

Minutes Tuesday June 16, 2026

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 Office of Public Safety

From...5120-66-110-505000, Vehicle Repairs.....to....5120-68-110-504000, Disp Care Supplies.....\$20,000.00

Mr. Brubaker 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 1001 For Common Pleas

1001-31-060-502300, Common Pleas Hospitalization.....\$ 22,000.00

Fund 2149 Special Projects Common Pleas

2149-31-060-506000, Common Pleas Special Projects\$ 2,500.00

Fund 2109, Special Projects Probate

2109-35-080-506000, Special Projects\$ 5,000.00

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

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

WHEREAS, pursuant to Title IV-D of the Social Security Act; ORC §3125.13; and §3125.14; and Rule 5101:12-10-45, and its supplemental rules of the Ohio Administrative Code, the Board is authorized to enter into IV-D Services on behalf of the Putnam County Department of Job and Family Services;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Commissioners, on behalf of the Putnam County Department of Job and Family Services, hereby enter into the attached IV-D contract for IV-D legal services. Said contract reimbursement amount of \$25,521.02 unless otherwise amended by mutual agreement. The IV-D contract shall commence on July 1, 2026 and end June 30, 2027.

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 County, Ohio, that the following appropriation modification be made for the year ending December 31, 2026.

Juvenile Court

From... 1001-31-070-502300, Juvenile Crt Hospitalization.....to... 1001-31-070-506000, Juvenile Crt Other Expenses.....\$ 5,000.00

Mr. Brubaker 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:

WHEREAS, The terms of members Jeff Giesige and Michael Lenhart of the Putnam County Planning Commission have expired. Jeff Giesige will be replace by Sarah Rieman to be the Soil & Water representative, and Michael Lenhart will be renewed for another three year term. And

WHEREAS, Dave Aromino will be replaced by Beth Skulina, Putnam County Health Dept. to complete the term ending in 2028. Don Croy will be replaced by Derek Heitzman for the Township Assoc Rep. Steve Leopold will be replace by Dave Wieging as a Trustee Rep. And .

now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The following, in addition to the three county commissioners, are members of the Putnam County Planning Commission with three year terms:

Term Expires September 15, 2029

Mr. Derek Heitzman, –Township Assoc. Rep Telephone 419-615-5356

Term Expires December 15, 2026

Mr. Todd Worchuck, -Sheriff Dept Rep. Telephone 419-235-0580

Term Expires: March 15, 2029

Mr. Dave Wieging, -Trustee Rep. Telephone 419-286-2774

Term Expires December 15, 2027

Mr. Roger Kruse, -Trustee Rep. Telephone 419-659-2722

Term Expires March 15, 2028

Mrs. Beth Skulina, Health Dept Rep. Telephone 523-5608 business

Term Expires June 15, 2029

Mr. Michael L. Lenhart. -Eng Rep. Telephone 523-6931 business

Term Expires June 15, 2027

Mrs. Sarah Rieman -Soil & Water Rep Telephone 523-5159 business

Term Expires March 15, 2027

Mr. Greg Luersman, -Auditor Rep. Telephone 523-8715

Term Expires June 15, 2028

Mr. Vincent Schroeder, -Citizen Rep. Telephone 419-236-9567

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

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

Probate/ Juvenile.....to Putnam Co Family & Children First SFY 26 Parent Project for \$ 8,000.00

.....to Put Co Task Force for Youth for Youth Prevention Prog for \$ 8,000.00

.....to Put Co Family & Children First for wraparound program for \$ 5,000.00

Office of Public Safety...to Phantasm Design for Uniforms –N Harris for \$ 218.90

Ditch Maintenance....to Wlttler excavating for corn fodder removal on Grassy Run # 813 for \$ 4,835.00.

...to Panning Excavating for work on R Kohls Lat #5 911 for \$ 3,188.43

County General....to Zoll Medical for heart monitors for squads 20 % on behalf of EMS \$ 178,290.70.

To...KC Plumbing \$ Rooter for courthouse sewer line inspection for \$ 205.00

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 Hoffman Lawn & Landscaping for redoing landscaping in front of courthouse for \$ 846.00

Office of Public Safety.....Travel requests for Kyle & Brian to attend PAWS training in Dublin, OH on Aug 27 with Blanket purchase order for \$ 90.00 for meals. Blanket purchase order for fuel for \$ 35,000.00, Blanket purchase order for Equipment for \$ 10,000.00,

Job & Family.....Purchase order to Data works Plus for contract renewal for \$ 546.00. Travel request for John Folk to attend the Public Children Services Assoc of Ohio (PCSAO) Executive Membership Meeting at The Ohioan Hotel & Event Center in Lewis Center, OH on Jun 25-26, 2026 with expenses for mileage, lodging and meals totaling \$385.51.

County General.....Purchase order to Fishel, Downey, Albrecht & Riepenhoff for ongoing attorney fees for EMS labors matters for \$ 5,000.00. Travel request for Tim, Aaron, Nate, Ginger & Teresa to attend the Brown Supply Open House in Lima on Jun 11, 2026 no expenses listed. Purchase order to Safety Council of Putnam County for FY 27 annual dues for\$ 70.00.

Airport.....Purchase order to Putnam Oil for diesel for \$ 525.90

BOE.....Blanket purchase order for Security Grant 2026 for \$10,000.00

Sewer Dist #1....Blanket purchase order for repair supplies for \$ 200.00, Purchase order to Ottawa Water Works for Jun- Dec monthly usage for \$ 40,000.00.

