

Minutes, Tuesday January 30, 2024

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, 2024, 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 113, PutCo Water/Sewer

113 ES-PO, Sewer Usage Pohl Rd.....\$ 600.00

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, Ohio, that to provide for the unanticipated revenues for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2024, 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 151, PSI Fund

151 EXP22, Expenses.....\$ 1,200.00

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

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

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Mr. Schlumbohm moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

that to provide for the unanticipated revenues for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2024, 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.... \$42,080.00

(For Solid Waste Dis Disp Fees)

and also

BE IT RESOLVED, That per the request of The Board of County Commissioners for the purpose of the Solid Waste District Disposal Fees 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, Advances Out	35 AI, Advance In	\$42,080.00
(Advance needed for recycling grant match)		

And also

that to provide for the unanticipated revenues for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2024, 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 035, Solid Waste Dist Disp Fees

35 EQ, Equipment.....\$ 42,080.70

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

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

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Mr. Schlumbohm moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, The Board of County Commissioners held a public hearing on the 25th day of January, 2024, in the Commissioners' Office of the Putnam County Court House, to discuss the amendments to the Planning Commission regulations for depth to width ratios of parcels in Putnam County, Ohio.

and

WHEREAS, The Putnam County Planning Commission held a meeting on the 14th day of December, 2023, and recommended to the Board of County Commissioners to amend the regulations for a depth to width ratio to 3.0:1 ratio to be the maximum for parcels.

now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The Board of County Commissioners does hereby adopt the attached regulations regarding the amendment on the depth to width ratio to 3.0:1 as a maximum for parcels in Putnam County, Ohio.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

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

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Then/Now Purchase orders

T-CAP.....Purchase orders 47330, 47331

PSI Grant....Purchase order 47332

Youth Subsidy....Purchase order 47338

Solid Waste Dist Disp Fees.....purchase order 47297, 47298

Ditch Maintenance.....purchase order 47299

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

Mr. Lammers 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

County General.....Purchase order to CLCCA for 2024 dues & membership for \$ 125.00.
Purchase order to Secure Tech Systems Inc for custom radio interface harness for MARCS Radios for \$ 1,100.00.

Auditor.....Travel request for Robert Benroth to attend the Real Estate 1-31 Tax Deferred Exchange Seminar in Lima, OH on Jan. 31, 2024 no expense listed.

Capital Improvement.....Purchase order to Helms Construction for change order #7 for additional work on waterline for \$ 17,773.25, for change order # 6 for labor and materials for 20 gauge studs for walls for \$ 4,991.00, for change order #5 for additional site work for \$ 5,311.21.

Workforce Investment.....Purchase order to Trainco for CDL Training for J. Utrup for \$ 6,210.00, Purchase order to Verhoff Alfalfa Mills for CDL Training for \$ 5,253.75, Purchase order to County Electric for IWT Training for \$9,477.00, Purchase order to Rhodes State College for Training K. Koeplinger Spring of @024 for \$2,328.28

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

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

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

Exceptions: Mr. Schlumbohm Capital Imp Mr. Schroeder Capital Imp Mr. Lammers Capital Imp

