

Minutes Thursday January 15, 2026

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, 2026, 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 2111, Juvenile Probation

2111-32-070-501100, Juv Prob Employee Compensation.....\$ 13,192.50

2111-32-070-502000, Juv Prob OPERS.....\$ 2,535.50

2111-32-070-502100, Juv Prob Medicare.....\$ 428.89

2111-32-070-502200, Juv Prob Workers Comp.....\$ 500.00

2111-32-070-506025, Juv Prob Other Expenses.....\$ 74,257.80

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schlumbohm yes Mr. Wehri yes Mr. Brubaker yes
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Then and Now Payments

Board of D/D... to Primary Solutions for Infal Maintenance agrmt for \$ 3,900.00

Engineer ...to Stoops Freightliner for master switch for #'4 for \$ 326.74

To Ohio Utilities Protection srv for annual OUPS dues for \$ 672.95

County General....to Bell Auto Supply for supplies for \$ 10.44

To Village Hardware for construction supplies to move courtroom for \$ 71.52

Auditor....to Pivot Point Partners for 2026 Website licensing Fee for \$ 14,000.00

Landfill Clos/Mnt...to Cherry's Propane for propane at landfill for\$ 476.91

Office of Pubic Safety....to Okuley's Pharmacy oxygen cylinder lease for \$ 581.50

to Locality Media Inc for EMS Reporting System for \$ 14,060.00.

To AWHR for water heater lease at house for \$ 20.85

To Emergency Mangagement Assn of Ohio for Putnam County EMA for \$ 50.00

To US Bank Voyager Fleet System for EMS Fuel-Dec for \$ 1,590.91

To Put Co Engineer for EMS fuel Dec for \$ 4,056.60

Sheriff...to Ottawa Water Works for Dec water for \$ 1,196.84

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

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schlumbohm yes Mr. Wehri yes Mr. Brubaker yes
Exceptions: Mr. Schlumbohm none Mr. Wehri none Mr. Brubaker none
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Purchase orders & Travel Requests

Ditch Maintenance...Purchase order to Cory Green Excavating for work on the B. Erhart Dt. For \$ 19,060.00, Purchase order to Kahle Excavating for work on the Albert Verhoff Dt for \$ 9,030.66, Purchase order to Kahle Excavating for work on the J.C. Langhals Dt # 412 for \$ 14,485.48, Purchase order to Byrne Excavating for work on the Lester Glasser Dt # 350 for \$ 4,724.80, Purchase order to Sand Ridge Excavating for work on the Ditch Run # 840 for \$ 34,387.20, Purchase order to Kahle Excavating for work on the Edgar Begg Dt # 667 for \$ 4,234.42, Purchase order to Kahle Excavating for work on the Inkrott # 839 for \$ 8,966.78, Purchase order to Byrne Excavating for work on the Don Zeller Dt # 862 for \$ 12,353.75.

Sheriff/Jail....Travel request for Ryan Turner and Delany Boecker to attend the Wood County Corrections Academy in Bowling Green Feb 23, 2026 through Mar 20, 2025 with expense for registration, meals and other totaling \$ 1,690.00.

Office of Public Safety....Purchase order to Great Lakes Billing for contractual billing Dec services for \$ 15,632.62. Purchase order to Huggins Auto Shop for vehicle maintenance for \$ 5,622.96. Purchase order to T-Mobile for cellphones for \$ 1,807.26.

CDBG....Blanket purchase order for CDBG Admin PY 23 CHIP/FLEX costs for \$ 29,262.01, Blanket purchase order for CHIP 23 repair soft costs for \$ 14,000.00, Blanket purchase order for CHIP 23 repairs costs for \$ 86,254.00, Blanket purchase order for CHIP 23 fair housing costs for \$ 1,350.00, Blanket purchase order for Leipsic FLEX 24 soft costs for \$ 14,660.10, 91Blanket purchase order for Leipsic FLEX 24 Repair costs for \$ 220,406.00.

