

Minutes Thursday, April 10, 2025

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, 2025

Fund 001, County General

From 1001-38-180-502300, Airport Hosp.....to...1001-38-180-502200, Airport Workers
Comp\$ 17.81

Fund 005, Dog & Kennel,

From 2005-34-220-502300, Dog Warden Hosp...to...2005-34-220-502200, Dog Warden
Workers Comp...\$ 619.02

Fund 035, Solid Waste Dist Disp Fees

From 5035-65-010-502300, Comm Hospitalization...to..Comm Workers Comp....\$
19,053.48

Fund 018, General Ditch

From 2018-40-290-502000, Ditch OPERS....to.. 2018-40-290-502200, Ditch Workers
Comp..\$ 88.07

Fund 113, Putco Water/Sewer

From 5113-65-010-502300, Put Co W/S Hosp....to 5113-65-010-502200, PutCo W/S
Workers Comp...\$ 4.20

Fund 138, Landfill Closure/Maintenance

From 4138-30-010-502200, Comm Hospitalization..to..4138-30-010-502200, Comm Workers Comp...\$ 56.47

Mr. Wehri 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:

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

1001-30-010-503700, Ins. County BLDGS & LIABILITY.....\$19,720.00

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:

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, 2025.

For Treasurer...

From....1001-30-030-502300, Treasurer Hospitalization.....to...2051-30-030-502200,Treasurer Workers Comp.....\$ 1,000.00

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:

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 014, REA

2014-30-020-502200, REA Workers Comp.....\$ 1,610.21

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

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

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Mr. Brubaker moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, The Board of County Commissioners is aware that there are times when an employee retires and would like to be rehired.

and

WHEREAS, the County may have a desire to rehire certain eligible employees following their retirement; and

WHEREAS, certain provisions must be met in a retire-rehire employment status now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The Board of County Commissioners agrees that if an employee retires from county employment and then is rehired, the following provisions must be met.

- 1) Employees interested in participating in retire/ rehire program must submit their letter of interest at least 60 days in advance of any retirement through OPERS;
- 2) The County shall provide a response regarding whether and employee is eligible for the "retire-rehire" program in writing within thirty (30) days of receipt of the request to be considered for "rehire.
- 3) If an employee is eligible for "retire-rehire," they shall actually retire through OPERS and submit such confirmation of their PERS retirement date to the County.

- 4) Upon notification of the actual retirement through OPERS, employees shall receive the following payments'
 - a. Accrued but Unused Sick Leave at the current maximum limit
 - b. Accrued but Unused Vacation Leave
 - c. Accrued but Unused Compensatory Time
 - d. Hours worked, but not paidThese payments to the employee of their severance pay upon their effective retirement share shall result in their sick leave, vacation leave and compensatory time balances being zero hours upon their "rehire" date.
- 5) Upon second separation of employment "rehired" employees shall not be eligible for any further sick leave conversion. However, employees may be eligible to convert their accrued, but unused vacation leave, compensatory time and/or hours worked, but not paid;
- 6) Employees eligible for "retire-Rehire" shall accrue vacation leave as a new hire;
- 7) Employees may participate in a "retire-rehire" program for no longer than one year period(s), unless extended in writing by that Elected Official at their discretion, participation in the program shall not exceed after the 5th year of the initial agreement;
- 8) The "rehired" employees shall be eligible for all other benefits pursuant to the same terms and conditions as offered to all new hire employees.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

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

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Mr. Brubaker moved to approve the chairman signing the Cost allocation plan .

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

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

Mr. Wehri moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, The Engineer, Michael L. Lenhart, has deemed it necessary to advertise for sealed bids for the County's OPWC Paving Projects for the year 2025;

Now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The Board of Commissioners will receive sealed bids for the County's OPWC Paving Projects for the year 2025 on Thursday, June 26, 2025 at 10:30 AM;

And be it further

RESOLVED, specifications are on file in the Putnam County Engineer's Office and may be obtained by contacting the Engineer's Office between 8:30 AM and 4:30 PM Monday through Friday, or by logging onto <https://putnamcountyohio.gov/bid-info/> and downloading the Bid Document. Each bid shall contain the full name and correct address of every person, firm or company interested in the same and should be accompanied by a certified check or cashier's check upon a solvent bank in the amount of ten (10%) percent of the bid, payable to the Board of County Commissioners, or a bond executed by a surety company authorized to do business in Ohio, for a sum equal to the amount of the bid submitted, as guarantee that, if the bid is accepted, a contract will be entered into and its performance properly secured;

And be it further

RESOLVED, The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all bids submitted.