Dog & Kennel.....Travel request for Mike Schroth to attend the NW Ohio Dog Warden meeting in Defiance County on June 24, 2026 no expenses listed.

Mr. Brubaker moved to approve the purchase orders and travel 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

Purchase order Adjustments

Solid Waste Dist Disp Fees...additional needed to Arcwood Environmental Inc for recycle day collections for \$ 10,017.05

Sewer Dist #1.....add'l needed to Ottawa Water Works for May Usage of \$ 1,782.31
Mr. Schlumbohm moved to approve the purchase orders adjustments.

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

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

Tim Schnipke stopped in to update Commissioners Schlumbohm and Brubaker on the EMS building progress and the change order issues. Tim Schnipke and John Schlumbohm will be talking to Technicon about the issues. The heating & cooling will be installed in the rafters and the roof will be started in July by Damschroder.

Tim talked about the fairgrounds and the fair prep. Tim tries to purchase as much local as possible, although County Electric does not have the supplies in stock they need to order. All-Phase has the items in stock with same day pick-up.

There is still something going on with the sewer pump that the bolts were replaced in. There is a vibration and the pump is not pumping correctly. Another Gould's pump would need to be ordered. We did have a replacement pump on the shelf with Kahle Electric but it is not where it is now.

Commissioners Schlumbohm and Brubaker held discussions with Alaina Siefker and Tim Schnipke on sewer district #1 finances and reviewed the village's Pre-annexation Agreement draft. The current rates and the revenue figures were reviewed. The Pre-Annexation Agreement submitted by the village was reviewed. This information will be shared with the sewer district residents along with the meeting notifications. A temporary rate may be set to get the fund balance back up to cover the repairs until the village would take over the system. And then it would be re-evaluated. The rates have not been changed for the past two years. Greg Kelly of the Lima News joined the meeting. In 2024 there was a 7% increase from the village but the county kept the rates the same, in 2025 there was a 3% increase from the village and a raise of \$5.00 by the county. The funds balances in 2024 and 2025 were higher which was the reason for the county not increasing the rates, but since then there have been repairs made which has used up the excess balance. The Pre-Annexation was written by the Village solicitor Joe Schroeder. Tim will provide a listing of all the repairs that have been made to the pumps. The lining of the SD#1 system will be included as well. All of the expenses will be provided to show how the money has been spent. The Commissioners would like Joe Schroeder to attend the meetings to help answer any legal questions from the residents. This pre-annexation agreement would be for sewer districts #1 & #2 and Pohl Road. The storm sewers have been approved by the village. That was the first requirement for them accepting the sanitary sewers. There are 178 customers in SD #1, which includes Oak Haven, Nelson and Breece's, it also includes the people inside the village that pay the \$40. \$50 brings in \$8,000 per month. Nelson's, Breece's and Oak Haven get a \$29 maintenance rate, they are charged by their water usage. All the residential get a charge of \$95.00. A history of rate increases will be included with the information for the residents. The current fund balances were reviewed. In 2018-19 the SD #2 manholes were lined when the lift station was rebuilt. The SD #1 maintenance rate will be raised to \$50 for all residents. The Pre-Annexation Agreement will be reviewed.

The vacant rate has been \$40 there are about 2-3 per year. The Commissioners proposed getting rid of the vacant rates all together. The Resident inside the village boundaries is still \$40. Regular bills that were \$95, the \$50 will be added to that. The three businesses will get the added \$50 up from the current \$29. Pohl Road bill is divided by the number of residences on the line. The reasoning for this change is due to the fund balances and paying the village for

services. The debt collection will be continued by the village for SD #1 to pay off the loan for the sewer relining that was done. If at the time of turning over the line there is a balance it would be kept for debt service, this loan cannot be paid off early. Once it is paid off that collection can stop. If there is money left after the transition it can be returned back to the residents.

Commissioners asked Greg questions about the data centers.

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

Ginger and Teresa came in to ask about purchasing additional recycling bins for the other floors of the courthouse so they don't have to pick through everyone's trash to sort out the recyclables. The Commissioners said they can get additional bins.

The minutes from Thursday June 4, 2026 were reviewed and approved.

Ashley Baumgartner of United Way met with Commissioners Schlumbohm and Brubaker to discuss the possible renting of the old Heartbeat office at the Records building. Ashley is interested in renting the space if it is available for the United Way. The United Way provides support for about 18 programs from birth to end of life. The current office location will be needing some renovations. She would like to be in a more centralized location with more visibility. Big Brothers Big Sisters shares the current space. She is interested in office space, a referral space and some storage space. There are some records that are being sorted and will be moved to the appropriate department. A viewing of the building was set up for Thursday at 1:30 pm. The desired rent was asked. The previous renter, Heartbeat only paid a monthly reimbursement of utilities. The Reentry Coalition or Partners in Hope is a new partner for United Way. Ideally a move would happen after August, so all the school supplies would not have to be moved. The building had a new roof and new air units installed in recent years.

Mr. Schlumbohm moved to adjourn for the day.

Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion.

Vote Schlumbohm yes Wehri absent Brubaker yes

Commissioner Brubaker and Cindy Landwehr met with Brian Hilvers, Nancy Erhart, Deb Kaufman and Kyle Hashbarger to discuss the financial situation of the Office of Public Safety.

Mr. Brubaker moved to approve the minutes as read from Tuesday, June 16, 2026.

Mr. Schlumbohm seconded the motion.

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