

**Minutes Tuesday, March 4, 2025**

## **Proclamation for Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month**

**March 1, 2025 – March 31, 2025**

Mr..Schlumbohm moved to approve the following proclamation,

**WHEREAS** Ohio's county boards of developmental disabilities were established by the Ohio General Assembly on October 25, 1967; and

**WHEREAS** the mission and purpose of Ohio's county boards of DD remain as strong as ever, with county boards continuing to provide vital supports and resources to Ohioans with developmental disabilities and their families; and

**WHEREAS** all the individuals with developmental disabilities served by the Putnam County Board of Developmental Disabilities, their families, friends, neighbors, and co-workers encourage everyone to focus on the abilities of all people; and

**WHEREAS** the most effective way to increase this awareness is through everyone's active participation in community activities and the openness to learn and acknowledge each individual's contribution; and

**WHEREAS** policies must be developed, attitudes shaped, and opportunities offered that allow people with developmental disabilities to live as independently and productively as possible in our community; and

**WHEREAS** in recognition of this important goal, Putnam County has chosen "**There's so much more to me than my disability**" as our theme for 2025 Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month; and

**WHEREAS** we encourage all citizens to support "**There's so much more to me than my disability**" because each person is unique. "**There's so much more to me than my disability**" to celebrate each person having a job, friends, and family inclusion. "**There's so much more to me than my disability**" in a world where everyone has talents, are members of organizations, and volunteer in their communities; and

**Now, therefore, we,** the Putnam County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim March 2025 as

### **DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AWARENESS MONTH**

and offer full support to individuals that "**There's so much more to me than my disability**" and to celebrating each person having a job, friends, and family inclusion. "**There's so much more to me than my disability**"; building a community that's committed to creating a world where everyone has talents, are members of organizations, and volunteer in their communities; and

**Furthermore,** we urge all citizens to join in this celebration of people with special needs who do many of the same things people without special needs can do, and by celebrating these strong and resilient individuals; and

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** we have hereunto set our hand and caused our seal this 4th day of March, two thousand twenty-five.

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Wehri yes Mr. Brubaker yes Mr. Schlumbohm yes

Mr. Schlumbohm moved the adoption of the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, The County Engineers Association of Ohio (CEAO) is accepting applications for Fiscal Year 2030 funding of the LBR Program for county bridge projects;

**WHEREAS**, Michael L. Lenhart, Putnam County Engineer, is requesting the Board of County Commissioners for approval to apply for funding under this program;

Now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, The Board of Commissioners, Putnam County, Ohio does hereby authorize Michael L. Lenhart, Putnam County Engineer, to prepare and submit application for financial assistance and enter into a Local Public Agency (LPA) agreement for financial assistance from the CEAO, LBR Program, Fiscal Year 2030, and to execute contracts as required for the project.

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Wehri yes Mr. Brubaker yes Mr. Schlumbohm yes

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Mr. Wehri moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, Putnam County requested Statement of Qualifications and Proposals (RFQP) from qualified consultants to perform the necessary function related to its PY2025 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Allocation Program; and

WHEREAS, the Board received and reviewed two responses to its RFQP from Great Lakes Community Action Partnership and Kleinfelder Design Group.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of County Commissioners of Putnam, Ohio, hereby selects and qualifies Great Lakes Community Action Partnership (GLCAP) to conduct its CDBG PY2025 administration services including but not limited to application and environmental preparation and technical assistance.

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the forgoing resolution was adopted and all actions and deliberations of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Putnam, Ohio, relating thereto were conducted in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all applicable legal requirements, including section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Wehri yes Mr. Brubaker yes Mr. Schlumbohm yes

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Mr. Wehri moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

**WHEREAS**, Putnam County is applying for a fiscal year 2025 Community Development Block Grant; and

**WHEREAS**, Putnam County desires to enter into an agreement with Great Lakes Community Action Partnership for the administration of the grant:

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, By the Board of County Commissioners of Putnam, Ohio, hereby approves the agreement with Great Lakes Community Action Partnership for the administration of the fiscal year 2025 Community Development Block Grant, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

Wherefore, this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after earliest period allowed by law.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Wehri yes Mr. Brubaker yes Mr. Schlumbohm yes

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Mr. Schlumbohm moved to approve signing the correction request for the WWIG Grant #DEV 2023-205054 to transfer funds of \$ 1,000.00 from the sewer facility cost category to the grant administrative cost category.

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Wehri yes Mr. Brubaker yes Mr. Schlumbohm 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, 2025, 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

100 UPG, Upgrade System.....\$110,000.00

Fund 115, Wireless 911

115 UPG, Upgrade Systems.....\$ 110,000.00

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Wehri yes Mr. Brubaker yes Mr. Schlumbohm yes

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Mr. Schlumbohm moved to approve signing the security agreement between the Putnam County Sheriff and Northwest Ohio Grain for security on March 19-22, 2025.

