

Minutes Tuesday February 10, 2026

Mr. Wehri moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, The Putnam County Engineer advertised for said bids for Prestressed Concrete Box Beams (2026) and received said bids on the 29th day of January, 2026 at which time the bids were opened, publicly read, and tabled for further study,

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Engineer, Mike Lenhart sent a letter recommending that the contract for the Prestressed Concrete Box Beams (2026) be awarded to Prestressed Services Industries of Ohio, LLC, based on their total price bid read and unit price bids submitted at the bid opening.

now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that after review of bids received by the Putnam County Engineer, the Board of County Commissioners does hereby award the contract for the Prestressed Concrete Box Beams (2026), to Prestressed Services Industries of Ohio, LLC, based on their total price bid read and unit price bids submitted at the bid opening on January 29, 2026.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

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

For Auto License & Gas

2002-33-160-503001, Contract Services-Bridges.....\$ 240,000.00

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schlumbohm yes Mr. Wehri yes Mr. Brubaker yes
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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, 2026.

For Airport.....

From...1001-38-180-501100, Employee Comp...to....1001-38-180-503700,Bldgs & Liability Ins...\$ 12.00

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

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

Sheriff....to Stuntronics for bandit shield jai equipment for \$ 200.00.

...to Indiana SWAT for travel expenses for \$ 350.00.

E 911...to Right Stuff Software Corp for time & attendance annual licensing & support for \$ 3,600.00

Landfill Closure/Mnt...to Ottawa Corp for 2025 annual bulk leachate for \$ 6,830.00

Prosecutor....to Matrix Pointe Software for Feb-July invoice for \$ 7,875.00

County General...to Ottawa Feed & Grain for Dec supplies for \$ 71.52

Community Corrections....to StepMobile for software maintenance for \$ 8.16

...to National Test Systems for balance correction for \$.54

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

County General....Purchase order to Village Hardware for new miter saw & stand for \$609.96. Purchase order to Sedgewick for TPA Administration Services for 2026 for \$ 4,415.00. Blanket purchase order for paper & supplies for \$ 9,000.00. Blanket purchase order for Unifi viewports – upgrade to courthouse security cameras for \$ 1,500.00. Blanket purchase order for construction at Health dept for \$ 2,500.00.

Veteran Services....Travel request for Kyle Frias, Jon Balmer and Matt Prenzlin to attend the OSACVSO winter training in Dublin, OH on March 5-6, 2026 with expenses for mileage, lodging, meals, registration and other totaling \$ 1,225.93.

LEPC....Purchase order to Putnam Co EMA for 2026 services for \$ 15,000.00, Blanket purchase order for equipment for \$ 12,000.00.

Office of Public Safety....Purchase order to Lima Radio Hospital for 10 pagers for \$ 7,255.60.

Sheriff.... Travel request for Brent Meyers and Eric Van Wagner to attend the Legally confident tactically confident 2026 courses at Wright State in Celina on Feb 27, 2026 with expenses for

meals and other totaling \$ 128.00. Travel request for Kelly Iloff to attend the Indiana SWAT courses in Noblesville, IN on April 8-10, 2026 with expenses for registration, lodging, meals and other totaling \$ 1,070.00.

Auditor....Travel request for Bob Benroth to attend the NW Auditor's meeting in Lima OH on Feb 27, 2026 with expenses for registration totaling \$ 20.00.

Mr. Wehri 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

Maintenance Tim Schnipke and EMA Brian Hilvers met with Commissioners Schlumbohm, Wehri and Brubaker to discuss EMS construction building changes. Brian mentioned there are issues with the Ottoville squad having a dead battery after the building generator is tested every Monday since the squad is plugged in. Schnipke recommended testing the generator when it runs. The construction superintendent, Ross brought up an issue that requires bricks to be removed from the EMS building which is not included in the plans. The existing concrete pad is being reviewed for sufficient need for support. If the bricks are removed there will be another change order needed since replacing the brick will not match an approval from the state is being sought. The footages for the additional bay created another issue with approvals from the state with the increased column size needed for the extra bay. This is all due to the additional snow load on the roof. The mounting of the garage door controls were discussed whether they should be concealed or mounted on top it was recommended to follow the written plans, no changes. Cindy mentioned some additional charges on the soil borings above the original estimate. Some phone calls will be made to confirm the additional charges. Ross is great to work with. If Brian has any further concerns about the construction process he should bring them to the Commissioners so they can be addressed.

Tim and Aaron signed up for training for renewing the commercial certified spraying license. They will submit the costs for reimbursement.

The treasurer's office had some issues with opening their safe yesterday that they asked Tim to assist with.

