

**Minutes, Thursday May 5, 2022**

Mr. Schroeder moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

**WHEREAS**, The Putnam County Commissioners deems it necessary to establish an appropriation line and a revenue line for Fund 106, Tax Equivalent Fund.

now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, The Board of County Commissioners does hereby request the Putnam County Auditor to add the following appropriation line:

106 WP ARG, ARG WPOTWOH001 LLC

and be it further

**RESOLVED**, The Board of County Commissioners does hereby request the Putnam County Auditor to establish the following revenue line:

106 WP ARG, ARG WPOTWOH001 LLC

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**, EDP Renewables submitted to this Board for review and approval the attached Compensation Agreement as a mechanism for making payments in lieu of taxes with respect to the Blue Harvest Solar Park LLC for the solar-powered electric generation facility to be located in Putnam County (“Project”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Board desires to encourage the development of alternative energy facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, after careful review and consideration, this Board has determined that the execution of the Compensation Agreement are appropriate, necessary, and in the best interest of Putnam County; therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, by this Board that:

**SECTION 1.** The Board approves the attached Compensation Agreement with Blue Harvest Solar Park LLC for the Project.

**SECTION 2.** The clerk of this Board is directed to send a copy of this resolution by certified mail to the Director of OAQDA and to \_\_\_\_\_ before May 11, 2022.

**SECTION 3.** The Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board and any of its committees concerning and related to the adoption of this resolution were taken, and that all deliberations of this Board and any of its committee that resulted in those formal actions were held in meetings open to the public in compliance with Ohio law.

**SECTION 4.** This resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its adoption.

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:

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.

Fund 103, Community Corrections

From..103 SA22, Salaries & Fringes....to.....103 AO, Advance Out.....\$ 700.00

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

| <u>FROM</u>         | <u>TO</u>         | <u>AMOUNT</u> |
|---------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| 103 AO, Advance Out | A 25A, Advance In | \$700.00      |

(Repay Co. General for Advance to Fund 103, Community Corrections)

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:

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, 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 015, Soil Conservation

L 12, Workers Compensation.....\$ 54.19

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:

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...4 B 11FLW, Utilities...to...4 B 11BD, Out of County Inmate Boarding...\$ 1,000.00

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**, The Board of County Commissioners received the resignation of Jeff Eckel as a member of the Putnam County Airport Board.

and

**WHEREAS**, The Putnam County Airport Board has recommended to reappointed the remaining current members and renew their terms.

now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, The following is a list of current members of the Putnam County Airport Authority Board :

TERM EXPIRES.....from..... 4-2- 2020.....to...4-1-2024

Alan Grogg, 6920 St. Rt. 109, Leipsic, Ohio 45856 (second term)

TERM EXPIRES.....from..... 4-2-2021.....to....4-1-2025

Greg Unverferth, 17644 Road P, Ft. Jennings, Ohio 45844 (fourth term)

TERM EXPIRES .....from.....4-2-2022.....to....4-1-2026

Jim Vorst, Kalida, Ohio 45875

TERM EXPIRES .....from.....4-2-2019.....to.....4-1-2023

Kenneth Decker, , 3618 Rd. L, Ottawa, Ohio 45875

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:

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of County Commissioners of Putnam, Ohio

that to provide for the unanticipated expenditures of said County during fiscal year ending December 31, 2022, the following sums be and the same are hereby transferred, set aside and appropriated for the purpose for which expenditures are to be made during the fiscal year as follows:

From...Fund 076, Sewer District #1 (P 16, Transfer Out)...to....Fund 160, OWDA Loan(160 TI, Transfer In).....\$15,522.12

Mr. Schroeder 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 44324  
**Ditch Maintenance**.....Purchase order 44322  
**County General**.....Purchase order 44323

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 none Mr. Schlumbohm none Mr. Schroeder none  
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**Purchase orders and travel requests**

**County General**.....Purchase order to State of Ohio UST Fund for inspection of 2 underground tanks at Airport for \$ 1,100.00.

**WIA**.....Purchase order to Northwest State Community College for tuition for \$ 10,000.00.

**County General**.....Purchase order to Knippen Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep Inc. for 2018 Chrysler 300 sedan for \$ 14,370.00.

**Treasurer**.....Travel request for Tracy Warnecke to attend the Treasurers Spring Conference on May 24-26, 2022 in Canton, OH with expenses for lodging, meals, registration and parking totaling \$ 552.00.

**HOME Funds**.....Purchase order to Hillard Craft for change order for Middleton for \$ 9820.00.

**E-911**.....Travel request for Brad Brubaker to attend the Spring Seminar in Columbus, Oh May 17-19, 2022 with a purchase order for lodging and meals for \$ 370.00 and purchase order for registration for \$ 300.00.

