

Minutes, Tuesday April 28, 2026

Mr. Wehri moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, The Board of Putnam County Commissioners received a request from Brian Hilvers, Putnam County Office of Public Safety Director to authorize him to file with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) for licensure for EMS Personnel to administer controlled substances, due to new federal regulations under the Protecting Patient Access to Emergency Medications Act, effective March 9, 2026.

WHEREAS, The Putnam County Emergency Medical Services (EMS) is responsible for providing advanced life support and emergency medical care to the residents of Putnam County; and

WHEREAS, the DEA regulations are requiring EMS agencies that are not hospital-based to obtain their own DEA registration to possess, administer, and manage controlled substances; and

WHEREAS, these regulations establish EMS agencies as a distinct DEA registrant category and place responsibility on the agency for proper storage, security, recordkeeping, and accountability of controlled substances; and

WHEREAS, obtaining a DEA registration will allow Putnam County EMS to directly procure, store, and distribute controlled substances to its units, improving operational efficiency, compliance and patient care delivery; and now therefore be it,

RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Putnam, Ohio, Brian Hilvers is authorized to submit an application for DEA licensure to possess, administer, and manage the controlled substances need for efficient emergency patient care; and

be it further, RESOLVED, Brian Hilvers, Putnam County Office of Public Safety Director does agree to ensure compliance, medical oversight, and serve as the responsible officer to complete the application and renewals, develop and implement a policy and agrees that the EMS operating funds will pay any registration fees unless waived under federal provisions.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schlumbohm yes Mr. Wehri yes 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 120, Office of Public Safety
5120-65-110-502200, EMS Workers Comp.....\$ 20,632.23

Mr. Brubaker 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:

WHEREAS, WHEREAS, Sealed bids were opened on April 2, 2026 for the construction of T-Hangars with box hangers at the Putnam County Airport.

and

WHEREAS, The following bids were received:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Bid Bond</u>	<u>Alt 1</u>	<u>Alt 2</u>
Schimmoeller Const	included	\$1,133,429.50	\$1,051,509.50
Helms Const	included	\$1,044,945.50	\$1,089,950.00
Rupp-Rosebrock, Inc	included	\$1,162,000.00	\$1,260,000.00

now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, After a review of the bids by the engineer, Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, Inc., and upon their recommendation, the Board of County Commissioners does hereby award the bid to Schimmoeller Construction, based on the Alt 2 bid in the amount of \$1,051,509.50.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schlumbohm yes Mr. Wehri yes Mr. Brubaker yes
Comm. Jrl. 122, Page 218

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 053, Domestic Violence Shelter

2053-32-080-506000, Divorces, Annulments\$ 2,304.00

Mr. Brubaker 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:

WHEREAS, The State of Ohio makes available funds to assist public transportation systems in Ohio.

and

WHEREAS, It is the intent of the Putnam County Airport Authority to apply to the Department of Transportation Division of Aviation for improvement grant funds in order to complete the Runway Rehab Slurry Seal project at the Putnam County Airport.

now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The Board of County Commissioners does hereby authorize the president of the Putnam County Airport Authority to authorize and direct to file an application and execute contracts with the Ohio Department of Transportation Division of Aviation on behalf of the Putnam County Airport Authority for improvements at the Putnam County Airport.

and be it further

RESOLVED, The Board of County Commissioners does hereby agree that the Putnam County Airport has sufficient funds available for the portion which will not be paid by Department of Transportation, and the required local funding has been appropriated.

and be it further

RESOLVED, That this resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schlumbohm yes Mr. Wehri yes Mr. Brubaker yes
Comm. Jrl. 122, Page 220

Mr. Schlumbohm moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, The State of Ohio makes available funds to assist public transportation systems in Ohio.

and

WHEREAS, It is the intent of the Putnam County Airport Authority to apply to the Department of Transportation Division of Aviation for improvement grant funds in order to complete the Fuel Tank Replacement project at the Putnam County Airport.

now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The Board of County Commissioners does hereby authorize the president of the Putnam County Airport Authority to authorize and direct to file an application and execute contracts with the Ohio Department of Transportation Division of Aviation on behalf of the Putnam County Airport Authority for improvements at the Putnam County Airport.
and be it further

RESOLVED, The Board of County Commissioners does hereby agree that the Putnam County Airport has sufficient funds available for the portion which will not be paid by Department of Transportation, and the required local funding has been appropriated.
and be it further

RESOLVED, That this resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schlumbohm yes Mr. Wehri yes Mr. Brubaker yes
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Mr. Schlumbohm moved to sign the Grant Contract for 2026 Ohio Airport Improvement Program Matching Grant for General Aviation Airport between Putnam County Airport Authority and Putnam County Commissioners and ODOT Office of Aviation.

