

Minutes Thursday, June 12, 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 Common Pleas...

From...1001-31-060-501100, Common Pleas Emp Compensation.....to....1001-31-090-501100, Clerk of Court Compensation.....\$1,500.00

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

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

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Mr. Brubaker moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, Elected officials/department heads were requested to submit estimates of their budget requirements for the next fiscal year by May 27, 2025.

WHEREAS, According to Section 5705.28 of the Ohio Revised Code the county commissioners are required to prepare a budget for the next fiscal year.

now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The Board of County Commissioners does hereby set the date of Tuesday, July 1, 2025, at 12:00 p.m. in the Board of County Commissioners office as the date for the public hearing on the prepared budget for the next fiscal year ending December 31, 2026.

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

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

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Then and Now Payments

Engineer to

Kalida Truck Equipment for additional items for truck bed for \$ 2,500.00.

USA Diesel Group for fuel pump for truck # 38 for \$ 1,241.20.

USA Diesel Group for fuel pump trk #38 for \$ 445.88

ADAMHS Board to

Lamar Companies for billboards for \$ 490.00

Pathways Counseling for NCE-billboards for \$ 2,090.00.

Law Library to

Matthew Bender for OH EVID 2025 Courtroom manual for \$ 479.49

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

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

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

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

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Purchase Orders and Travel Requests

Capital Improvement.....Purchase order to Halker Drywall for repairing and repainting plaster in Common Pleas courtroom for \$ 90,000.00. Purchase order to Professional Service Industries for soil borings for new EMS building addition for \$ 6,000.00.

Job & Family.....Purchase order to Owens Community College for F Guerra for CDL & Haz Mat Training for \$ 6,231.50, Blanket purchase order for adult WIA for \$ 10,000.00.

Office of Public Safety....Purchase order to Huntington Bank for credit card and lock box fees for \$ 7,000.00

Sheriff.....Travel request for Brayden Maas and Brent Meyers to attend the Taser Instructor Course in Newcomerstown, OH on Jun 16-18, 2025 with expenses for registration, lodging, meals and other totaling \$ 2,630.00.

County General.....Blanket purchase order for copy paper for 2025 for \$ 8,000.00. Purchase order to Ottawa Water Works for water usage at county Bldgs for \$ 3000.00 for Ag Complex for \$ 1500.00.

Ditch Maintenance.....Purchase order to Byrne Excavating for work on the Carl Maag Dt #838 for \$ 4436.00. Blanket purchase order for 2025 ditch spraying for \$ 90,000.00.

Dog & Kennel.....Travel request for Mike Schroth to attend the NW Ohio Dog Warden Assoc. meeting in Marion County on Jun 17, 2025 no expense listed.

Landfill Clos/Mnt.....Blanket purchase order for leachate pump supplies, fuel for \$ 250.00

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

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

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

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

Commissioner Wehri opened the session with leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Brian Hilvers, Joe Burkhart and Todd Worchuck met with Commissioners Wehri and Brubaker to discuss the new EMS building and the EMA app. Todd started with the fees being paid on the

Code Red services there is an increase in the cost for continued service. The Code Red system is not user friendly, the only service the public gets from it is alerts. There is a new app the Sheriff's app, the pricing and set up was reviewed and discussed. The pricing for the Sheriff app is less than Code Red. All the departments that would use it have met to review. This app is more inclusive for getting information out, there are 34 counties in Ohio that use this app. A QR code would be used to load the app. Some counties are using opioid settlement money to pay for this app. Information can go back and forth to and from the public, using a tip line feature. Non-emergent information can be shared with the public also. Reminders for property taxes being due, along with notices about the fair can all be conveyed through this app. This app is less than the Code Red fees and 911 funds are being used for Code Red. 911 can continue to pay but any grant funding or other funding is welcome to help pay. The Code Red will be continued until March 2026 when the contract is up. The new app will be promoted which is included in the setup fee. There are many public events that can be used to share the information to get the word out to the public. It can be loaded from a QR code. This would help to inform the public of what resources are available to them for services. An example of how the app can be setup was viewed. The Commissioners are in favor of using the new app. The Code Red service dropped drastically when people got rid of their landlines. People want more instant notices and this app would give them that.

Brian started on the building he has responded to some of the inquiries from Technicon and Touchstone. Not all of the questions have been answered. Brian does not have all the answers that are needed to get the plans complete prior to the Jun 17 meeting. Joe has provided answers on the items that he knows. He will not be available next week for the meeting. The responsibilities of the contractor and the owners needs to be defined on some of the installations.

Brian requested an executive session to discuss employee discipline.

Mr. Brubaker moved to go into executive session at 9:01am to discuss employee discipline with Commissioner Wehri and Brian Hilvers.

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion,

Vote Wehri yes Brubaker yes Schlumbohm absent

Commissioners went back on record at 9:28am

No decisions were made.

Joe Burkhart met with Commissioners Wehri and Brubaker to discuss the progress of the IT upgrades approved by the last administration. Since a surrounding county was hacked things got more secure to be preventative. There is a purchase order in place yet for these expenses but additional money will be needed to completely finish, about \$8,000. Some things were done and the way it was done made it cheaper than originally predicted, but some extra was done due to the hacking to keep things secure. There is a renewal coming up in July and Joe would like to do a three-year renewal rather than just one year at a time. More support hours will be needed also. The category of expenses may need to be adjusted to cover all the bills.

The new door has been installed in the Annex, but the security locks are not complete yet. A handicap opener will be needed also. The ADA compliance must be included in the new EMS building addition also.

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

The minutes from Friday June 6, were reviewed and approved.

Commissioners Wehri and Brubaker held a bid opening for the rebidding of the Airport T-Hangar and Taxiway sitework. The bids were received as follows:

<u>Contractor</u>		<u>Bid Bond</u>	<u>Bid amount</u>
B. Hillz Exc	-Wayne, OH	included	\$216,176.00
Advanced Exc & Demo	-McComb, OH	included	\$265,117.50
Fenson Contracting	-Ft. Jennings, OH	included	\$208,804.00
All Purpose Contracting	-Delphos, OH	included	\$ 212,990.00
Ward Construction	-Leipsic, OH	included	\$ 193,281.00

Mr. Brubaker moved to table the bids for review by CMT.

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

Vote: Wehri yes Brubaker yes Schlumbohm absent

Mr. Wehri moved to adjourn for lunch.

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

Vote Wehri yes Brubaker yes Schlumbohm absent

Commissioners Wehri and Brubaker resumed session.

Mr. Brubaker moved to adjourn for the day.

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

Vote: Wehri yes Brubaker yes Schlumbohm absent

Mr. Wehri moved to approve the minutes as read from Thursday, June 12, 2025.

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

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