Mr. Schlumbohm 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 expenditures of said County during fiscal year ending December 31, 2025, 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 039, Workforce Investment Act (2039-41-390-510000, Transfer Out).....to.....Fund 006, Job & Family Services (2006-21-260-421000, Transfer In).....\$ 1,681.40

(Oct-Dec 2024 & Jan-Mar 2025)

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

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

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Then and Now Payments

Office of Public Safety to

Phantasm Design for uniforms for B. Hilvers for \$ 34.00

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to approve the then and now payment requests..

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

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

Exceptions: Mr. Wehri Mr. Brubaker Mr. Schlumbohm

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Purchase Orders and Travel Requests

Solid Waste Dist Disp Fees....Purchase order to Putnam County Council on Aging for senior expo exhibitor fees 2025 for \$ 60.00

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

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

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

Exceptions: Mr. Wehri Mr. Brubaker Mr. Schlumbohm

Maintenance Tim Schnipke met with Commissioners Wehri, Schlumbohm and Brubaker to discuss some maintenance updates. Commissioner Schlumbohm asked about word from Helms on replacing the wet insulation at the Event Center. They are still waiting to hear from Helms. Tim had quotes from Morelock for parking lot sealing. Tim Ruhe has not responded. Courthouse, Sheriff, Health Glandorf EMA, and Third Street lots are all included. The lot behind the bank where the ATM is located also belongs to the county. Tim had them look at that one also. Morelock has done work for us before at the Health Dept. All the lots need to be done, it has been three years already. Tim and Aaron have had overtime this week with the remodeling at the Sheriff's office. They have been mudding the drywall to repair all the damages from removing the furniture and cabinets. The kitchenette is being replaced also and they are moving the sink to match where the plumbing is located. The Health Dept made a request for handicap spots in their lot. Tim did get a quote from Schimmoeller Construction for that. The purchase order for the new Annex door has been done. Lever Glass is coming today to give a quote for the doors and panic hardware and the windows. Trisco is coming Monday for building restoration and look at the window lintels. John recommended E. Lee Construction out of Delphos also. Veteran Service did want a security analysis done. A door at the County Garage also needs replaced. The door at Job & Family off the sunroom needed a new bottom seal and does not leak any longer. The door out to the patio needs looked at also. The drain on the patio needs to be snaked, since it does not run properly. The back metal door frame at the courthouse is starting to rust and needs paint. Job & Family the storage unit is empty and Tim is having Joe check all the computer equipment. The yards are still wet. Recycling drive to the back needs another catch basin added in front of the garage doors, maintenance can install just need to purchase a basin. Stone has been added to the recycling drive and it is ok for now. The key FOB controls at the jail are 25 years old and will need to be upgraded. The cameras have been redone, the access system and logic controllers. The panel containing the door relays and logic controller. The logic controller is at end of life also. Tim is working with Joe on these upgrades. It was thought there was grant funding available for jail security that could pay for these upgrades. Tim also presented a quote for a pressure washer. Tim did ask about a prospect for summer help with mowing. It would be good to start looking for someone to help with custodial work also.

Sydney Miller and Josh Robey from iHeartMedia's Multi-Platform Group met with Commissioners Wehri, Schlumbohm and Brubaker to discuss Opioid funds. They have worked with Auglaize County Commissioners on an outreach campaign. They have met with other surrounding counties also. The goal is to direct people to treatment centers and get them help. Some slides were reviewed showing Putnam County in the comparison to other counties within Ohio. Since the border security has become tighter fentanyl has been harder to get into the county, xylazine is a horse tranquilizer that is accessible and being used in its place. The opioid crisis was started by opioids being prescribed for pain and then being overprescribed. The pharma companies did this intentionally to create more business. Some areas 10-12 years ago had to have trucks come in to help with the overflow of bodies from drug overdoses. Putnam County is lower than the State and national average for unintentional drug overdose death rate. The campaigns can be adjusted to be seasonal since holiday are more stressful for some. Word of mouth is the top method of sharing the message. People need support of friends and family

