

Minutes Tuesday November 19, 2024

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 148, Mfg. Housing Tax/2nd Half

148AO, Advance Out.....\$ 19,141.76

(Advance back to County General)

BE IT RESOLVED, That per the request of The Board of County Commissioners for the purpose of the Mfg. Housing Tax/2nd Half Fund the following advance of funds is authorized by the Board of County Commissioners:

<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
148AO, Advance Out	A 25A, Advance In	\$ 19,141.76
(Repay County General for advance made to Fund 148, Mfg. Housing Tax/2 nd Half Fund in Aug '24 and to correct duplicate on 10-22-24)		

Mr. Lammers seconded the motion.

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

Comm. Jrl. 120, Page 388

Mr. Lammers moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, The Blanchard River Watershed Partnership has worked with Putnam County to maintain and care for the Blanchard River and other waterways in Putnam County.

and

WHEREAS, The Blanchard River Watershed Partnership will continue to work toward seeking grant funding to aid in the maintenance and prevention of contamination of the rivers and waterways of Putnam County.

and

WHEREAS, The Blanchard River Watershed Partnership is seeking continued financial support from the Putnam County Commissioners to continue their work at a rate of \$2,000.00 per year for three years.

now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The Board of County Commissioners does hereby agree to continue to give monetary assistance of \$2,000.00 a year for three (3) years, namely 2024, 2025 and 2026 for the support and wages paid from Blanchard River Watershed Partnership.

and be it further

RESOLVED, The Board of County Commissioners will review the monetary assistance project following the conclusion of the three years.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

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

Comm. Jrl. 120, Page 389

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 018, General Ditch

Q, 27, Contracts-Services.....\$ 7,000.00

Mr. Lammers seconded the motion.

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

Comm. Jrl. 120, Page 390

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Fund 001, County General

Grants Admin

1 A 12, Grants Administration.....\$ 85.00

1 A 12F, Fringes.....\$ 1.41

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

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

Comm. Jrl. 120, Page 391

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 Airport.....

From.....5 A 3, Supplies.....to 5 A 5, Contract Repairs.....\$ 70.00

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

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

Comm. Jrl. 120, Page 392

Mr. Schroeder moved to approve the purchase agreement for 1.25 acres located on Putnam Parkway with the Putnam County CIC for \$ 31,000.00 per acre.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

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

Comm. Jrl. 120, Page 393-393F

Mr. Schlumbohm moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

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For ADAMHS

AA-9, OPERS.....\$ 4,000.00

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

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

Comm. Jrl. 120, Page 394

Mr. Lammers moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

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Fund 151, PSI Grant

151 SA-22, Salaries& Fringes.....\$ 10,550.00

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

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

Comm. Jrl. 120, Page 395

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Fund 079, Legal Research

79 MI, Miscellaneous.....\$ 915.00

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

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

Comm. Jrl. 120, Page 396

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, 2024.

For Veterans Service Commission

From.....9 D 6, Memorial Day Exp.....to...9 D 8A, OPERS.....\$ 1,312.47

From9 C 8, Travel Exp.....to...9 D 2, VSO Salary.....\$ 5,000.00

From9 C 1, VSC Salary.....to....9 D 2, VSO Salary.....\$ 4,000.00

From....9 D 3, Burials/Markers.....to....9 D 2, VSO Salary.....\$ 2,000.00

From....9 C 9D, Other Expenses.....to....9 D 8B, Insurance..... \$3,000.00

From....9 D 4, Outreach.....to....9 D 8B, Insurance.....\$ 3,000.00

From....9 D 8E, Transportation.....to....9 D 8B, Insurance.....\$ 1,500.00

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

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

Comm. Jrl. 120, Page 397

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, 2024.

For Office of Public Safety

From...120 VRP, Vehicle Replacement...to....120 BIL, Billing Exp.....\$8,000.00

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

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

Comm. Jrl. 120, Page 398

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Fund 016, Ditch Maintenance

R 5, Ditch Maintenance Projects.....\$ 5,000.00

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

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

Comm. Jrl. 120, Page 399

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to approve signing the consulting services agreement between Putnam County and Local Government Services LLC for legal consulting from Nov 8, 2024 through Oct 31, 2025 for \$ 5,300.00 paid by the Auditor's office.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

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

Comm. Jrl. 120, Page 400-401

Mr. Schroeder moved to approve signing the lease for warehouse space between Findlay Tall Timbers Distribution Center LLC and Putnam county Board of Commissioners from January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025 for \$.17 per square foot per month.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

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

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Then/Now Purchase orders

County Airport.....purchase order 48120

County General.....purchase order 48121

Ditch Maintenance.....purchase orders 48123, 48124

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

County General.....Purchase order to Blanchard River Watershed Partnership for annual contribution for \$ 2,000.00. Purchase order to Amazon for 4 new sweepers for \$ 525.80.

Capital Improvement,.....Purchase order to Vetter Lumber for siding and material for Ag Complex for \$ 17,525.74.

Office of Public Safety.....Purchase order to Great Lakes billing for contract billing for \$ 8,000.00

Recorder.....Travel request for Sherri Britsch to attend New Recorder training in Dublin, OH on Dec 9-10, 2024 with expenses for mileage and misc totaling \$ 112.12.