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

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

Mr. Schlumbohm moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, The Board of County Commissioners entered into a Capital Improvements Agreement with Aurora Solar, LLC on March 12, 2020.
and

WHEREAS, In this agreement it is stated that the County shall establish an "Alternative Energy Capital Improvement Fund."
and

WHEREAS, the Putnam County desires to formally confirm and record the existence of this Capital Improvement Fund for the purpose of receiving, holding, and disbursing infrastructure contributions in accordance with applicable laws, regulations, and program guidelines;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Putnam, Ohio that:

1. The Capital Improvement Fund for the Aurora Solar, LLC PILOT Payments is hereby confirmed as an established and active fund within the financial accounts of Putnam County.
2. The Fund shall be used for the receipt of infrastructure contributions made under the PILOT Program, and expenditures of Capital Improvements as indicated in the Capital Improvement Agreement.
3. All contributions shall be deposited into the Fund and disbursed only for approved capital improvement projects, as authorized by the Putnam County Commissioners or its designated officials.
4. The Putnam County Auditor is authorized and directed to maintain accurate records of all receipts, expenditures, and balances of the Fund, and to provide periodic reports to the Putnam County Commissioners.

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schlumbohm yes Mr. Wehri yes Mr. Brubaker yes
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Mr. Schlumbohm moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the Ohio Department of Development allocated approximately \$2,000,000 for the PY2025 Ohio Small Cities Community Development Program, Flexible Grant Program and the County was successful with this application on behalf of the Village of Leipsic, and

WHEREAS the CDBG Flexible Grant Downtown Buildings Program provides communities with a means to fund worthwhile downtown building rehabilitation projects and qualify under the national objective of the elimination of slum and blight conditions, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners, Putnam County, State of Ohio, as follows:

SECTION 1. That the President is hereby authorized to provide \$59,279.57 in CDBG Flexible Grant Funds to Ms. Benton so she may enter into a total contract of \$61,748.57 with Elevated Roofing and Siding for a new roof, including insulation and gutters, at 133-135 E. Main Street, Leipsic.

SECTION 2. This Board finds and determines that all formal actions of the Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board and that all

deliberations of this Board that resulted in those formal actions were in a meeting open to the public in compliance with the law.

SECTION 3. That this resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately after passage.

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schlumbohm yes Mr. Wehri yes 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 County, Ohio, that the following appropriation modification be made for the year ending December 31, 2026.

For Treasurer...

From....1001-30-030-501100, Treasurer Emp Compensation.....to...2051-30-030-502200, Treasurer Workers Comp.....\$ 50.01

Mr. Brubaker 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 018, General Ditch

2018-40-290-503000, Contracts-Services.....\$ 2,500.00

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schlumbohm yes Mr. Wehri yes Mr. Brubaker yes
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Mr. Schlumbohm moved to sign the Easement an Right of Way for electric service for the Office of Public Safety.

Mr. Brubaker 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:

WHEREAS, a request has been received to change the name of an appropriation line for Recorder Preservation Expenses and

WHEREAS, The Board of County Commissioners deems it appropriate to change the name of the appropriation line for Fund 001, County General.

now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The Board of County Commissioners does hereby request the Putnam County Auditor to change the appropriation line item as follows:

1001-30-040-504100. Microfilm Recorder..to.... Preservation Exp.-Recorder

Mr. Brubaker 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 29 -Medical Transport Lima, OH

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. Wehri seconded the motion.

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

County General.....to CORSA for 2026/2027 renewal for \$ 242,252.00.

E-911...to Put Co Commissioners for coast allocation payment for \$ 30,626.00

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

County General.....Purchase order to Put Co Engineer for dump truck for \$ 22,000.00.

