

**Minutes, Thursday August 25, 2022**

Mr. Schroeder moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

**WHEREAS**, On August 16, 2022 the bid opening for the lease of County Farm land consisting of approximately 172.5 acres more or less.

and

**WHEREAS**, The following bids were received:

Bidder.....Doug Kimmet, 163 Bismarck Dr, Ottawa, OH 45875

Bid deposit.....no check

Amount per acre ....\$ 326.00

Total contract for 3 years...\$

Bidder.....James Meyer, Rd. 7-L, Pandora, OH 45877

Bid deposit.....Cashier's check \$ 19,830.84

Amount per acre ....\$ 383.19

Total contract for 3 years...\$ \$198,300.84

Bidder..... Matthew Wagner, 22565 St. Rt. 235, Ada, Ohio 45810

Bid deposit..... Cashier's check for \$16,025.94

Amount per acre.....\$309.68

Total contract for 3 years....\$160,259.40

Bidder.....Keith Schulte 9926 St Rt 109, Ottawa, OH 45875

Bid deposit.....Personal check for \$ 3,967.50

Amount per acre....\$ 230.00

Total contract for 3 years....\$ 119,025.00

Bidder.....Blanchard Valley Farms Charles Maag, 4857 Rd J-3, Leipsic, OH 45856

Bid deposit.....Cashier's check \$ 13,637.16

Amount per acre ....\$ 263.52

Total contract for 3 years...\$ 136,371.60

now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, After a review of the bid, the Board of County Commissioners does hereby award the bid for the lease of the County Farm consisting of approximately 172.5 acres to James Meyer, 14683 Rd. 7-L, Pandora, Ohio 45877.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion

Vote: Mr. Lammers yes      Mr. Schlumbohm yes      Mr. Schroeder yes  
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Mr. Schroeder moved to approved the lease agreement with James Meyer for leasing the County Farm 172.5 acres for \$ 383.19 per acre for three years.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion

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

**WHEREAS**, Bids for the cash renting of 5.447 acres of deeded land located on the O-G Road, Ottawa, were opened and tabled on the 16th day of August, 2022.

now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, After a review of the bids, The Board of County Commissioners does hereby award the bid to Trevor Siefker, 12205 Rd. M-10, Ottawa, OH 45875, in the amount of \$178.00 per acre.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion

Vote: Mr. Lammers yes      Mr. Schlumbohm yes      Mr. Schroeder yes  
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Mr. Schlumbohm moved to approve the lease agreement with Trevor Siefker for the lease of 5.447 acres of farmland on O-G Road for \$ 178.00 per acre per year for three years.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion

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

**WHEREAS**, The Board of County Commissioners has received resolutions from Jennings Township to vacate alleys located in Rushmore, Ohio, Putnam County, Ohio.

and

**WHEREAS**, The Board of County Commissioners office must conduct a public hearing with proper notification. And

now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, The Board of County Commissioners does hereby set the date of September 27, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in the office of the Board of County Commissioners as the date for the public hearing on vacation of the following alleys:

Situated in the southeast quarter of Section 11, Town 2 south range 5 east Village of Rushmore, Putnam County, Ohio, Being part of a 12' alley in SH Sherrick's addition to Rushmore and recorded in plat book 2 page 256, and being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the northwest corner of Lot 32 witness a 5/8" iron pin found 0.6 ft. west; thence along the east line of Maple Street, N.01\*14'48"E., a distance of 12.00 feet to the southwest corner of outlot 2, witness a 3/4 " iron pipe found 0.6 ft. west.; thence leaving said east line and running along the south line of outlot 2, S.89\*20'00"E., A distance of 271.00 ft. to the southeast corner of outlot 2, witness a 3/4 iron pipe found 0.7 ft. west; thence along the north line of lots 32, 33, 34 and 35, N.89\*20'00"W., a distance of 271.00 ft. to the point of beginning; containing 0.075 acre, more or less, and being subject to all legal highways, right-of-way, easements, restriction, covenants, and /or conditions or record.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion

Vote: Mr. Lammers yes      Mr. Schlumbohm yes      Mr. Schroeder 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, 2022, 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...\$ 23,000.00

(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	\$24,000.00
(Advance for Ditch Maintenance Fund)		

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion

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

**WHEREAS**, August 16, 2022 was the date set for the opening of sealed bids for the cash rent of 9.480 acres of deeded land along Putnam Parkway in Ottawa.

and

**WHEREAS**, The following bids were received:

**Bidder**.....Keith Schulte, 9926 St Rt 109, Ottawa, OH 45875  
**Bid deposit**.....Personal check for \$151.68  
**Amount per acre**.....\$160.00