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Wehri yes Mr. Brubaker yes Mr. Schlumbohm yes

Mr. Schlumbohm moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, The Board has received requests from the various departments of Job and Family Services for approval of travel expenses for the month of February 2025.

Anna Swanger	March 5	GOWBI Board meeting-Delaware, OH
Brooke Schnipke	March 5	GOWBI Board meeting-Delaware, OH
Judy Solomon	March 12	NW Directors Assoc. Fiscal Gp-Bowling Green
Beth Coleson	March 20	OSCPA Supervisor Series-Delaware, OH

now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUTNAM COUNTY, OHIO, hereby approve payment of the expenses per the attached list in accordance with Section 325.20 of the Ohio Revised Code and authorizes the Auditor to issue warrants per attached list upon receipt of invoices and be if further

RESOLVED, That the Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to issue any advanced warrants as necessary.

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Wehri yes Mr. Brubaker yes Mr. Schlumbohm yes

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Mr. Wehri 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, 2025, 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

14 D 1, Various settlements.....\$8,109.08

Fund 068, Mental Health

AA 11, Other expense.....\$9,947.70

Fund 100, E-911 System

100 MS, Miscellaneous.....\$17,599.87

Fund 022, Brookhill Center School

8 E 7, Miscellaneous expenses..... \$34,276.70

Fund 063, Health

E 12, Other expense.....\$6,039.91

Fund 120, PCEMS

120 OTH, Other expense.....\$6,801.00

First Half Tax Settlement

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Wehri yes Mr. Brubaker yes Mr. Schlumbohm 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, 2025, 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.... \$200.00

(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	\$200.00
(Advance for Ditch Maintenance Fund)		

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Wehri yes Mr. Brubaker yes Mr. Schlumbohm yes

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

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

Mr. seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Wehri Mr. Brubaker Mr. Schlumbohm

Exceptions: Mr. Wehri Mr. Brubaker Mr. Schlumbohm

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### **Purchase Orders and Travel Requests**

**Office of Public Safety**.....Purchase order to Upper Scioto Valley Ambulance District for 2011 Ford E450 Chassis for \$ 25,000.00. Travel request for Crimson Chaney to attend the ICS 300 in Perrysburg, OH on March 4-6, 2025 with purchase order for meals totaling \$ 135.00.

**Job & Family Services**.....Travel request for John Folk to attend the executive membership meeting in Columbus, OH on March 6-7, 2025 with expenses for lodging, and meals totaling \$ 173.00. Travel request for John Folk to attend the ODJFSDA meeting in Columbus, OH on March 13-14, 2025 with expenses for lodging and meals totaling \$ 158.00. Travel request for John Folk to attend the New Director Fiscal Orientation in Columbus, OH on March 24-25, 2025 with expenses for meals totaling \$ 20.00. Travel request for Anan Swanger to attend the ODJFSA Spring 2025 new director fiscal orientation in Columbus, OH on March 24-25, 2025 with expenses for lodging, meals and other totaling \$ 872.00. Travel request for Beth Coleson to attend the OJFSDA Spring 2025 new director fiscal Orientation in Columbus, OH on March 24-25, 2025 with expenses for lodging, meals and other totaling \$ 872.00.

**Commissioners**.....Travel request for Commissioners Brubaker, Schlumbohm and Wehri to attend the Northwest Ohio Commissioners & Engineers Assoc. meeting in Ada, OH on March 26, 2025 with purchase order for registration totaling \$ 90.00.

**Dog & Kennel.....**Travel request for Mike Schroth to attend the NW Ohio Dog Warden meeting in Defiance County on March 12, 2025 no expenses listed.

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

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Wehri yes Mr. Brubaker yes Mr. Schlumbohm yes

Exceptions: Mr. Wehri none Mr. Brubaker none Mr. Schlumbohm none

Mr. Brubaker opened the meeting with leading the Pledge of Allegiance with Commissioners Wehri and Schlumbohm, Kurt Sahloff and Cindy Landwehr.