Sheriff Brian Siefker, Mark Brecht, and Kelly Iloff met with Commissioners Schlumbohm, Wehri and Brubaker to discuss FLOC cameras. A FLOC camera sits along the highways to review license plates. The Sheriff is asking if opioid money could be used to purchase these cameras. They want to get three cameras for the county. If purchased before March the setup fees will be waived. Surrounding counties already have some. Defiance has one along SR 15. This would not be used for speeding, it can be programmed to look for certain vehicles by color, model, and plate. The proposed locations of the cameras were discussed. These cameras can be moved. Road 21 is a target area as that is a path for avoiding the main highways. There is an app that

will notify the users if a vehicle that is being sought is viewed on any of the cameras in any of the counties using the cameras. The Commissioners would like to wait to see what happens with the property taxes this year before making any big purchases. Otherwise they are in favor. The organization that is opposing the property taxes will not disclose how many signatures they have to put the issue on the ballot.

Commissioners called PSI Inc on the additional charges for the soil boring and testing. There was an additional agreement for \$ 12,390, that was signed in June of 2025 to confirm the charges. A copy of the signed agreement was sent to Cindy.

Commissioners Wehri, Schlumbohm and Brubaker called Steve at Touchstone to confirm information on two change orders that were submitted today. A call may be made to Technicon also to confirm these are needed since there is nothing out of the ground yet.

Commissioners Wehri, Schlumbohm and Brubaker called Kevin Niese & Kevin Wischmeyer at Technicon to discuss the change orders that were submitted this morning. Why is there a change to move doors that are not installed yet? The piers will have to be downsized and moved so the doors will open fully. More concrete will be needed for the door clearance as well. The Commissioners want a better explanation for reasoning for these additional charges. No paperwork for the 6" increase in the footers has been received. This may not be charged since it is not significant to get the project moving. The electrical changes were questioned as well. Tamper resistant receptacles are being added to the project due to them being needed on other projects, which increases the cost per receptacle by \$1,700. A location of the transfer switch for the generator was another change. The switch is \$3,200. The pole lights were modified as well. A disconnect was also added with the transfer switch.

The business agenda was held with Commissioners Brubaker, Wehri and Schlumbohm, & Cindy Landwehr, Clerk. Justin Barnhart sat in on the agenda.

The minutes from Thursday, February 5, 2026 were reviewed and approved.

Rob Fawcett stopped in to see if the Commissioners needed anything insurance wise. Everything is good for now.

Job & Family Services Director John Folk and Michelle Schumaker with Children Services met with Commissioners Schlumbohm, Wehri and Brubaker to discuss JFS updates. Michelle has been with the agency for 11 years and has been a supervisor since 2019. Michelle explained the referral/call process for children services reporting. They follow the guidelines set by the state. Any safety concerns are addressed with the family and arrangements are made if needed to get the children relocated to a safe location. If there are no immediate family relatives or anyone who is a close relationship can be used for relocation, a close friend or neighbor. Temporary foster care is available. There is a lack of foster parents overall not just in Putnam County. If safety concerns no longer exist the case can be closed. What is the time frame for an immediate court order to relocate the children? It is usually within a few hours. Within 72 hours there needs to be a court hearing for the parents/family to have custody. Long term care can be provided through the Kinship program. There are fellowships available for college students to learn skills to work with the agency. There are students from BGSU who are currently in the fellowship program and getting experience for a future job. Hopefully they decide to stay with Putnam County. The Commissioners are interested in the programs and want to hear how they

are doing what the process is. They appreciate Michelle's service and her coming to share her job.

John proceeded with his update, all positions are currently filled. The assistance totals for 2025 were reviewed. They are still working on getting the fraud unit up and running. Workforce and Ohio Means Job has a new referral program for those coming out of employment to get them back into new employment to assist with training, work wear and child care. On the job skills training is provided to learn skills to put on a resume. Nonemergency medical transportation, the Commissioners have not had any new complaints. John said they did find some discrepancies in the reimbursement calculations which are being corrected. Van Wert JFS contacted Putnam regarding losing their fiscal officer and has asked Putnam for help in training and running their fiscal department. Putnam would get reimbursed for any expenses. Are the commissioners interested in entering a contract with Van Wert? Three days per month would be required. The Commissioners do not want to stress Putnam's employees out over an indefinite term. Van Wert's department may be redistributed for workflow and easier training. The Commissioner would like to know a term. Van Wert county will be billed and Putnam will be reimbursed. The number one concern is to keep Putnam functioning efficiently. A contract will be written for the Commissioners to review. Is the maintenance truck being used? John does drive it but it may go to the auction this year.

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to go into executive session at 11:56am to discuss Mr. Folk's continued employment with Mr. Folk and Commissioners Wehri and Brubaker.

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

Vote Schlumbohm yes Wehri yes Brubaker yes

Commissioners went back on record at 12:15pm. No decisions were made.

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to adjourn for the day.

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

Vote: Schlumbohm yes Wehri yes Brubaker yes

Commissioners Brubaker and Wehri attended the America 250 committee meeting on Wednesday Feb 11 at 1pm.

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to approve the minutes as read from Tuesday, February 10, 2026.

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

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