

Minutes Tuesday, August 12, 2025

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

1001-30-010-503302, Contract Services\$17,500.00

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:

WHEREAS, The Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners has informed the Board that a petition praying for annexation of certain territory in Ottawa Township to the Village of Ottawa, Putnam County, Ohio, was filed on the 17th day of June, 2025.

and

WHEREAS, Said petition is hereby attached and becomes a part of this Resolution. The petition was signed by owners Ricky E. Erhart and Susan A. Erhart.

and

WHEREAS, The owners of the land, which is contiguous with the Village of Ottawa, Ohio, requests that the petition be approved, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 709.02. Nicole Shafer is appointed agent for the petitioner(s), who specifically elect that this petition for annexation follow the special procedures for annexation as outlined in Ohio Revised Code 709.02.

now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The petition for annexation to the Village of Ottawa is hereby granted.

and be it further

RESOLVED, That the clerk is hereby directed to forward a certified copy of the entire record of the annexation to the Clerk of the Village of Ottawa for further processing.

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:

WHEREAS, By the Board of County Commissioners in accordance with the provisions

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TOTAL	3,592,479.25	5,445,547.07	2.60	6.30

SCHEDULE B
LEVIES OUTSIDE 10 MILL LIMITATION, EXCLUSIVE OF DEBT LEVIES

FUND	Maximum Rate Authorized to Be Levied	County Auditor's Est. of Yield of Levy (Carry to Schedule A, Column II)	Expires
GENERAL FUND:			
Current Expense Levy authorized by voters on not to exceed _____ years.			
SPECIAL LEVY FUNDS:			
Levy authorized by voters on 11-5-24 Mental Health not to exceed 5 years. Renew	0.30	219,168.02	2029
Levy authorized by voters on 11-5-24 Mental Health not to exceed 5 years.	0.40	410,840.87	2029
Levy authorized by voters on 11-2-20 Brookhill not to exceed 10 years. Replacement	0.00	410,177.29	2030
Levy authorized by voters on 3-2-04 Brookhill not to exceed Indef. years. Replacement	2.00	1,460,403.50	Indef
Levy authorized by voters on 5-6-14 Brookhill not to exceed 10 years. Renewal w/ decrease	0.00	1,077,458.03	2028
Levy authorized by voters on 11-5-24 E-911 not to exceed 5 years. Renew	1.25	1,283,876.60	2029
Levy authorized by voters on 11-5-13 EMS not to exceed Indef. years.	0.65	583,622.89	Indef
Levy authorized by voters on not to exceed _____ years.			
Levy authorized by voters on and be it further			

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of this Board be and he is hereby directed to certify a copy of

this Resolution to the County Auditor of said County.

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

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

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Mr. Wehri moved to approve signing the Animal Evacuation and Shelter Policy for evacuation, sheltering, care and reunification of dogs, service dogs in Putnam County during emergencies such as floods, fires, hazardous material incidents, pandemics or severe weather events, which included a MOU between the Putnam County Office of Public Safety and K-9 Kennels.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

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

Then and Now Payments

County General.....to Davis Newcomer Elevator for elevator inspection for \$ 155.14

.....to Ottawa Feed & Grain for maintenance supplies for \$ 38.98

..To Elan Financial for yr 6 of 10 for identity guard for Auditor for APRA funds for \$ 319.93

ADAMHS Bd.....to Recovery Services of Northwest Ohio for April recovery services for \$ 4,703.40

To Recovery Services of Northwest Ohio for May Recovery services for \$ 2,176.20

To Recovery Service for Northwest Ohio for June recovery services for \$ 2,106.00

To Putnam County Task Force for Youth for wellness week prizes for \$ 3,786.75

To Lamar Companies for 988 billboards for \$980.00

To Lamar Companies for 988 billboards for \$1,060.00

Sewer Dist #1.....to Ottawa Feed & Grain for pump repair for \$ 79.43

Probate/Juv...to Christopher Zografides for part appt counsel fees KF Case for \$ 273.98

To Tim Hoover Esq. for appt counsel for KF case for \$ 217.50

To Philip Germann for appt counsel fees BC case for \$ 1,087.50

To Melissa Sherrick for appt counsel for NR Case for \$ 465.00

To Austin Buchholz for appt counsel fee for NR case for \$ 405.00

Mr. Wehri 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 none Mr. Brubaker none Mr. Schlumbohm none

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Purchase Orders and Travel Requests

Grant Admin.....Travel request for Ashley Siefker to attend the CDBG regional workshop in Findlay, OH on Sept 3 with no expenses listed.

Clerk of Courts.....Travel request for Kim Redman to attend the OCCA HR 7 Legal Seminar in Columbus, OH on Sept 16-18, 2025 with expenses for mileage, lodging, meals and meals totaling \$ 320.82.

