

## **Minutes Tuesday January 27, 2026**

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to approve signing the Lease Agreement between Board of Putnam County Commissioners and O-G Character Academy (Lifewise) for leasing space at the Putnam County Ag Complex starting January 1, 2026 at a rate of \$50.00 per month.

Mr. Brubaker                      seconded the motion.

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

Mr. Brubaker       moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

**WHEREAS**, The CCAO Service Corporation (CCAOSC) a subsidiary of Palmer Energy Company and Putnam County Board of Commissioners are in a Participation Agreement regarding various energy aggregate purchasing programs;

and

**WHEREAS**, Putnam County has decided to join the CCAOSC Electricity and Gas Purchasing program; now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, The Board of Putnam County Commissioners does hereby agree to recertify to be in the Aggregate Energy Purchasing Programs between the CCAOSC, and the Putnam County Commissioners.

Mr. Schlumbohm                      seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schlumbohm yes   Mr. Wehri   absent   Mr. Brubaker   yes  
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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, 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 001, County General

1001-38-010-506003, Contingencies/Misc ...\$ 22,000.00

(for 2026 Hazard Mitigation Plan)

Mr. Brubaker                      seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schlumbohm yes Mr. Wehri absent Mr. Brubaker yes  
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Mr. Schlumbohm moved to approve a Change Order for the Taxiway Sitework Construction done by Ward Construction with an increase in cost of \$ 445.00 making the new construction total \$ 193,726.00.

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

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

Mr. Schlumbohm moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

**WHEREAS**, Putnam County joined the West Central Ohio Rural Transportation Planning Committee, (WORPO) June 30, 2022. WORPO is an organization that identifies local transportation need, conducts planning, assists local governments, and supports the statewide transportation planning process in nonmetropolitan regions of the State.  
and

**WHEREAS**, The WORPO Committee is comprised of 2 local elected officials and a County Subcommittee. The County Subcommittee is comprised of a Commissioners' Designee, County Engineer, largest city/village representative, a full WORPO membership representative and additional county subcommittee members.

and

**WHEREAS**, this committee is responsible to create public involvement, ensure Title VI and environmental justice and guide regional investment in transportation.

and

**WHEREAS**, due to some changes in personnel new members must be named.

now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, The following are members of WORPO Committee and County Subcommittee:

**Rural Planning Committee :**

**Name**

**Position**

Brad Brubaker	Commissioners' Chairman
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Tim Wehri	Commissioners' Vice Chair
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**County Subcommittee members:**

Darren Schimmoller	Commissioners' Designee
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Michael Lenhart	County Engineer
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Kyle Stechschulte	Largest City/Village Representative
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John Schlumbohm	Commissioner, Member
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Amy Sealts	CIC Director
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Jodi Warnecke	Council on Aging
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Brian Hilvers	Director of Public Safety
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Kelly Iliff	Sheriff Deputy, Road Patrol
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Brian Siefker	Sheriff
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Roger Niese	Township Trustee Representative
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Curt Croy	Citizen representative
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Nolan Croy	Planning Commission
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Jeff Duling	Local Farmer
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Ron Miller

Village Mayor

Greg Bockrath

Local Businessman

Rod Nuveman

ODOT District Representative

and be it further

**RESOLVED**, Michael Lenhart, Engineer has been nominated as the 3<sup>rd</sup> member to represent Putnam County at the regional level.

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

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

**Office of Public Safety.....**to T-Mobile for phones & modems for \$1,807.26

To Huggins Auto Parts for Vehicel maintenance for \$ 5,622.96

To Great Lakes Billing for contract billing from Dec For \$ 15,632.62

To Bell Auto Supply for stock/20 for \$ 56.63

To Braun Industries for payment on account for\$ 915.04

To Emergency Management Assn Of Ohio for EMAO Director dues for \$ 350.00

To AEP for Dec Usage for \$ 1,114.31

To Glandorf Utilities for water/Sewer at house for \$ 182.40

To US Bank Voyage fleet for Dec fuel for \$ 1,590.91

...to Zoll Data Systems for Jan EMS charts for \$ 469.34

...to Dave Winslow for reimbursement of boots for \$ 149.99

**Common Pleas...**to B & C Blinds for courtroom renovations for \$ 6,441.00

...To Halker Drywall for courtroom renovations for \$ 36,600.00

...to Halker Drywall for courtroom renovations for \$ 13,400.00

**Board of Elections...**to Postmaster for BOE PO box for 2026 for \$ 198.00

**Clerk of Courts...**to Ross Sutherland for interpreter services Jan for \$ 166.40

...to Hachemy Gabriel for interpreter services Dec for \$ 210.80

**E-911...**to Lima Radio Hospital for service call mible radio firmware update for\$ 171.88

**County Airport...** to AEP for Dec Usage for\$ 468.05

...to Ag Pro for late fees for \$ 8.75

**Engineer....**to Precision Laser & Forming for tubing for Trk#14 for \$ 400.00

**Capital Improvement...**to PSI for soil testing/set up & trip charges/report reviews for \$ 2667.50

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

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

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

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

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### **Purchase orders & Travel Requests**

**Capital Improvement....**Purchase order to Technicon Design Group for change order for EMS building addition for \$ 5,100.00.

