authorized by the Board of County Commissioners:

FROM	<u>TO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
15 A 15A, Advances Out	57AI, Advance In	\$ 3,200.00
Mr. Schroeder seconded t	he motion.	
Vote: Mr. Schroeder yes	Mr. Lammers absent Mr. Schlumbohm	ı yes
Comm. Jrl. 119, Page 366		
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:

Fund 025, Putnam County Council on Aging

25 EXP, Grant Expense..... \$151,278.00

(Ohio Healthy Aging Grant)

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Lammers absent Mr. Schlumbohm yes Comm. Jrl. 119, Page 367

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.

For Title Administration

From......52 OT, Other Expense......to.....52 SA, Salaries......\$ 5,000.00

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

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

Comm. Jrl. 119, Page 368

### Then/Now Purchase orders

Solid Waste Dist Disp Fees......Purchase order 46376, 46682, 46590Capital Improvement.....Purchase order 46683County Airport.....Purchase order 46685County General.....Purchase order 46688Mr. Schroedermoved to approve the then and now purchase orders.Mr. Schlumbohmseconded the motion.

Vote:Mr. Schroeder yesMr. Lammers absentMr. Schlumbohm yesExceptions:Mr. Schroeder noneMr. LammersMr. Schlumbohm noneComm.Jrl. 119, Page 369Mr. Schlumbohm none

# Purchase orders and travel requests

**Capital Improvement.....**Purchase order to Muhlenkamp Building Corp for change order #8 replacing seating in grandstand for \$ 4554.00.

**County General/IT**.....Blanket purchase order for Travel to attend the Engage –Central Square conference in 2024 for \$ 1,000.00. Travel request for Commissioner Schroeder to attend the CCAO winter conference in Columbus Dec 6-8, 2023 with purchase order for mileage, lodging, meals, registration and parking for \$ 1,423.00.

**EMA**......Travel request for Brian Hilvers to attend the G2300 intermediate conference in Columbus Dec 11- Dec 15, 2023 with purchase order for lodging, meals, and other totaling \$ 635.00.

**Putnam County Council on Aging.....**Purchase order to Putnam county Council on Aging for Ohio Healthy Aging Grant for \$ 151,278.00

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

Mr. Schlumbohmseconded the motion.Vote: Mr. SchroederyesMr. Lammers absentMr. Schlumbohm yesExceptions: Mr. Schroeder noneMr. LammersMr. Schlumbohm none

Tim Schnipke met with Commissioners Schroeder and Schlumbohm and Lammers via teleconference to review maintenance updates. Tim brought the new print of the fairgrounds adding the new sewer, water and electric lines for the Commissioners to review. There was a change to the water line it is no longer going to the road for tap in it is going 90 feet to the existing line toward the Pandora food tent. The gas line will be tapped from the Dog Shelter. The electric line will be separated also. It was asked whose responsibility it is to run the gas line would it be the provider? Tim will contact the gas company. Tim said the Fairgrounds could use a new dump truck also. Tim said he can move the dirt from the digging for moving the lines. The building is progressing Tim said they are working on the metal. The concrete work is not done yet. There have been some issues with K & L Ready Mix. Dispatch at the Sheriff's office is getting new consoles and redoing the 911 room so they are displaced during this work. Maintenance and IT are taking care of the electrical needs for the renovations.

Nolan Croy stopped in to give the Commissioners an update on the Greg Verhoff parcel in Union Township. There is a split request for this parcel and Nolan wanted to give the Commissioners time to review, since a variance is needed. The width to depth of these parcels was discussed. The road frontage was questioned. Nolan explained a scenario in Defiance County where parcels are out of square the parcels are not used completely for residential purposes. Too many driveways close together creates more potential for accidents also. This would be starting a precedent. Nolan can contact the surveyor to ask for the reasoning for the split request. The current relations for road frontage is 3:1, the reason for this request.