Kurt Sahloff met with Commissioners Wehri, Schlumbohm and Brubaker to go over BOE updates. Kurt tries to keep the Commissioners up to date with what is going on at the Board of Elections. There will be an election in May. The Village of Ottawa has an issue along with a couple statewide issues. The BOE staff is concerned about getting moved to a different building. Things are still being discussed and thought out about moving offices around for more room. The amount of people who voted at the polls versus coming to the office was discussed. A big cost of an election is the equipment and service agreements, reducing the amount of equipment by reducing the number of polling locations will help reduce those costs. Kurt proposed combining all of the Ottawa locations into one location possibly at the new Event Center at the fairgrounds. The whole state does not use the same equipment. Putnam County does use paper ballots. Kurt explained the office set up had been with a Director and Deputy Director. The director and deputy director are opposite parties. The Deputy director retired after the last election and since that happen a board member Kathy Miller who is a Democrat was hired as an administrator the same as the director who is also a Democrat. There will be extra part time staff for the election who will be Republican to cover the need for both parties to be represented at an election. Was Kathy's position posted? Yes, it was posted on several sites. The official BOE reorganization is tomorrow afternoon. The social security fairness act was mentioned, for those employees who had many years under social security before PERS. The office moving and the possibilities of expanding the Glandorf building is also being thought about, again nothing is for sure yet as far as moving offices. If BOE is ever thought of being moved to a different location ADA compliance must be considered. Kurt may look at the Health Department building for its layout also.

Commissioners Wehri, Schlumbohm and Brubaker attended the Elected Officials meeting hosted by Kim Redman.

Mike Boaz, Patricia Lammers, Jim Burkhart, April Beining, Tiffaney Korte, Ellisyn Korte, Boston Korte, Carrie Polhamus and Leah Pothast of Citizens First and Early Intervention met with Commissioners Wehri, Schlumbohm and Brubaker for a presentation of a proclamation for Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month.

Mike will be back in April to update the Commissioners.

The business agenda was held with Commissioners Wehri, Schlumbohm and Brubaker and Cindy Landwehr, Clerk.

The minutes from Friday February 28, 2025 were reviewed and approved.

Tim Schnipke met with Commissioners Wehri, Schlumbohm and Brubaker to discuss going to Village Hardware's annual sale to upgrade his tools. All the maintenance tools are Milwaukee which is what Village Hardware sells. In the past Tim has gotten a budget to spend on new tools. He would also be upgrading batteries for the current tools. He is asking for a budget of \$2,300-\$2,500 to spend. He wants to also purchase a machine to clean out the sewer lines since he has had to rent one multiple times per year. (twice per month for Glandorf) He also wants to purchase a machine to smooth the inside of the pipe to prevent future clogs for \$ 95.00. Tim also presented the quotes for the spray, fertilizer and grass seed for the county properties. Commissioner Brubaker asked about Tim's budget if these things were figured in to this year's budget. Tim also presented a quote for an electric sprayer (power washer) attached to the wall, for washing vehicles.

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to adjourn for lunch.

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

Vote Wehri yes Brubaker yes Schlumbohm yes

Commissioners Wehri and Brubaker resumed session.

The RFQs for the new EMS building addition were due to day by noon. RFQs were received from:

Alexander & Bebout

Weigand Construction

ACI Construction

Touchstone CPM

The RFQs will be reviewed by the Commissioners.

A Records Commission meeting was held with Commissioners Wehri and Brubaker, Sherri Britsch, Kim Redman and Bob Benroth. Commissioner Schlumbohm joined the meeting.

Jeff Giesige met with Commissioners Wehri, Schlumbohm and Brubaker to discuss the landfill pond restoration. A map of the land fill was viewed. Jeff proposed an idea to use EPA money to fill in the borrow pits at the landfill and create a wetlands to treat the leachate. This would be a change in the original permit for the landfill. Eagon & Assoc is proposing for us to quit pumping leachate. The last permit was submitted in 2022. A modification to the permit must be submitted, Soil & Water can assist in submitting the permit. An OH-ID will be needed to submit the permit Commissioner Wehri was willing to take it over since Commissioner Schroeder did it in the past. There is also money available to reconstruct the ditch that run through the landfill. To use the pond water to treat the runoff water in the ditch. EPA has money to reconstruct the wetland ponds. This would take care of the suspended solids issue. Maybe contacting Eagon & Assoc. Eagon takes care of the ground water and incorporating them in the permit changes Bowser Morner takes care of the leachate. The EPA can be contacted directly for permit changes. Currently there is NPDES permit for the landfill. Alaina Siefker joined the meeting. She said some questions have been received regarding the reporting that has been submitted. The Village of Ottawa will be locking the leachate dumping due to someone abusing it and dumping sewage rather than leachate. The Village would be charging overtime for dumping on



weekends. It has been drier so not as much pumping has been needed. Soil & Water is willing to help any way they can. Would the Commissioners be favorable to create a land lab at the landfill? Could students be brought out there to do studies? The Commissioners are ok with that and it would not be for a few years yet anyway. The EPA is willing to help with the permit changes also. The personnel changes at the EPA was discussed. Jeff will see if they can bundle all the changes together.

Commissioner Schlumbohm left for the day at 3:35pm

Mr. Brubaker moved to adjourn for the day.

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

Vote Wehri yes Brubaker yes Schlumbohm absent

Mr. Brubaker moved to approve the minutes as read from Tuesday, March 4, 2025.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Wehri yes Mr. Brubaker yes Mr. Schlumbohm yes