**Office of Public Safety...**Purchase order to Kalida Glandorf Fiber for internet/phone/cable for Dec for \$ 356.54. Purchase order to Zoll Medical Corp for disposable care supplies Dec for \$ 1,875.00. Purchase order to Zoll Medical Corp for Reusable Patient cable for \$ 653.40.

**County General....**Purchase order to CLCCA for 2026 County Loss Control Coordinators dues for \$ 125.00. Purchase order to Blanchard River Watershed for 2026 annual contribution for \$ 2,000.00. Purchase order to Michael Baker International for 2026 Hazard Mitigation Plan for \$ 22,500.00. Purchase order to Kalida Truck for liftgate for maintenance truck for \$ 5,900.00. Purchase order to LH Doors Sales for 2 new overhead doors at Ag Complex for \$ 3,600.00.

**Sheriff.....**Travel request for Rusty Lammers to attend the Breacher Courses at Norse Tactical in Kokomo, IN on Feb 26-27,2026 with expenses for lodging, meals and other totaling \$ 430.00.

**Board of Elections ...**Travel request for Kathy & Karen to attend the Ballot Sync training in Allen County on Jan27, 2026 with expenses for mileage totaling \$ 28.80.

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

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

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

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

### **Purchase order Adjustments**

**County General...**addt'l needed or Enbridge for Dec usage for courthouse for \$888.74

Addt'l needed for Put Co Treasurer for real taxes & assessments for \$ 1,500.00

Mr. Brubaker moved to approve the purchase orders adjustments.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

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

Commissioners Schlumbohm and Brubaker & Alaina Siefker had a phone call with Alexander Young at the Ohio EPA to discuss an operator of record for sewer. Alexander said he just wanted to check who the Operator of Record is for us and that we should have one but they do not enforce it. Commissioner Schlumbohm said we don't have a specific named person but all of our districts go through the Village of Ottawa. Our maintenance team does the work and maintaining them and if they need any help or questions on anything they work with the Village employees.

Alaina Siefker met with Commissioners Schlumbohm and Brubaker to discuss the wellness program for 2026. Alaina got the incentive form from CEBCO where they wanted to see what the commissioners want to make required for the 2026 program and what the incentives will be. She gave them the wellness grant agreement and the Healthworks contracts for their review and signature by one. Commissioners Brubaker and Schlumbohm both want to keep the incentive the same as last year for the \$200 gas card for employees and spouses that get the blood draw done. Alaina said Healthworks still has a partnership with Anthem so we could have them do the blood draw again for us. The commissioners want to do this again this coming year just like they did last year with paying for the mileage for Healthworks to come and do the blood draws. The commissioners would also like to have the county pay for the TSH and PSA tests for those that meet that age requirement just like last year. We would like to keep the two places for the blood draws; the Courthouse Assembly Room and the Sheriff's Office. We will be keeping the date to be employed yet with us to get the card as the end of June.

Mr. Schlumbohm motioned to keep the wellness program the same as last year in all regards. Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

Vote: Schlumbohm yes Wehri absent Brubaker yes

Amy Hoffman with Palmer Energy met with Commissioners Schlumbohm and Brubaker to discuss the county PUCO (Public Utilities Commissioner of Ohio) recertification. The individual entities are coming up for renewal in the aggregate program. The last time it was only renewal for one year. The rates have improved so there will be a savings. Amy explained the recertification schedules. The rates are very volatile right now. Pricing will go out in late spring or early summer. The gas market is up right now. With the cold weather it won't be coming down just yet. There are introductory rates with rebates being offered on electric but those will go up. Hedges have been put in about 6 weeks ago at 3.78 and market is at 5 right now. When the weather warms up the market will go back down. The cold blast we are having now are creating the highs now. Every few years the county must recertify to participate in the aggregate program. The Commissioners have agreed to recertify in the aggregate program and will be passing a resolution on today's business agenda. Amy will be contacting the villages and large companies to see if they are interested in joining the aggregate programs.

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

The minutes from Thursday, January 22, 2026 were reviewed and approved.

Commissioners Brubaker and Schlumbohm met with the Landbank Board for their meeting.

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to adjourn for lunch.

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

Vote: Schlumbohm yes Wehri absent Brubaker yes

Mr. Brubaker moved to approve the minutes as read from Tuesday, January 27, 2026.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

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