A joint county conference call with Van Wert and Allen County Commissioners regarding the West Jennings Creek. Brad Brubaker sat in on the meeting. It was asked if the project is ready to proceed, there are still some concerns on the Jennings Creek which is under maintenance with Allen County. It was determined that the area in question will handle the flow of the water that will come with the new project. Jennings Creek was petitioned and had log jam and sand bar removal done. It is under maintenance and is clear. There are no major issues with Jennings Creek. The issue is that the water will be coming much faster. There will be flooding issues if the rain comes at a high rate. Has there been any work done by Allen County in Putnam County on the Jennings Creek? Allen County said they need to be informed of the problem areas, there are no visible issues. The Allen County Engineer representative is not on the call today. No one has any other issues with this project. It was confirmed if any Jennings creek landowners contacted Allen County with any issues they have. The Allen County Engineer is being contacted to confirm if any work has been done on Jennings Creek recently. Joe Gehring of Allen County Engineer joined the meeting also. He confirmed that Jennings Creek the Allen portion was walked and no issues were found. Ron Knippen did contact the Allen County Engineer with his concerns. The concerns are flooding. Mr. Knippen's auto dealership is Delphos is downstream. There are numerous log jams on West Jennings Creek at the Jennings Creek intersection. A logjam on Jennings Creek has been removed. As of now there are no logjams on Jennings Creek as this logjam was removed in the last 2-3 months. Ryan Moran and Jeremy Gerding joined the meeting. Nathan Davis and Josh Foster walked the Jennings Creek. Putnam's Engineer confirmed that the Putnam Landowners were concerned with additional flooding issues which could be caused by this new project. There is one hefty logjam on the Jennings downstream of West Jennings Creek, there are no funds until the settlement is complete. And when the funds are available the work will be done. There is a potential for flooding and there is a need for retention to relieve some of the flooding. The people on West Jennings deserve to have a clean ditch just like everyone else. A motion to set a date for a final hearing was made. Owens moved. Schlumbohm seconded the motion. The roll was called and a vote was taken. Majority vote and motion passed. The notices will go out to the landowners. A hearing will be held on April 9 at 10 am. The location of the hearing was discussed, possibly at Van Wert High School again. Schlumbohm moved to adjourn Wolfrum seconded the motion.

Motion passed meeting adjourned.

Ryan explained the project and that it is not more water but it will come quicker.

Riley Township Trustees met with Commissioners Schroeder, Schlumbohm and Lammers regarding the Road M-6 Bridge closure. Brad Brubaker, Dennis Schmenk, Mark Kinsinger, Greg Amstutz, Scott Meyer, Patrick Blasius, Joe Karhoff were present. An estimate of \$8,000 was given for rating the bridge, which is a full inspection of the bridge. The prosecutor will be consulted on further actions on the bridge. It was explained that if the bridge is not made to take a larger capacity and it is reopened that would create more of a liability on behalf of the County. Kyle Gerding from the Engineer's office joined the meeting. The number one concern is safety. If a height restriction is put in place a large low-profile vehicle uses the bridge and it collapses

there is another issue. Mr. Meyer said there is aggravation about the bridge being closed since all the money was put into it to restore it. The bridge is fine up to 5 ton. The bridge will pass an inspection up to 5 ton. If someone goes over the bridge overweight and it collapses it is not the county's liability. The legislation is already passed to close the bridge. The bridge is rated for 5 ton. What would happen if this happens on another bridge within the County? The Road O bridge that is being replaced had large loads of tomatoes going across it all season. What about reinforcing the bridge. The resolution that was passed said the bridge was defective, but it is not it is good up to 5 ton. What is the opinion about going forward this signage for weight restrictions? Is there a chance that a load rating would come in for 6 ton for the bridge? No, it would most likely be rated the same. Could the tonnage be lowered for the bridge limit? The Commissioners do not want to open themselves up for more liability issues. There are new requirements coming for bridge inspections. The bridge belongs to the county. The Prosecutor and Engineer need to be consulted to come to an agreement for any changes on the bridge closure. The township is willing to make new signage for the bridge for restrictions. With two bridges in same neighborhood being closed at the same time, is there a reason for being done at the same time. They are not both closed at the same time but the times could overlap a bit. A recent pursuit that happened over the bridge was discussed. The liability insurance on the bridge was discussed.

Commissioners discussed the quotes that were submitted by Brian Hilvers for 2 new vehicles. They do not want to buy Durangos which is what is listed on the quotes. The Commissioners will tell Brian to wait until April when the ordering for new Fords is open.

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

The minutes from Thursday January 25, 2024 were reviewed and approved.

Tracy Warnecke came in to inform the Commissioners about the immediate status of a CD that was discussed at the Investment meeting last week.

Nolan Croy stopped in to give the Commissioners an update on the Continental solar farm. The Homier's farm ground is actively for sale along with the lease being transferred.

Mr. Lammers moved to adjourn for the day.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

Vote: Schlumbohm yes Schroeder yes Lammers yes

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to approve the minutes as read from Tuesday, January 30, 2024.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

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