**Bidder**.....Ken Verhoff, 23622 Rd. O, Cloverdale, OH 45827  
**Bid deposit**.....Money Order for \$ 483.48  
**Amount per acre**.....\$ 170.00

**Bidder**.....Trevor Siefker, 12205 Rd M-10, Ottawa, OH 45875  
**Bid deposit**.....Cashier's check for \$ 563.11  
**Amount per acre**.....\$ 198.00

now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED, RESOLVED**, After a review of the bid, the Board of County Commissioners does hereby award the bid for the lease of land along Putnam Parkway consisting of approximately 9.48 acres to Trevor Siefker, 12205 Rd M-10, Ottawa, Ohio 45877.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion

Vote: Mr. Lammers yes      Mr. Schlumbohm yes      Mr. Schroeder yes  
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Mr. Schlumbohm moved to approve the lease agreement between Putnam County Commissioners and Trevor Siefker for the lease of 9.48 acres of farmland along Putnam Parkway for \$ 198.00 per acre for three years starting Dec 3, 2022 through Dec. 2, 2025.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion

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

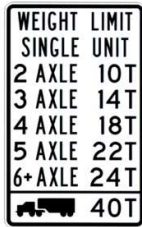
**WHEREAS**, County bridges are now required to be rated for Special Haul Vehicles (SHV); and

**WHEREAS**, Michael L. Lenhart, Putnam County Engineer, is seeking permission to post Special Haul Vehicles (SHV) load limits for the following bridges in Putnam County, Ohio:

<u>Bridge ID</u>	<u>SFN</u>	<u>Road</u>	<u>Load Limit Sign</u>
PUT-C011J-00044	6930158	CR 11-J SHV	
PUT-C000N-00062	6930417	CR N	SHV
PUT-T00L2-00414	6930549	TR L-2	SHV
PUT-T0020-00320	6930794	TR 20	SHV
PUT-C000S-00598	6930859	CR S	SHV
PUT-T022B-00924	6931200	TR 22-B SHV	
PUT-T0011-03832	6931588	TR 11	SHV
PUT-T0013-07093	6931723	TR 13	SHV
PUT-T000C-06337	6931952	TR C	SHV
PUT-C000M-08296	6932215	CR M	SHV
PUT-C000M-24365	6932479	CR M	EV
PUT-T000O-03072	6932525	TR O	EV
PUT-T0M10-00280	6932894	TR M-10	SHV
PUT-T010L-02735	6933289	TR 10-L EV	

Now therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, The Board of County Commissioners hereby authorizes and directs the County Engineer to post Special Haul Vehicles (SHV) load limits for the above listed bridges in Putnam County, Ohio using signs similar to the example below:



Special Haul Vehicle (SHV) Example



Emergency Vehicle (EV) Example

Mr. Lammers seconded the motion

Vote: Mr. Lammers yes      Mr. Schlumbohm yes      Mr. Schroeder 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, 2022.

For Sheriff/Jail

From...6 A 2D, Part Time Salaries ...to....6 A 2C, Full Time Non Union...\$ 3,000.00

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion

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

**WHEREAS**, Michael L. Lenhart, Putnam County Engineer, is seeking permission to remove the vehicle load limits for the following bridges in Putnam County, Ohio:

<u>Bridge ID</u>	<u>SFN</u>	<u>Road</u>	<u>Current Load Limit Sign</u>
PUT-C000B-05248	6930336	CR B	EV
PUT-C000N-07650	6930360	CR N	SHV
PUT-T0G14-00298	6930603	TR G-14EV	
PUT-T023T-02448	6930808	TR 23-T EV	
PUT-T000A-13177	6930999	TR A	EV
PUT-T0019-16659	6931073	TR 19	EV
PUT-T0C20-04860	6931294	TR C-20 EV	
PUT-C0008-03527	6931537	CR 8	EV
PUT-T008P-01001	6932118	TR 8-P	EV
PUT-T010L-00129	6932142	TR 10-L EV	
PUT-T0012-00671	6932185	TR 12	EV
PUT-T012O-00762	6932193	TR 12-OEV	
PUT-T0M10-04214	6932223	TR M-10	EV
PUT-C000O-11841	6932231	CR O	EV
PUT-T000O-08781	6932266	TR O	EV
PUT-C000P-14767	6932274	CR P	EV
PUT-T0019-00928	6932703	TR 19	EV
PUT-T014L-01067	6932851	TR 14-L EV	

Now therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, The Board of County Commissioners hereby authorizes and directs the County Engineer to remove the vehicle load limits for the above listed bridges in Putnam County, Ohio.

