

Minutes Tuesday April 21, 2026

Mr. Wehri moved to approve signing the Putnam County EMS Administrative Leave Policy.

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:

Fund 001

For Board of Elections

1001-30-190-50600, Other Expenses.....\$ 10,000.00

Mr. Wehri 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:

WHEREAS, The Board has received requests from Veteran Service Commission for approval of travel expenses for the month of April 2026.

- April 21 -Medical Transport
- April 22 -Medical Transport
- April-23 -Medical Transport

now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUTNAM COUNTY, OHIO, hereby approve payment of the expenses per the attached list in accordance with Section 325.20 of the Ohio Revised Code and authorizes the Auditor to issue warrants per attached list upon receipt of invoices.

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, 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 138, Landfill Closure/Maintenance

4138-30-010-502200, Landfill Workers Comp.....\$ 18.42

Fund 2018, General Ditch

2018-40-290-502200, Ditch Workers Comp.....\$ 26.39

Fund 2005, Dog & Kennel

2005-34-220-502200, Dog Warden Workers Comp.....\$ 590.59

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

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

Solid Waste Dist Disp Fees.....to OALPRP for 2026 membership dues for \$ 100.00

County General...to Matijevich Floor Covering for carpet repairs for \$ 52.98

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

Mr. Brubaker 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

Sheriff.....Travel request for Mark Brecht, Staci Schroeder, Aaron Geisige and Brian Siefker to attend Legal Liability & Risk Management Training IN Deadwood, SD May 3-9, 2026 with expenses for registration, lodging, flights and other totaling \$ 7,000.00.

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 Mr. Wehri Mr. Brubaker

Purchase order Adjustments

County General....addt'l needed for 2026 postage supplies of \$600.00.

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to approve the purchase orders adjustments.

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

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

Commissioners Wehri and Brubaker left to go to the Putnam County ESC for the No Wrong Door Conference.

Commissioners Wehri and Brubaker returned to the office from the conference.

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

Commissioners Schlumbohm, Wehri, and Brubaker held a discussion with Alaina Siefker to review a letter they are composing to send to the sewer districts. The Commissioners requested the Village of Ottawa to put them on the next council meeting to discuss the pre-annexation agreement sample that Kyle Stechschulte emailed over and to clarify some information on the sewer districts. It was requested to add to the letter the income tax info, re-fabrications of a current Village lift station & pricing, and info on grants. It was also to mention that the numbers are from the Village and the Commissioners.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by the Commissioners, Joe Burkhart, Brian Hilvers, Kyle Hashbarger, Tim Schnipke and Cindy Landwehr.

IT Supervisor Joe Burkhart, Brian Hilvers, Kyle Hashbarger and Tim Schnipke met with Commissioners Schlumbohm, Wehri, and Brubaker to discuss IT personnel job descriptions & the IT for the EMS Building like switches, cables, racks, and cameras. Joe shared a listing of the equipment that would be needed, this is a working document. The wiring will be done by county staff. There will be j-hooks installed. This includes the racks, switches, and outlets. The camera points were explained. There will be one in the exercise room and drug rooms as well. Some vendors have been chosen due to pricing. The dorm rooms will have cabling for TV's, the TV's can be purchased by the staff or they can bring in their own personal TV. There will be hours for being in the rooms. Notes from WD Miller have not been reviewed recently, to view where the wire will be located. Most modern TVs are wireless. Extra phones can be added as needed. Viewers for the security can be added as well. This will be on the same system as the Sheriff office. Labor for running the cable will be adjusted based on what can be done by county staff. The current office doors can have blank plates (push plates) placed on them to cover them. Can the office doors be done now? The system can be done partially and everything will be run back to the same switch. Grand total is about \$95,000+, electronics prices have gone up in the past few months. A blanket purchase order for \$120,000 was requested for all of this to make it simpler. Door access and security process was explained. Employee codes can be added or deleted based on employment status to have more control over the system. The wiring can be

done in the existing building. Tim Schnipke stated more ceiling tile will be needed to do these installations and to repair ones that are already damaged.

Mr. Brubaker moved to go into executive session to discuss employee position descriptions and employee compensation.

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion

Vote Schlumbohm yes Wehri yes Brubaker yes

Commissioners went back on record. No decisions were made.

The minutes from Thursday, April 16, 2026 were reviewed and approved.

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to adjourn for lunch.

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

Vote: Schlumbohm yes Wehri yes Brubaker yes

Commissioners Schlumbohm, Brubaker and Wehri returned from lunch.

CCAO Ali Redmond & UIS Ins. Rob Fawcett met with Commissioners Schlumbohm, Brubaker and Wehri to discuss the CORSA liability insurance renewal for the county. The new transport services provided by Veteran Service Commission was brought up to set up procedures, which can be similar to the Office of Public safety and their ambulance services. The services available through CORSA were discussed and explained. The current premium cost was reviewed. The changes in rates were discussed. Property values have gone up as well as the rates. The county is getting better at documenting the vehicles. Inflation is the main reason for the increase not claims. The county has received 100% of the Loss Control Incentive to help reduce expenses. The number of drones on the insurance was questioned by the Commissioners. There are three insured. And the bridge that was closed was dropped from the insurance, since it is reopened it should be readded to insurance for the original amount. Signage is posted for the allowable bridge limit and hopefully people will follow the limits. The current deductible is \$10,000. The claims have been good this past year. The largest number of claims are from the EMS and Sheriff's offices. Some insurance history for the county was reviewed. UIS also provided a stewardship report to grade them. The Library did have some wind damage recently and a claim has been filed. A roof replacement has been requested. Ali explained the dividend received back from CORSA, rather than putting it forward services. There are grants available again in Cyber security and Law Enforcement, and the county has used those in the past. There are changes in the cybersecurity. Insurance carriers are requiring more from the members to even be covered such as multi factor authentication. CORSA developed a tier program for ransom or extortion claims. All departments need to have the requirements met to qualify for the tier one level. A report of which departments are deficient will be submitted and reviewed.

Commissioner Schlumbohm left for the day.

Commissioners Wehri and Brubaker met with Nick Verhoff at the Educational Service Center to inform them of a possible new school program within the county involving all nine school districts.

Mr. Wehri moved to adjourn for the day.

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

Vote: Schlumbohm absent Wehri yes Brubaker yes

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to approve the minutes as read from Tuesday, April 21, 2026.

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

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