

**Minutes Thursday, April 17, 2025**

Mr. Wehri 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 Job & Family...

From..2006-35-260-506000, Other Expense...to....2006-35-260-502300, JFS Hospitalization.....\$251,000.00

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:

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 Juvenile

For Juvenile/Probate

From...2111-32-070-502300, Juv Prob. Hospitalization.....to...2111-32-070-502200, Juv.Prob. Workers Comp.....\$500.00

From....2111-32-070-502300, Juv. Prob. Hospitalization...to .....2111-32-070-502100 Juv. Prob. Medicare.....\$ 482.45

From...2111-32-070-50100, Juv Prob. Emp Compensation...to..2111-32-070-502000, Jov. Prob. OPERS...\$ 2,956.90

From... 2111-32-070-501100, Juv Prob. Emp. Compensation...to...2111-32-070-506025, Other Expenses...\$ 25,000.00

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

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

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Mr. Wehri moved to approve the Statement of Cash from Revenue & Expense as of March 31, 2025.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

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

### **Then and Now Payments**

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

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**

**County General...**Purchase order to CORSA for 2025/2026 program costs for \$ 229,720.00.

**Sewer Dist #1....**Purchase order to Put Co Commissioners for cost allocation for \$ 2,343.00.

**Putnam Acres....**Purchase order to Put Co Commissioners for cost allocation for \$ 658.00

**Sewer Dist #2.....**Purchase order to Put Co Commissioners for cost allocation for \$ 556.00

**Landfill Clos/Mnt....**Purchase order to Put Co Commissioners for cost allocation for \$ 1,465.00

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

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

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

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

Mr. Wehri led the Pledge of Allegiance with Commissioners Brubaker and Schlumbohm and Cindy Landwehr, Clerk.

Rob Fawcett w/ UIS Insurance met with Commissioners Schlumbohm, Wehri and Brubaker to discuss the CORSA (County Risk Sharing Authority's) insurance renewal for the county. The insurance is a pool. The renewal information is coming in the next few weeks. Rob explained the property coverage which included property in the open. Some of the departments have done some updating so the inventory schedules have been updated and when new equipment is purchased it is added at the time of purchase. The insurance on the monuments and memorials was explained under fine arts. The coverage limits were explained for each category. The CORSA premium history was reviewed. The county is at 166 vehicles currently under insurance. The deductible was raised to \$10,000 per incident which has saved money. Corsa insures 66 of the 88 counties within Ohio. The stewardship report was reviewed to give an evaluation of UIS and how they are doing. The current charges were reviewed and the program cost allocations. Rob also explained the insurance on the county library. The EMS Building addition was brought up and Rob said the builder's risk must be decided when the construction is started. CORSA will take over coverage when the project is complete. The bridge liability was discussed along with the inspection process and costs. Rob is more than willing to assist with

any risk management issues for any of the departments. The villages cover the individual EMS squads primarily but CORSA will cover for contracted services.

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

The minutes from Tuesday, April 15, 2025 were reviewed and approved.

Commissioners Wehri, Schlumbohm and Brubaker & EMA Director Brian Hilvers, Tim Schnipke and Joe Burkhart met to do the request for proposals (RFP) reviews for the new EMS building addition. The RFPs were received from Alexander & Bebout, Touchstone, and Weigand Construction. The Commissioners reviewed each proposal and compared the prices submitted. Tim wanted to make sure the contractor chosen cares what the county wants out of the project rather than what the subcontractors which is the way the Event Center construction went. The relationship with Helms Construction was not in the county's favor for the outcome of the project. The customer service from Helms was not comparable to the service received from Muhlenkamp who did the Grandstand rehab work. The Grandstand project went much smoother and turned out much better. The bidding for subs will not happen until late summer. Next August would be the substantial completion date and move in date. Weigand has a nice construction site out at Nelson Manufacturing it is always clean. Tim asked what kind of roof for this building, hopefully not a flat roof. The exterior water should not be brought in to the building, each building that has that has issues with it. The size of the bay doors were discussed. Some items will be entered as an alternate bid. Where will the heating and cooling units be located for the sleeping quarters, up in the mezzanine. How will they be accessed for maintenance? Will there be stairs or a walkway to get access. The warranty on the HVAC system was discussed the county will take over when the warranty is up. There will be input from the county for the entire project. The architect's work will be reviewed as the project progresses as well. If the contractor has issues with the drawings it will be addressed during the project.

The proposals received were as follows:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Proposal-Total Price</u>	<u>Estimated cost of work</u>
Alexander & Bebout	\$ 476,200.00	\$3,000,000-\$3,150,000
Weigand Construction	\$ 474,945.50	\$3,000,000
Touchstone	\$ 390,296.17	\$3,000,000,000-\$3,090,000

Brian will work on getting furniture, some will be reused from the house and he will see if he can get some donations or discounts from Whirlpool for appliances. More details need to be added to the building design before the final drawing is complete. Having a local business for the cabinets would be nice there are a few in the county to ask for bids. Gas service for cooking was discussed and what requirements would be needed, it would be similar to residential, there could be a kill switch for rapid exits for calls.

Commissioner Schlumbohm left for the day.

Tim said the new security door for the Annex has been ordered, Joe had a quote for security devices for buzzing into the building. Tim said several of the windows if not all need to be replaced. The quote from Leever should be in next week. The final quote on the painting in the courtroom is coming in next week also. Tim is getting items ready for auction and some of the

office furniture does not go well on the auction so it could just be loaded and hauled for scrap. The vehicles are begin prepped. A possible site for the auction could in the Ag Complex, if it is cleared out. Tim talked about the trailers on inventory, some that are not used.

Mr. Brubaker moved to adjourn for lunch.

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

Vote: Wehri yes Brubaker yes Schlumbohm absent

Commissioners Wehri and Brubaker resumed session.

A phone was received by the Commissioners from Paul Fallon, (304-439-0443) regarding raising public awareness on some upcoming issues Senate bill 10 & HB 5. These would require third party funders and to have to be exposed to the court. These funders would fund civil cases and would get money back if there were a settlement. This would encourage the filing of more frivolous law suits and make it so the third-party funders would take a portion of the settlements in these cases from the rightful parties. It would hurt small businesses, economic growth and cause a hold up in the judicial system. The Commissioners are willing to receive the information and will review it.

Mr. Wehri moved to adjourn for the day.

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

Vote: Wehri yes Brubaker yes Schlumbohm absent

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to approve the minutes as read from Thursday, April 17, 2025.

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

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