

Minutes Thursday February 26, 2026

Mr. Brubaker moved to approve signing the RFP #003 for the EMS building addition for revised electrical drawings to increase the cost by \$ 7,478.90.

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

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

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 008, Capital Improvements

4008-40-010-503000, Contracts Projects.....\$ 5,280,000.00

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schlumbohm absent 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:

Fund 002, Auto License & Gas

2002-33-160-503001, Contracts, Services-Bridges.....\$40,000.00

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schlumbohm absent Mr. Wehri yes Mr. Brubaker yes
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Mr. Wehri moved to approve signing the uniform agreement with Cintas for the maintenance staff for a term of 60 months.

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

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

Then and Now Payments

County Airport...to ANYAWOS for weather nexus services Jan-Mar for \$ 267.00.

CDBG...to Great Lakes Comm Action for Admin Costs CHIP/FLEX for \$ 4,325.00.

Sheriff....to Columbus SCUBA for dive adv open water for\$ 399.00.

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

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

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

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

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Purchase orders & Travel Requests

Sheriff....Travel request for Deputies Van Wagner, Troyer, and Bowers to attend the Exterior response to Active Shooter Events course in Perrysburg, OH on July 20-24, 2026 with expenses for meals and other totaling \$ 700.00. Travel request for Chris Verhoff to attend the Advanced Open Waters course at Gilboa Quarry May 16-17, 2026 with expenses for registration totaling \$ 399.00.

Capital Improvement.....Purchase order to Touchstone CPM, Inc for construction of EMA building addition for \$ 5,867,955.85.

Dog & Kennel.....Purchase order to Lakeside Propane for 2026 propane for dog shelter for \$ 1,200.00

Office of Public Safety...Purchase order to Marbee Printing & Graphic Art for Emergency Response Plan Books for \$ 3,950.00.

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

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

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

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

Purchase order Adjustments

County General.....add'l needed to Maximus for 2026 cost allocation plan for \$ 250.00.

...Addt'l needed for Enbridge due to cold weather for county bldgs. For \$ 12,000 and for Ag Complex for\$ 6,000.& O-G Rd Complex for \$ 5,000.00

Mr. Brubaker moved to approve the purchase orders adjustments.

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

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

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

Martin and Bryan Kuhlman stopped in to talk with Commissioners Wehri and Brubaker regarding ditch projects and which landowner gets and pays for the debris and sediment that is dipped out of the ditch and leveling of the dirt depending where the ditch is located in regard to the property lines and roads.

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

The minutes from Tuesday, February 24, 2026 were reviewed and approved.

Bob Benroth stopped in to talk with Commissioners Wehri and Brubaker, they discussed the county sales tax rates compared to surrounding counties. Putnam County is below the maximum rate allowable by the State. The County did not collect the inside millage from the real estate collection last year. The other portions of sales tax were discussed. This information will be given to WLIO.

Pearl Lewandowski of WLIO came to do an interview with Commissioner Brubaker regarding the county's sales tax rate.

Mr. Brubaker moved to adjourn for lunch.

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

Vote: Schlumbohm absent Wehri yes Brubaker yes

Commissioners Wehri and Brubaker returned from lunch.

Duane Niese from Ottawa came in to speak to Commissioners Wehri and Brubaker about the village and the village employees damaging his property. Mr. Niese is having issues dealing with the Mayor, Administrator and other village employees. Mr. Niese has tried to meet with the village over other issues and was taken off the list for the council meeting. Mr. Niese did have the mayor come and view his property and was told because of past issues they would not work with him for repairs. Mr. Niese was referred to seek legal counsel for his issues with the village. Mr. Niese feels he is a senior citizen who is getting mistreated by the village. It was asked if Mr. Niese contacted the Sheriff's office, he said he feels if he would contact them he would be referred back to the village. The property damage is minor but the fact that they will not deal or meet with him is frustrating to him. Who does the village officials report to? Who can he talk to, to get assistance? Crime Victim Services was given as an option to be a mediator between him and the village.

Bob Benroth brought in Derrick Marrin a candidate running for congress 9th district seat who stopped in to meet Commissioners Wehri and Brubaker.

Mr. Wehri moved to adjourn for the day.

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

Vote: Schlumbohm absent Wehri yes Brubaker yes

Mr. Wehri moved to approve the minutes as read from Thursday, February 26, 2026.

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

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

