

**Minutes, Thursday November 21, 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 076, Sewer Dist #1

P 13, PERS SD #1..... \$ 37.60

Mr. Schroeder 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 001, County General

4 A 2, Compensation of Janitors.....\$ 4,517.49

4 A 2P, Employer Share PERS.....\$ 1,131.36

4 B 19B, Employer Share PERS.....\$ 227.97

(Maintenance payroll)

Mr. Lammers 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:

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:

Fund 001 Clerk of Courts/Muni Court

From...2 M 9D1, Travel expenses.....to...2 M 9D, Other Expenses.....\$ 1,125.00

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

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

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### **Then/Now Purchase orders**

**ADAMHS Bd.....**purchase order 48019

**Clerk of Courts.....**purchase order 48174

Mr. Schlumbohm 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**

**Children Services.....**Purchase order to Emily Scarbrough for Adoption Assistance for \$ 194.70. Purchase order to Amanda Bowers for adoption assistance for \$ 117.22 Purchase order to Amanda Bowers for adoption assistance for \$ 50.83. Purchase order to Amber Grant for adoption assistance for \$ 126.02. Purchase order to Scott McWilliams for adoption assistance for \$ 222.49.

**Job & Family.....**Blanket purchase order for misc agency purchases for \$ 10,000.00, blanket purchase order for misc agency supplies for \$ 4,000.00.

**EMA.....**Travel request for Kyle Hashbarger to attend the G-2300 intermediate EOC functions in Allen County on Dec 9-11, 2024 with purchase order for \$42.00 for meals.

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

Gary Lammers stopped in to talk with Commissioners Schroeder and Schlumbohm regarding their conversation with the surety company for the contractor on the Hermiller Ditch. Tim Wehri and Brad Brubaker joined the meeting also. Gary recommended meeting with the landowners

again to review the circumstances with the surety company. The issues along Road M may constitute an emergent situation to complete the project to prevent or relieve flooding of those properties. Commissioner Lammers joined the meeting. A contractor could come in and connect the township portion of this project to the ditch to alleviate the flooding issue. The pictures were viewed again of the corn fodder blocking the drains. The tile that are there will either have to be sent back to Haviland or sold to the next Contractor. Mike Lenhart and Ryan Moran joined the meeting. The next lowest bidder, Liebrecht Farm Drainage has been contacted and is interested in the project, but they do not want to use the tile that is there. The termination of this agreement must be followed properly. If we go after the bond the surety will hire Joe & Joe Contracting. Does the bond agent really have the authority to pick another excavator? The price difference of the project must be brought before the landowners. There has been some reasoning over the difference in price. The specs of the contract were reviewed regarding the tile. The payment for the tile has not been confirmed. It will be reviewed to see if the next bidder would be eligible and not have to rebid the project. The bonding agent was called to join the meeting, he was not available at that time. The landowners want the project done properly and correctly not in a hurry due to the time frame and weather conditions. The Engineer will contact Liebrecht Farm Drainage to see their availability. It will be confirmed that Joe & Joe Contracting are informed of the circumstances. The proper notices will be given and the landowners must be informed of the process. The bonding agent will be consulted for the notices. A resolution will be prepared to have the Commissioners formally vote on this decision. The tile company has been contacted to cease delivery of materials. If the conditions are emergent then the project can be awarded to one of the next bidders. The landowners will be notified for another meeting. The county will not be purchasing the tile. The bonding agent returned the call. The bonding agent would like to keep the attorneys out of it. There have been issues with the awarded contractor both personal and business. The surety company would hire the original bidder to avoid the legal battle. If that contract would walk away then another contractor can be hired. He is still recommending the termination for convenience. Has Joe & Joe been contacted, yes they have. Joe & Joe is willing to move on and pass on the job. Joe & Joe will have to take care of the tile that has been delivered.

Tim Schnipke stopped to ask about the items in the Job & Family storage unit, should he inventory those items. The Commissioners will contact Suzy.

Mike Boaz met with Commissioners Schroeder, Schlumbohm and Lammers to present applications for the upcoming Board of D/D openings. Tim Wehri and Brad Brubaker joined the meeting. Mr. Boaz said there is a board opening coming up and he has a list of applicants. Commissioners had a resume for one applicant. The recommendation from the Board of D/D was also included. The new state recommendation of having someone who is served must be on the board after July 1, 2025. The Commissioners must review the applicants and make a decision for the next agenda. Commissioner Lammers informed Mr. Boaz that the county will also be lowering the collection of the real estate tax just like Board of D/D did on their levies. He wanted to thank Mr. Boaz. Board of D/D will be collecting next year on the levies. The target carryover for Board of D/D would be under \$7million. The Commissioners wanted to say that they are following suit and giving money back to the taxpayers. Mr. Boaz wished the outgoing Commissioners good luck.

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

The minutes from Tuesday November 19, 2024 were reviewed and approved.

Commissioner Lammers left for the day.

Commissioners Schroeder and Schlumbohm attended the GIS Board meeting along with Tim Wehri and Brad Brubaker.

Joe Hohlbein and Alaina Siefker met with Commissioners Schroeder and Schlumbohm and new Commissioners Tim Wehri and Brad Brubaker to discuss recycling. Joe asked about the Commissioners' thoughts on hiring another person. There is a new applicant that has a CDL. Could an interview be scheduled? The pick-ups at the schools may be started back up in the next year. Joe does not think another person would be needed at this time. Adam Schimmoeller driving for leachate was discussed. A new skid loader was discussed. A John Deere is entered over the bucket where a JCB is entered from the side. The schools have reached out to restart the recycling programs and Soil and Water has mentioned a grant to help get this started back up. The tires on the skid steer were changed to the original tires. New tires are needed and they are \$3500. Joe said the Peterbuilt truck will need some service, it needs a new rear bumper and transmission and clutch work. Pumping leachate was discussed and whether the pumping will need to be continued. There have been talks with the EPA and a study will be needed. The grant writer has been given the information for the recycling grant for how many containers will be needed. The feedback on the recycling has been good. The commodity prices have held steady. Some plastic has gone to Evergreen in Clyde, Ohio but a check has not been received yet. Joe thinks starting the schools back up we would lose money. The materials would not be sorted correctly and would have to be manually sorted along with the expense of transporting.

Mr. Schroeder moved to adjourn for the day.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

Vote Schlumbohm yes Schroeder yes Lammers absent

Mr. Schroeder moved to approve the minutes as read from Thursday, November 21, 2024.

Mr. Lammers seconded the motion.

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