when seeking help and treatment. The communities need to work together. If one entity is at capacity another can be referred or added to help provide support or treatment. iHeart Media wants to help push awareness for treatment centers. The goal is to get people to the point of care. The methods of outreach could be audio, YouTube & CTV and digital displays. The information is tracked to show any increases in those seeking services. The County does use the opioid money for drug enforcement. The Commissioners will confer with Pathways to see what resources they have and what can be done with those resources. Each county can do their own method for outreach. Since Putnam County is smaller it may have to be expanded to other surrounding areas and hopefully it would help someone from those areas as well. The overall radio message could be for Allen County call Coleman Services for Putnam County call Pathways Counseling Center. Grants are opening for the regions so the messages can be streamlined. iHeartMedia is a cofounder of the National Opioid Action Coalition, unfortunately everyone has someone who been affected by the opioids. Audio is number one way to reach out and spread a message. There is a local radio station in Ottawa 106.3. iHeart is willing to meet with Pathways also. Xylazine is called the zombie drug, and the use of Gabapentine, a seizure drug is also on the rise. Any community safety messages than need to be shared or broadcasted iHeart Media is willing to help along with the local station. On streaming all people could be listening to the same station but all depending on where they are and want targeting is happening will hear different ads in their stream.

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

Crime Victims Directors Amy Wiechart-Bayliff, & Tammy Baumunk met with Commissioners Wehri, Schlumbohm and Brubaker to do introductions with the new commissioners and to provide updates. Amy works out of the Lima office and Tammy works mainly in Ottawa. Tammy explained the VAWA grants and the funding that Crime Victim Services receives. They have received word they were awarded \$54,000 for the upcoming year. Jared Sunderland the admin director is working out the details for the reporting with the Prosecutor in the new software system for the County. They provide the emotional support to the victims of domestic violence or sexual abuse. They work with JFS also. Some information was shared explaining their services. Do the Commissioners have any questions? Crime Victims has 25 funding sources with majority of funding from grants. VOCA and VAWA grants and local funding as well as from the ADAMHS Board. They work seamlessly with the local departments to provide the needed services. The victim's rights need to be heard and recognized and that is how Crime Victim Services helps those who are affected. The Commissioners asked about their office space if there are any issues? Most people say it is very homey and comfortable to come for services. Crime Victims is very appreciative of the accommodations provided by the county. They are willing to provide any outreach and training whenever it is needed.

Mr. Brubaker moved to adjourn for lunch.

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

Vote: Wehri yes Brubaker yes Schlumbohm yes

Commissioners Schlumbohm, Wehri and Brubaker resumed session.

Commissioners Schlumbohm, Wehri and Brubaker attended the Board of Revision BOR meeting in the assembly room.

The minutes from Tuesday, April 8, 2025 were reviewed and approved.

Joe Burkhart stopped in to check back on the security update at the Annex. His concern is the elevator and when it does not work. Should the elevator be the only access for the public to the second floor? Could people buzz in at the top of the stairs rather than the bottom? Quotes are being collected for both buzz in points. Leever Glass was in today and reviewed the points where the security buzz ins could be added. The current doors swing the wrong way. A camera will need to be added to the stairwell. There are already cameras on all the exterior doors. The back doors should be secured either locked from outside or use a fob to enter. The cameras can be viewed on the personal monitors or a tv can be mounted on the wall. Wireless could be transferred to whomever is at their desk where hard hired to a specific desk. Usually, a juvenile will have a parent with them. Hopefully we can pick and choose the options from the quote that will be submitted. Dave is currently working on the IT security upgrades.

Planning Commission Nolan Croy met with Commissioners Wehri, Schlumbohm and Brubaker to discuss the Planning Commission's Board Members. The Planning Commission board is appointed by the Commissioners. The Health Board position has changed twice this year for who will represent the Health Dept. Beth Skulina will be reappointed to represent the Health Dept. Nolan brought up a flood plain issue, he is tracking the amount of topsoil that is taken out and the amount of fill that is going in. If there are any other issues similar to that, Nolan will handle the same way with tracking.

Commissioner Schlumbohm left for the day at 3:40pm

Mr. Brubaker moved to adjourn for the day.

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

Vote: Wehri yes Brubaker yes Schlumbohm absent

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to approve the minutes as read from Thursday, April 10, 2025.

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

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