Purchase order to Michael Baker International for Hazard Mitigation Plan payment of \$ 11,250.00

Ditch Maintenance.....Purchase order to J & M Excavating for work on the Askins Dt # 823 for \$ 4,622.66

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

General Ditchaddt'l needed to ADJ Excavating for change order on Kreinbrink Dt # 1000 for \$ 2,846.17.

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to approve the purchase orders adjustments.

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

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

Maintenance Tim Schnipke came in and asked Commissioners Wehri, Schlumbohm and Brubaker to go out to the corner of the lot by where the work is being done for the village to look at the concrete by the corner.

Board of Elections (BOE) Board Member Kurt Sahloff met with Commissioners Wehri, Schlumbohm and Brubaker to give updates on election. Kurt presented a bill for \$33,394.00 for the licensing for the poll pads to give the Commissioners an idea of what kind of expense they have and the reasons for consolidating polling locations. He also shared a spreading sheet showing the registered and active voters in each precinct. The early voter number were very geographical as to the proximity to Glandorf. As of yesterday, there were 1,080 early voters. The nursing home ballots were discussed. It was asked if the resident have to request a ballot. Putnam County was called out at the CCAO conference that they had the highest percentage of voters turn out for voting in an election. Are we going to get to 10% early voters? When people complain about having their voting location moved, he wanted to inform the Commissioners. Eventually it could be that you could vote anywhere within your county similar to Indiana. The

equipment allocation by voting location was reviewed. The machines/pads are allocated based on the number of voters at the polling location. The maintenance fees on the poll pads are \$100 each. The goal is to keep people moving and avoid them waiting in lines by having enough equipment at the location.

Commissioners asked Kurt about his opinion on the sewer district issue. Ottawa's taxes were discussed.

Madison Sheahan met with Commissioners Wehri, Schlumbohm and Brubaker to introduce herself to them. Tony Schroeder and Garret Arnold joined her. She is running for Congress in Ohio's 9th District. Tony talked about the voting numbers also. Madison appreciates the opportunity to meet with the local officials. She has served many roles and made sure everyone had the resources they have needed. She wants to make sure the focus is on more than just Toledo but all of Northwest Ohio. The more local the office, the harder it is. She wants to work for us not against us, unlike Marcy Kaptur. All of the projects are important not just Toledo. Madison was a college athlete she was rower in college at OSU and was as FFA state officer. The changes in the Democratic mindset over the years was discussed. The labor unions are voting Republican now. The Democratic view now has changed Marcy Kaptur as a person. How are tariffs affecting this county? It has increased prices. Trust and patience are needed to see if this will turn things around. Men and women sports were discussed that it is common sense that men and women should be separated in sports. Term limits are needed, the fact that someone has been here for 43 years is insane. There are no term limits for Commissioners. The lobbyists are the consistent factor, when the elected officials move on. The successor is usually picked before they leave. The county has moved from being majority Democrat to Republican since the 1970-80's. The visit from Ronald Reagan in the 80's was discussed. The railroad lines and were they go were discussed. Putnam County is a crossroads for the rail system. Fiscal conservatism fits Putnam County to a tee. Putnam County has no debt. Madison explained being ICE during a government shutdown, most of the employees who were not there during shut down did not need to be there to begin with. The same amount of work was being done with half the people there. The people who solve the problem make it so they are needed to keep solving it and not fixing it. A lot of the money is being shoved into entities that people are not aware of, Congress needs to have a firm hand to move the money to where it is needed. The federal government must be shrunk in a way that it makes sense. Madison is from Curtice, Ohio on the Ottawa and Lucas County line. Madison appreciated to meet with the Commissioners.

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

The minutes from Thursday, April 23, 2026 were reviewed and approved.

Commissioners Wehri, Schlumbohm and Brubaker held teleconference with Jeff Vance from Columbus Grove asking about the Village sewer treatment and if there is a minimum number of hours needed. Jeff did not think so but he will check with Glandorf village who does collection only. He will get back with the Commissioners.

Mr. Brubaker moved to adjourn for lunch.

Mr. Wehri seconded the motion.

Vote: Schlumbohm yes Wehri yes Brubaker yes

Commissioners Schlumbohm, Wehri and Brubaker went to view the current Ottawa Garage location of Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) on 11th Street.

Commissioner Schlumbohm left for the day.

Commissioners Wehri and Brubaker returned to the office.

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 Tuesday, April 28, 2026.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

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