Blanket purchase order for CHIP 23 rehab soft costs for \$ 14,000.00, Blanket purchase order for CHIP 23 Rehab costs for \$ 75,000.00, Blanket purchase order for allocation 25 Admin costs for \$ 25,500.00, Blanket purchase order for allocation 25 Fair housing costs for \$4,500.00, Blanket purchase order for allocation 25 Historical museum repairs for \$ 60,000.00, Blanket purchase order for Allocation 25 West Leipsic Park repairs for \$ 60,000.00,

Enterprise Zone Compensation...Purchase order to Put Co CIC for 2026 TIRC review fees for \$ 600.00.

Ag Complex.....Purchase order to Vulcan for repairs to fire suppression at Ag Complex for \$ 1,815.00.

Job & Family Services...Purchase order to Fresh Encounter Community Market for Christmas fund Visa Cards for \$ 2,031.80

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

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

Purchase order Adjustments

Mr. moved to approve the purchase orders adjustments.

Mr. seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schlumbohm Mr. Wehri Mr. Brubaker

Kyle Stechschulte of Village of Ottawa met with Commissioners Wehri, Schlumbohm and Brubaker to discuss county sewer districts, contracts, & operator of record & county leachate. Tim Schnipke and Lima News reporter Craig Kelly via teleconference joined the meeting also. The meeting was started with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Wehri. Kyle opened with the county needing a new contract for sewer services from the village of Ottawa. He submitted a basic agreement which can be modified. The pump stations and which entity uses which pump station. The village does use pump station A which is on the county's portion. There will be a new housing subdivision added which will use this station also. The Commissioners will have a public meeting with the residents to explain the procedure and what needs to be done. The county will have to have an Operator of Record for their sewer operations. The county will have to have an operator of record for the landfill as well according to the EPA. The answers and responses depend on who you talk to at the EPA. Mr. Lyle Croy has posed questions to the village but since he is not a village resident the village could not answer his questions. The county charges their own O & M fee. The village residents on the county line should not be charged by the county and those charges will be taken over by the village and the village is willing to do some cost sharing for services and maintenance. There are a lot of misconceptions from the residents that need to be addressed and cleared up. Water tap in fees are a concern of residents as well as a cost of installing sidewalks for those that will need to annex. Kyle has asked for questions from the residents to help clear up some information. Commissioner Schlumbohm asked about the billing and what readings will be used for billing. Will it be meters readings or pump readings? The new meters that have been installed are remote readable. If there are issues with reading the meters the county would be responsible to repair and get readings if the lines are not transferred. If the county keeps the sewer lines it would be similar to Glandorf in being just a collection service. Glandorf does their own meter readings and repairs. And they are billed by their meter readings. Miller City is serviced for water by Ottawa. Kyle also submitted updated rates. A copy of the original agreement with the Village was shared. Tim Schnipke asked about the O & M billing to the residents, any resident on Mohawk Drive do not pay the county's O & M they pay to the village. Why is the county billing for Pohl Rd yet? There are five customers on that line that are not village customers so the county bills that line. Kyle has not reviewed that district agreement yet. They would like to get this one taken care of first. The Commissioners will review the information that Kyle shared and set up a public meeting. Kyle would like to do what is best for everyone, they are all part of the Ottawa community. Tim Schnipke can provide maintenance records on the pump stations and the pumps are checked weekly. The village also checks their pumps weekly and some more often. Kyle is willing to work with the county in any information they need.

The Commissioners asked about the letter from the Village regarding the misunderstanding of the leachate dumping. This could have been handled differently. The village only has dumping

hours during the day and the leachate driver is part time and only works on the weekend. Something will have to be worked out for the future.

Kyle will work with the township also to get this sewer situation resolved. Some questions from the reporter were answered and addressed. The timeline for decision would be as soon as possible the public meeting are looking to be scheduled in February. The options are to continue with the county reading meters and billing or to turn it over to the Village and have the area annex to the village of Ottawa and have the village take over the billing for that area.

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

The minutes from Tuesday January 13, 2026 were reviewed and approved.

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to adjourn for lunch.

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

Vote Schlumbohm yes Wehri yes Brubaker yes

Commissioner Wehri and Brubaker returned from lunch.

Mr. Brubaker motioned to adjourn for the day.

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

Vote Schlumbohm absent Wehri yes Brubaker yes

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to approve the minutes as read from Thursday, January 15, 2026.

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

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