# Minutes Thursday, October 23, 2025

Mr. Schlumbohm 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.

#### Commissioners

From...1001-30-010-505001, Construction......to 1001-30-015-503300, Putnam Complex ...\$1,200.00

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Wehri yes Mr. Brubaker yes Mr. Schlumbohm yes Comm. Jrl. 121, Page 460

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 018, General Ditch

2018-40-290-503000, Contracts-Services......\$ 190.000.00

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Wehri yes Mr. Brubaker yes Mr. Schlumbohm yes Comm. Jrl. 121, Page 461

## **Then and Now Payments**

County General... to Put Co Engineer for fuel for lift for \$ 24.47

To Vulcan Enterprises for annual inspections of fire suppression At Ag Complex and O-G Road Complex \$6,200.00

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

Mr. Wehri 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**

**County General....**Purchase order to Ottawa Water Works for water usage Sept –Dec for \$ 3000 for Ag Complex for \$ 1,200.00

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 Mr. Brubaker Mr. Schlumbohm

#### **Purchase order Adjustments**

**Capital Improvement....**additional needed for Technicon Design Group for change order for mechanical redesign of EMS building addition for \$47,850.00

Mr. seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Wehri Mr. Brubaker Mr. Schlumbohm

Mr. Brubaker moved to table for further review.

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

Vote Wehri yes Brubaker yes Schlumbohm yes

Board of Elections Board Member Kurt Sahloff met with Commissioners Wehri, Schlumbohm and Brubaker to discuss a BOE budget increase to hire a deputy director. Early voting is under way and going fine. There are some changes for voting locations from the YMCA to the Event Center. The additional money is needed for 2026 to hire a deputy director since there is not one at this time. Kathy Miller will be transitioned to the director position and then a new deputy director can be hired. There are a few other employees who are part time and seasonal. There will be an overlap of having three people during the training phase so additional money would be needed through the training phase until Karen's retirement date next summer. They are hoping to find someone who is technologically inclined to work with the voting machines. There is a lot with cybersecurity to deal with also. The hours could be less than full time also. These are hopeful plans nothing has been voted on yet. This budgetary request is for the transition only not continuous. The Commissioners are asking for a 5-year plan for budgetary expenses for equipment. The Board of Elections does get state grants through the year to help pay for some of the mandates that come through. Due to early voting, half of the population is voting on election day the other half uses to early election times to vote so the resources can be redistributed on election day. The Board work with the employees to review the budget. Postage is a big expense along with advertising. The Board of Elections staff is good to work with for people who are running for office and giving guidance for filing the current forms.

Commissioners Wehri, Schlumbohm and Brubaker reviewed the county inventory of locations, equipment and vehicles and reviewed the values for the CORSA liability insurance renewal.

Commissioners call Don Croy to inform him that there will be dirt available from the EMS building for a ditch project in Ottawa Township.

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

Commissioners Schlumbohm, Wehri and Brubaker attended a bid opening with Mike Lenhart for widening & resurfacing Old SR12/County Road 18-S/County Road 19. The bids were received as follows:

Contractor	Bid bond	Bid amount
Bluffton Paving	included	\$1,572,053.20
Shelly Company	included	\$1,663,038.20
Ward Construction	included	\$ 1,576,546.53

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to table the bids for review.

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

Vote: Wehri yes Brubaker yes Schlumbohm yes

The minutes from Tuesday, October 21, 2025 were reviewed and approved.

Mr. Wehri moved to adjourn for the day.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

Vote: Wehri yes Brubaker yes Schlumbohm yes

Mr. Wehri moved to approve the minutes as read from Thursday, October 23, 2025.

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

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