County General... Purchase order to SHI International for CISCO DUO software for \$ 21,966.75. Purchase order to Putnam CO Auditor for ditch assessment for Vince Schroeder Dt # 987 for \$ 564.95

Treasurer.....Travel request for Tracy Warnecke to attend the Ohio Dept of Dev/Landbank meeting in Defiance, OH on August 15, 2025 no expenses listed.

CDBG.....Purchase order to Tri-County Roofing for Allen Co Home Repair –Early for \$25,341.00.

Veteran Services.....Amended travel request for Matt Prenzlin to attend the NACVSO training in Louisville, KY July 13-18, 2025 add a night for hotel increasing the lodging expense to \$1,325.40.

Job & Family Services....Purchase order to Put Co Job & Family for agency misc expenses for \$ 10,000.00, Purchase order to Northwestern Ohio Community Action Commission for child care expenses for\$ 7,000.00, Purchase order to Attendance on Demand for agency time clock system for \$ 1,500.00.

Mr. Wehri 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

Purchase order Adjustments

Purchase order for AEP additional needed for Ag Complex service of \$ 839.40 and for O-G Road Complex for \$ 62.00.

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to approve the purchase orders adjustments.

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

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

Commissioners Wehri, Schlumbohm and Brubaker called Bryan Maag to address a question on the property that he rents from the county. He has always rented this parcel since he farms all the way around it. He is questioning if that would go to another bidder how would the boundaries be established as there are no pins set. The Commissioners said it would be surveyed. The Commissioners said they would go with the best bid on the farm bids.

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

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

The minutes from Thursday August 7, 2025 were reviewed and approved.

Joan Brinkman stopped in to present a picture of the courthouse to the Commissioners to display in the courthouse.

Bob Benroth met with Commissioners Wehri, Schlumbohm and Brubaker to discuss the purchase of a budgetary analytics software module for the SSI system. Bob shared information on the module. Commissioner Schlumbohm shared that the sewer districts will not be gone by the end of the year so the billing will not be handed over to the Village by then. As long as the old Bosa Nova system is available the billing can be done through there. The new system is through the same company as the real estate records. The Software Solutions System is like a cafeteria where, as things are needed, they can be added. An additional budgetary module must be purchased to aid in the budget planning. The basic module was purchased so additional software will be needed for \$22,000 with an annual maintenance fee also. There was

an instance when the dental insurance deductions were done twice on the employees' paychecks for a pay week, so refunds need to be issued to the employees who were double charged. The real estate software conversion will take place in October. Only two years of history have been added to the new website so far. The real estate conversion will not affect employees since it does not involve their paychecks. A question of the charge for cloud services was asked as we do not use the cloud for storage we have our own server for storage. Jeremy could answer that question he is out doing calibration on propane trucks currently. Bob s asking if the Commissioner are in agreement for this expense and appropriating additional money for this purchase. The new EMS building addition estimate came in much higher than anticipated, so the Commissioners will have to keep a close eye on the county's budget balance.

Mr. Wehri moved to adjourn for lunch.

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

Vote: Wehri yes Brubaker yes Schlumbohm yes

Commissioners Wehri, Schlumbohm and Brubaker resumed session.

Mike Boaz of Board of D/D met with Commissioners Wehri, Schlumbohm and Brubaker to discuss board appointments and give updates. He said they are required to have one board member now that is someone that they serve for developmental disabilities. The board has seven members total; five are appointed by the commissioners and two are appointed by probate. Sue Schroeder will be off the board at the end of this year. After a first term, they can do two more terms with a total of 12 years served. Sue has reached that point and they are going to really miss her. He has two others that might be staying on and he will find out from them for sure. Him and the staff are going to do some research and figure out who would be able to fill the spot and they will have a recommendation to present to the commissioners on who to appoint. This will be the first time that they will have a client on the board and he has had other counties that already have done it. Mike will be making a post soon on Facebook to announce they are looking for someone that is interested and to reach out to them. He said the Board meets once a month; 10 times a year for their minimum. Mike wanted to give a brief update on his budget. He usually has a huge carry over and last year they did not collect. This year they are going to deficit spend possibly about \$350-450,000. This will eat into that carry over quickly and wanted to give the commissioners a little heads up on that. A service waiver is how they pay for services for an individual. Their providers that they use for the clients like Brookhill hadn't had a service raise in about 10 years so they increased that fee. He has a 60/40 split on clients which his part is by state law that he has to pay for it and it is their biggest budget item. Mike said in 2024 they paid out \$875,000 and that 2025 will likely be around \$1.2 or \$1.3 million this year. They do have some clients that are very high needs. Mike is also wanting to do a tour with the board of Brookhill and invited the commissioners, possibly around the 2nd Tuesday of September but will reach out to let us know when for sure so we can add it to the calendar.

Commissioners Wehri and Brubaker inquired with Prosecutor Gary Lammers over requests that were received from departments and the procedures to help make a decision. Rob Fawcett will be contacted for the liability that could be involved.

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 Tuesday, August 12, 2025.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Wehri Y Mr. Brubaker Y Mr. Schlumbohm Y