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

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Lammers yes Mr. Schlumbohm yes Mr. Schroeder yes  
Exceptions: Mr. Lammers po 44325 Mr. Schlumbohm po44325 Mr. Schroeder po 44325

Tim Schnipke stopped into give updates on the courthouse air units the chiller will be drained next week so no a/c will be available. Tim also said they no longer use Facility Dude for work orders he said we could discontinue using it and use the maintenance email then the funds can be used to pay a stipend for personnel cell phones. The Commissioners will think about a phone stipend. Mowing will be done today and the electrical panel for Recycling is getting moved the door is not is yet.

Chris Hughes, from ODOT, Mike Lenhart, Engineer and Shane Coleman Lima Regional Planning met with Commissioners Schroeder Schlumbohm and Lammers via teleconference to discuss Regional Planning Transportation Organization. Putnam, Van Wert Mercer Auglaize Hardin Hancock and hoping to add Wyandot county were the counties approached for the regional transportation. They are were looking at the area since there was not a transportation district here. No county has the resources to head up the regional transportation. There was planning funding but no capital funding. There is now capital funding available, which can be used with match funding. This would be purely transportation. Lima Regional Planning would be willing to be the head on organizing a program in this area. The money would not be shared with Allen County. The Lima Regional Planning would take care of everything. Is there a board? There would be a board based on the counties that agree to participate. A long-range plan would be created for the region. Transit is part of the organization. The county group can be made up however the county wants. How to get rural county people the transportation they need? There are multiple transportation services available but they do not necessarily work together. This board would be established by resolution. The Putnam County Committee could be formed within the County from the villages and townships. LPR would be the liaison with the state. There is value in all entities working together. The long-range plan would be included with the services provided. LPR would be cheaper than hiring a consultant. The county can pay any way they want, the Engineer could cover. Hancock County is in for sure, Mercer, Auglaize, Hardin are leaning positively. They may be approaching the Engineers first, since they handle the transportation for the County. The services would be worth the money. Every county would benefit, the local board would determine what projects are funded. A scoring system would be developed for the projects. Could the TID work with this also? Yes. Transportation funding is moving toward grants. It will be competitive funding. Counties without an RTPO will be left behind. For RTPO capital funding it doesn't have to be a highway. It can look at safety, crash studies etc. Specific areas can be addressed. LPR think they can help people to do it better and can help to grow the area. There are opportunities for the region, and they do not want to see northwest Ohio left behind. There could be additional funding available for the Villages maintaining State Route running through the villages. The State requires curb and storm drainage for the state routes and the villages do not always have funding available to maintain them once they are installed by ODOT. Getting projects on the long-range plan can help to leverage funding for them in the future and help to reduce the local funding needed. Multi funding sources for the projects is recommended to reduce the need for local funding. A base allocation will be used to determine the local match amounts per county. Until the commitments are received the actual amounts are not known. The curbing and storm drains maintenance and repairs on state routes would be allowable projects, and major collector roads. Portions of Rd 5, Old ST 12, Rd 26, Rd 21, Rd Z, are some major collector roads within Putnam County. The bridge funding was also discussed. There will be local projects that will get substantial finding. The Engineer is willing to take on the position for the committee. This is created by resolution and can be dissolved by resolution also. Why is this work not already being done and is it based on traffic volume, would we still be left behind with having lower traffic levels than Columbus and other metropolitan areas? If a county does not get a project within 5 years they can go to the local committee and say its their turn to get a project. Not as much funding as in a TID. This RTPO is just for rural counties. The MPO (Metro Planning Organization) has their own pool of funding. The land size and population is used for the planning dollars not for the RTPO. If the LPR is doing other projects for other counties could they run out of funds to do services for Putnam. LPR would not think so, but it could happen, they have never run out of funding

previously. What would Putnam County's long-term plan look like? Could be projections. Who comes up with the plan? The Engineer would contribute it would be a collaborative effort, they want participation. Schools would need sidewalks. Long range plan would be all fundable projects. Local roads are not eligible. The definition of major collector roads was asked, the actual definition was not known but it would be a heavier traveled road within the county that is not a state route. A sample resolution will be submitted for the Putnam County to join the RTPO.

The Commissioners asked Mike Lenhart his opinion on joining, he said it could open more funding opportunities for the county for road improvements. It may not help the townships that much, more so for the villages. There would be local control on the committee.

Steve Coburn-Griffis stopped in to let the Commissioners know that Joe Gilroy would not be reporting at the Courthouse.

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

The minutes from Tuesday May 3, 2022 were reviewed and approved.

The Commissioners discussed the request for the cell phone stipend from the Maintenance dept. Since the current county plan does not provide adequate service. They discussed proper amounts that could be given to the employees. The Commissioners will review to see what other offices offer to the employees for personal cell phone use.

Carol Bunn stopped in she is interested in helping out with the custodial duties part time until a new full-time person is hired.

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to adjourn for the day.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

Vote Lammers yes Schlumbohm yes Schroeder yes

Mr. Schroeder moved to approve the minutes as read from Thursday May 5, 2022.

Mr. Lammers seconded the motion.

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