Mr. Schroeder moved to amend the minutes from October 24, 2024.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

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

Commissioners Schroeder, Schlumbohm and Lammers held discussions on the Hermiller Dt #996 project. Gary Lammers, Tim Wehri, Brad Brubaker and landowners joined the meeting also along with Ryan Moran and Jeremy Gerding. The ditch project has been delayed and the contractor has not started the project yet. The original completion date is December 1, 2024. The Commissioners, Prosecutor and Engineer held a conference call with the contractor Joe & Joe Excavating and bonding agent last Thursday Nov 14 and discussed a decision to extend the contract to March 31, 2025 and amending the \$100 per day charge to \$500 per day if not completed by April 1, 2025. The Commissioners expressed their concern about the project not commencing on time. The bonding agent and contractor proposed extending the completion date, with the extension a mediation of the daily penalty would be needed. The bonding company is preparing an addendum to the contract for the extension. The property owners are being asked if they agree to an extension. Could an alternative contractor be put in place if the original contractor cannot perform the job at all? If it would come to that something would be looked at. The bonding company will be sending an addendum. And the contractor will be looking for subcontractors to assist in completing the project also. Trying to get a new contractor now there would still be a waiting period. The original contractor could be starting in about 2-3 weeks. The contractor is currently working in Mercer County and the progress on that project is being monitored. The last update there were grade control issues and mechanical issues. The contractor also had some personal issues that added to the delay. The work quality from this contractor may be in question also. This will be the only shot to work on this ditch in 100 years. Mr. Chad Moening expresses his opinion of halting this contract and getting a new contractor on the project. Should the county give until March to complete the project or should they pull the bond and get a new contractor on the project? The question was posed around the room. Ryan said he will have to monitor the project and confirm the grade control will be done correctly through GPS. Does Joe & Joe have experience with putting in tile in the winter? They do not have that experience. The quality or work on this would be more important than the quantity. Chad Moening explained that good fill will be needed to backfill the tile. The majority were in favor of pulling the contractor off the job. The performance, attendance and quality of work of the awarded contractor were all issues with the landowners. The Prosecutor will contact the bonding company to terminate the contract. Will the landowners go after the county for damages if the project is not completed timely? All costs will go to the bonding company due to

the delays and damages. If the contractor does not perform within reasonable time the contract can be terminated. Some photos of the current drainage conditions were viewed. The township completed their portion of the project and since the project did not commence yet there are new emergent issues forming to block drainage. If there is a large rain there are chances of flooding of houses. There is corn fodder washing in the pipes and blocking the flow and the holes are caving in. Something needs to be done soon or the houses along Road M will have flooding issues due to the blockages. It currently takes days for the water to drain. Surface drainage would help temporarily. ODOT put in the new pipe under 224 but it has not been connected to anything. The landowners are majority in favor to pull the bond on the contractor. If the contractor would have showed up on time this would have worked well to get things completed. There will still be a delay getting a new contractor lined up for the project. How much work is needed to get this band-aided until that is done? Since we are in winter months, the weather is unsure for getting work completed. Ryan can work with county employees to get some of the emergent issues resolved just for winter until the job can be resumed once a new contractor is hired. The bonding company will be contacted to proceed with getting a new contractor. Backfill is a big deal and a concern the conditions have to be adequate for the back fill to be done correctly. The ground is still moderately dry, it is just wet on top. The bonding company did propose an option to pull the bond during the Thursday discussion. This is unfortunate circumstances but something needs to be done as soon as possible or more critical issues could arise. If gravel will be used for backfill how will it be transported? Compaction of the fields is a concern. The Commissioners will contact the bonding company and get an update back to the landowners.

Commissioners Schroeder, Schlumbohm and Lammers called the bonding company Arnold Insurance. The agent was not available so they left message for them get back to them.

The business agenda was held with Commissioners Schroeder, Schlumbohm and Lammers and Cindy Landwehr, Clerk. Tim Wehri and Brad Brubaker joined the agenda also.

The minutes from Tuesday November 12, 2024 were reviewed and approved.

The Arnold Insurance company returned a call to the Commissioners and they informed the bonding company that they will be pulling the bond on the contractor. The termination will be based on convenience. The bonding company advised them to hire Joe & Joe to do the job. This would aid in lowering legal issues. The next lowest bidder will be contacted for their availability to complete the job. They will touch base again next week.

Commissioners called Ryan Moran to have him contact the next bidder for the Hermiller Dt. There is no difference available to pay due to the bids coming in lower than the estimate.

John Schlumbohm and Alaina Siefker went to the land fill with Bowser Morner for the annual NPDES permit inspection.

Judy Solomon stopped into ask Commissioners Schroeder and Lammers about any updates for a new JFS Director. She had someone who would be interested in helping to mentor a new Director. The Commissioners did not have any updates for her. Judy is the only fiscal person for JFS at this time.

Mr. Lammers moved to adjourn for the day.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

Vote Schlumbohm yes Schroeder yes Lammers yes

Mr. Lammers moved to approve the minutes as read from Tuesday, November 19, 2024.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

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