Mr. Lammers seconded the motion

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

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**Now and Then Purchase orders**

**County General.....Purchase order 44761**

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

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

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

Exceptions: Mr. Lammers      Mr. Schlumbohm      Mr. Schroeder

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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. Lammers      Mr. Schlumbohm      Mr. Schroeder

Exceptions: Mr. Lammers      Mr. Schlumbohm      Mr. Schroeder

Commissioners Schroeder, Schlumbohm and Lammers held a teleconference with Allen County Commissioners to discuss a resolution for collection of ditch maintenance on Joint County ditches: Ed Basinger Dt, Gary Clymer Dt. Collar Group Dt, Rushmore Dt., Rushmore Creel II Dt.

Tim Schnipke came in and asked about purchasing a partner saw to cut concrete to widen the door at the Recycling center. A battery powered saw was recommended. Tim is pricing the saws and batteries with Village Hardware. Tim also talked about the rental space at the Ag Complex and Ohio Logistics doesn't want the other renters to be able to walk through their area. Tim also said that Frank Erwin with Ohio & Indiana said that larger trim would be needed for the Health Dept Building and they want us to pay the difference. Tim doesn't want to have to pay since there are still spots where water sits and pools. Maybe we could split the bill rather than paying the full bill.

Suzy Wischmeyer met with Commissioners Schroeder, Schlumbohm and Lammers to give them an update on JFS. She has some personnel updates and high employee turnover.

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to go into executive session to discuss potential employee employment and compensation.



Mr. Lammers seconded the motion.

Vote Lammers yes Schlumbohm yes Schroeder yes

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to go back on record.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

Vote Lammers yes Schlumbohm yes Schroeder yes

No decisions were made. The Commissioners discussed the request to remove the door between Child Support and JFS department and they decided it would be ok to remove. As for the potential employee the resolution from 2013 will be the reference.

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

A public hearing was held with Commissioners Schroeder, Schlumbohm and Lammers and Julia Konieczny of Dinsmore via teleconference for the issuance of Bon Secours Mercy Health bonds.

The minutes from Tuesday August 23, 2022 were reviewed and discussed.

Tim Schnipke met with Commissioners Schroeder, Schlumbohm and Lammers to review quotes for new stair treads at the Annex. Tim had quotes from Matijevich's & Ottoville Hardware for the new treads. Maintenance will be doing the installation. The Ottoville quote is less for the materials. There is a waiting period for them to come in. Tim also ordered a heater from Allied Supply for the Ag Complex. The demolition of a portion of the old Phillips building was discussed.

Dog Warden Mike Schroth met with Commissioners Schroeder, Schlumbohm and Lammers to discuss the 2023 budget and dog tag prices. Mr. Schroth asked the Commissioners thoughts on the dog tag prices. If the revenue is covering the expenses, then leave it the same. We are about half way through the year. The carryover has been about \$20,000-\$25,000. Mr. Schroth would like to get a new truck next year and \$20,000 will not cover that. The current rate is \$16.00 per tag which is where it was for the past two years. Mr. Schroth mentioned increasing the adoption fee. All vaccines are free now since they are donated. The Commissioners want to keep the incentive to purchase a shelter animal rather than trying to find one privately. There is still a grant to pay for spay and neutering after adoption. Mr. Schroth has had calls from other counties to take their dogs. There is a surrender fee for taking out of county dogs. Increasing the adoption fee would not create that much revenue. No other county has ever lowered dog licenses. Putnam's Dog Warden has done an exceptional job of collecting license fees in the past few years. The option of buying a larger 3/4 ton truck rather than a half ton truck. Mr. Schroth said that is too high when loading an aggressive large dog. The Commissioners questioned purchasing a different SUV type vehicle. Mr. Schroth explained the hygiene issues with having a SUV versus pick up. The Commissioners have to decide today if they want to raise the tag prices for 2023. Approx 6,400 license are sold each year. Mr. Schroth said he did talk to other counties that do not enforce the purchase of tags. The Commissioners would like to increase the adoption fee. The trade in value of the current truck was discussed. Owning a dog is the owners' choice and paying for the license is part of their choice, similar to purchasing a house and paying real estate tax on it. Commissioner asked how much is spent with the

enforcement could we cut back on the enforcement. Mr. Schroth could drive the truck another year and look at it again next year. The availability on new vehicles is still short. The prices on everything are fluctuating. The adoption fee will be changed to \$70.00 and the fee for surrendering out of county dogs could be set at \$100.00, in county is \$60.00. Mr. Schroth has asked if his part time help could be increased in per their hour rate. The Commissioners are not in favor of a mid-year raise. He could have an increase at the beginning of the year. Mr. Schroth talked about the abuse he and his part time people received from the public while doing their jobs.

Mr. Lammers moved to adjourn for the day.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

Vote Lammers yes Schlumbohm yes Schroeder yes

Mr. Lammers moved to approve the minutes as read from Thursday August 25, 2022.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

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