

Minutes, Tuesday February 27, 2024

Mr. Schlumbohm moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, The Board of County Commissioners are of the opinion that the flow of traffic in the Department of Job & Family Services will be at a minimum on Good Friday, March 29, 2024, and to allow employees to attend services if they so desire.

now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The Board of County Commissioners does hereby close the Putnam County Job & Family Services Department on Friday, March 29, 2024, to allow employees to attend services if they so desire.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

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

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Mr. Schlumbohm moved to table this resolution for confirmation from JFS on their hours on Fridays.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

Vote Schlumbohm yes Schroeder yes Lammers yes

After confirmation that JFS only operates for four hours on Fridays the resolution was revisited and approved.

Mr. Schroeder moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, The Board of County Commissioners are aware that on Monday April 8, 2024 there will be a solar eclipse occurring, in which the county will be in the path of totality, and may affect the area with an influx of visitors. In the interest of public safety the courthouse will be close at noon on Monday April 8, 2024.

Now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The Board of County Commissioners will close the courthouse at noon on Monday April 8, 2024.

Mr. Lammers seconded the motion.

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

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Mr. Schroeder moved to approve the Independent Contractor Agreement between Putnam County and Great Lakes Community Action Partnership starting Feb 1, 2024 through June 30, 2024 to update the county's Fair Housing Analysis of Impediments for a fee not to exceed \$10,000.00.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

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

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Mr. Lammers moved to approve the Commissioners signing the Application for Deposit of Public Moneys with Ottoville Bank Company.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

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

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to approve the contract for the Sheriff to provide security to Northwest Ohio Grain on March 13, 2024 through March 16, 2024.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

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

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, 2024.

For E-911 Communications

From...100 CE, Communication Equipment.....to.....100 CEG, Comm Equip Grant.....\$ 18,000.00

From... 100 CSER, Comm Contract Services.....to 100 CEG, Comm Equip Grant....\$ 1,000.00

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

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

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Mr. Schlumbohm moved to approve the Bill of Sale for miscellaneous improvements and right of way between Joseph & Betsy Schwab and Putnam County Commissioners for a driveway acquisition for \$ 1,437.00 for the Road O bridge replacement project.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

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

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, 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 100, E-911/Communications

100 CEG, Communication Equipment Grant.....\$648,517.35

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

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

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Mr. Schlumbohm moved to approve signing the warranty deed for the property swap between the Putnam County Commissioners and the Village of Ottawa located along Putnam Parkway for 3.991 acres.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

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

Then/Now Purchase orders

EMS....Purchase order 5148

VAWA Grant.....Purchase order 47406

Mr. Schlumbohm 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

Sheriff/ Jail.....Travel request for Bryce Carson to attend the basic C.O. Academy/Test at the Wood County Jail in Bowling Green, OH on April 1st- 26th, 2024 with purchase order #47076 for registration, meals, other and test(TBD) totaling \$1,265.00.

Auditor.....Travel request for Auditor Bob Benroth to attend the NW Ohio Auditor's Assoc. Meeting in Napoleon, OH on Feb. 23, 2024 with expenses for registration and other misc. fees totaling \$45.00.

E-911.....Travel request for Todd Worchuck to attend the Engage conference in Dallas, TX on May 5-May 8, 2024 with purchase order for lodging, meals, registration, and other totaling \$ 2,060.00.

Solid Waste Dist Disp Fees.....Purchase order to OALPRP for 2024 annual membership for \$ 100.00.

Recorder.....Travel request for Sherri Britsch to attend the ORA spring Conference in Dublin, OH on Apr 15-16, 2024, with expenses for mileage, lodging, meals and other totaling \$ 282.76.

County General.....Purchase order to Putnam County CIC for upgrades to Build Putnam career portal for CIC for \$ 9,000.00. Blanket purchase order for supplies and county paper for \$ 8,500.00.

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

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

Brian Jostpile and Mike Lenhart met with Commissioners Schroeder, Schlumbohm and Lammers to discuss the St Rt 12 And Road 17-S stop sign. Mr. Jostpile is voicing his concerns on the installation of the stop sign. There are many people who want the stop sign removed. Mr. Jostpile does not live in Putnam County but he does own ground in Putnam County. That is the only intersection that has a stop sign for a county road on Lincoln Highway from Findlay to Delphos. This stop sign is a hinderance to large trucks trying to turn. Mr. Jostpile does not think the stop sign is needed. Mr. Mull who owns the property one the corner and who happens to be a Sugarcreek township trustee. The trustees said this was not presented from the trustees. It was presented from Mr. Mull privately. Mr. Lenhart has the accident records for that intersection. The stop sign has been there since last fall. According to ORC there must be five accidents within a 12-month period to initiate a stop sign. There were 7 accidents within 11 years. Mr. Jostpile feels there was misrepresentation to get the stop sign installed. The Engineer has been widening other intersections all over the county. A traffic study was done prior to the stop sign being installed, Jan 8, 2019, which showed about 500 cars on 17-S and about 600 cars on Old SR 12. Reflective signs and stop ahead signs were installed. Mr. Lenhart reviewed the reports and maps and the accident numbers have dropped. Most of the accidents are operator error. Mr. Mull's initial visit was most likely as a concerned citizen. Mr. Lenhart reviewed the rules of how these situations should be handled. According to ORC there are things that should be done and thins that can be done depending on the wording of the code. This decision was based on public safety and keeping people safe. This particular intersection was one of the worst in the county for accidents. Mr. Jostpile asked if ODOT was involved with this decision. The decision was not based on traffic. Mr. Jostpile asked why the signage was not increased on Road 17-S for the stop signs. Mr. Lenhart said they are trying to stop fatalities. The decision was made based on public safety to be proactive not reactive. The Commissioners made their decision based on the advice of the Engineer. Mr. Jostpile does not think the stop sign installation was done correctly. Mr. Jostpile would like the stop sign removed on Old SR 12. The Commissioners explained their decision was based on public safety not as an inconvenience to drivers. This intersection was a problem spot in the county for many years. Mr. Lenhart said they wanted to make a decision before a fatality happens. ODOT will be consulted on this matter also. This was the same scenario as Old 224 and Road 5, which has remedied by adding a four way stop.

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

The minutes from Thursday February 22, 2024 were reviewed and approved.

Mr. Lammers moved to adjourn for the day.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

Vote: Schlumbohm yes Schroeder yes Lammers yes

Mr. Lammers moved to approve the minutes as read from Tuesday, February 27, 2024.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

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