Commissioners Schroeder and Schlumbohm and Lammers via teleconference held discussions on the demolition grant with Tracy Warnecke and Ashley Siefker. Why is Maumee Valley doing the consulting on the demo grant? There have been complaints from some contractor who have worked with Maumee Valley on demo projects. Ashley said Bockrath engineered the addresses for the previous demo grant. Now since there is a land bank established for Putnam County, the board for the land bank board will determine who is administering the grant. Tracy explained the setup of the board and the request from Amy at the CIC. Amy Sealts contacted Maumee Valley to assist in setting up the land bank. Bockrath & Assoc. is holding the addresses for the possible demos. The problem is that Bockrath does not think they will be involved in the demo grant. The land bank will decide who is doing what for the demo grant. The demo grant is first come first served, the county has been allocated funds. The landbank is the lead on the grant and must contract with the consultant and contractors. The commissioners do not have control, it is the control of the land bank. The resolutions for the land bank have already been approved. Where did the info come from that Maumee Valley would be handling the grant? That is not known.. The landbank meeting is scheduled for next Thursday. The land bank can hire Bockrath to do administer the demo grant. Maumee Valley is for consulting on how the landbank works. Ashley currently acts as the landbank for the current grant. The land bank board must make the decisions not the board of Commissioners. The landbank will apply for the grant and will be the lead. Since a landbank is formed they are the lead. Bockrath needs to understand that it is still getting set up and they are still eligible to do the engineering. It was asked if Bockrath should attend the meeting next week to help them understand the rules of the landbank. Maumee Valley would get 10% admin per project. Since this is a new entity, some consulting is needed, no one has had experience with a land bank. The land bank has to make the decisions of who to hire and who gets paid for admin for the grant. Maumee Valley is needed for the expertise of dealing with and establishing a land bank, which his its own entity. Can the land bank hire Ashley for the administration rather than Maumee Valley? Amy was looking at this more for commercial properties. The Commissioners will contact Greg Bockrath and inform him of the requirements of the landbank. The landbank can acquire property and clean it up but he they can also not acquire it and just clean it up and let the owner keep it. Ashley brought up the Cloverdale and Dupont project and that they were mentioned in a magazine for using CDBG money.

Commissioners Schroeder Schlumbohm and Lammers via teleconference called Greg Bockrath to clarify some issues with the demo grant and the land bank. The Commissioners invited Greg and Troy to the meeting next week to discuss the land bank. Greg would like to know what Maumee Valley is doing for the demo grant. The Commissioners said Maumee Valley would be asked to help setup the land bank and advise. Greg said they could do the same thing they did for the first demo grant. The Commissioners explained that the landbank has already been established so the process has changed. Greg is meeting with Amy Sealts today.

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

Tim Merschman stopped in to ask why the plastics are limited at the recycling. What happens to the rest of the plastics? There is nowhere local to recycling all the plastics. The other plastics could be recycled but the county does not have the means locally or the funds to ship them out for complete plastic recycling. Mr. Merschman has recycled shingles for his house made from plastic, fiberglass and soybean straw. He was asking what happened to the other plastics that are not recycled. Why is the CO2 trying to be reduced? The CO2 in the air is beneficial to the fields and foilage. The plants all use CO2.

Mike Lenhart, Engineer stopped in the office to inform the Commissioner about some calls he received from the Karhoff brothers about closing the bridge on Road M-6. The trustees are coming in next week to discuss with the Commissioners. Mr. Lenhart says it is a safety and liability issue being open since overweight and oversized vehicles are using it. If a height limit is put in to stop large vehicles form using it will create another liability issue. If another road is closed for construction GPS could route people down the road as an alternate. The bridge will still be open for pedestrians and bicycles barriers will be installed to prevent larger vehicles from entering the bridge. There is already signage posted for the bridge limits and large vehicles, the signs are ignored. If the bridge/road is closed how will the GPS know it is closed? A resolution has already been passed to close the bridge. No outlet signs will be posted at the ends of the road and bridge closures signs will be posted at the bridge with concrete blocks and steel posts to prevent vehicles from entering the bridge. A cul-de-sac will be installed for traffic to turn around. The Commissioners said Lenhart should put the block up tomorrow even though the

meeting with the trustees is next week. The Commissioners made the decision to close the bridge based on advice received from the Engineer. The size of vehicles has changed over the years, trucks and farm equipment have all grown. If the bridge gets damaged there would not be funds to replace the bridge. If the bridge is replaced with today's standards it would taxpayer expense.

Commissioners Schroeder and Schlumbohm with Van Wert County Commissioners Lichtensteiger and Owens attended an informational meeting for the Utrup-Heiising Dt.

The minutes from Thursday November 16, 2023 were reviewed and approved.

Mr. Schroeder moved to adjourn for the day.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

Vote: Schroeder yes Lammers absent Schlumbohm yes

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to approve the minutes as read from Tuesday, November 21, 2023. Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion. Vote: Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Lammers abstain Mr. Schlumbohm yes