

Minutes for Tuesday, July 14, 2015

Mr. Schroeder moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, The Putnam County Engineer has recently become aware of an oversight on the Ohio Department of Transportation Road Inventory Listing (RI-134A). The subject road is Road 13 between CR X in Section 6 of Liberty Township and CR X in Section 1 of Palmer Township, being 0.071 miles in length. Said road is currently indexed as a Liberty Township highway.

and

WHEREAS, According to ORC 5541.02, all county highways shall connect with either a state or county road to ensure a connected system of county highways.

and

WHEREAS, Putnam County Engineer, Michael L. Lenhart, requests a resolution to accept said portion of Road 13 into the county highway system.

and

WHEREAS, Said road is shown on the attached Exhibit A location map.

and

WHEREAS, Said road shall be 0.071 miles in length, have a road right-of-way width of 45 feet and be named County Road 13 as per ORC 5543.04.

now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That, upon the request of the Putnam County Engineer, the Board of County Commissioners, does hereby approve of changing the above described Township Road 13 to County Road 13.

and be it further

RESOLVED, The Putnam County Engineer is to file the original resolution of the county commissioners into the permanent road records and update road and tax maps accordingly, as well as notifying the Ohio Department of Transportation of the change in Liberty Township and Putnam County Highway mileages.

Mr. Jerwers seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Jerwers yes Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Love yes

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Mr. Schroeder moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, The ethanol industry has been a tremendous environmental benefit for the United States of America by reducing fuel pollutants and breathing problems.

and

WHEREAS, American farmers depend on the ethanol industry consuming five billion bushels of our corn per year, thus helping our farmers stay in business.

and

WHEREAS, The more than thirteen billion gallons of ethanol in the pipeline has reduced our dependence on foreign oil and given our citizens a lower pump price.

and

WHEREAS, Thousands of jobs have been created by the ethanol industry.

now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The county commissioners of Putnam County, Ohio, pray that the Obama administration and the Environmental Protection Agency fully restore the ethanol use levels for the Renewable Fuel Standards (RFS).

Mr. Love seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Jerwers yes Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Love yes
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Mr. Jerwers moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, The Putnam County Commissioners received a request from the Probate and Juvenile Department to establish appropriation lines for Fund 111, Youth Subsidy FDCC.

now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The Board of County Commissioners does hereby request the Putnam County Auditor to add the following appropriation lines for the 2014/2015 Youth Subsidy Budget:

111B16	Other Expenses
111PS16	Personal Services
111FR16	Fringes

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Jerwers yes Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Love yes
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Mr. Jerwers moved that the following appropriation modification be made for the year ending December 31, 2015

For Youth Subsidy

From....111B15, Other Expenses.....to....111B16, Other Expenses.....\$43,470.00

From...111PS15, Personal Services.....to....111PS16, Personal Services.\$21,063.85

From...111FR15, Fringes.....to....111FR16, Fringes.....\$ 500.00

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Jerwers yes Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Love yes
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Mr. moved for the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The Board of County Commissioners of Putnam County, Ohio are Defendants in a lawsuit captioned State ex rel. Patrick Bros, Mary Lou Patrick, Thomas M. Patrick, Patrick Holdings, Inc., Albert Nienberg, Carol Reynolds, Meredith John, Mark Nienberg, Marilyn Horstman, Marcia Stanton, Michael Nienberg, James Nienberg, John Nienberg, Ann Neff Nienberg v. Board of County Commissioners, Case No. 2012-CV-00055.

and

WHEREAS, upon the advice of the County Prosecutor and their counsel, Frost, Brown and Todd, in the above noted case, the Board of County Commissioners of Putnam County, Ohio proposed to retain attorney Dennis Fitzgerald of the law firm of Fitzgerald & Mihalik, LLC 400 South Main Street- Findlay, Ohio 45840, for the purposes of serving as an expert witness on the reasonableness and appropriateness of

attorneys' fees in the case captioned, *Patrick Brothers, et al. v. Putnam County Commissioners*, Case No. 2012-CV-00055, set for hearing September 28, 2015, at a fixed rate of \$200 per hour.

Now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The Board of County Commissioners of Putnam County, Ohio does hereby retain attorney Dennis Fitzgerald of the law firm of Fitzgerald & Milhalik, LLC 400 South Main Street-Findlay, Ohio 45840, for the purposes of serving as an expert witness, on the reasonableness and appropriateness of attorneys' fees in the case captioned, *Patrick Borthers, et al. v. Putnam County Commissioners*, Case No. 2012-CV-00055, set for hearing September 28, 2015, at a fixed rate of \$200 per hour to be paid out of the county general fund.

Mr. _____ seconded the motion.

Mr. Schroeder moved to table this resolution for further discussion with the Prosecutor.

Mr. Jerwers seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Jerwers yes Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Love yes

Resolution was not approved.

Mr. Love moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of County Commissioners of Putnam County, Ohio, that to provide for unanticipated revenues for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2015, the following sums be and the same area hereby appropriated for the purpose for which expenditures are to be made during the fiscal year as follows:

Fund 035, Solid Waste District Disposal Fees

35 SA, Salaries.....\$1,000.00

Mr. Jerwers seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Jerwers yes Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Love yes

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Now and Then Purchase Orders...

911 Communications.....Purchase order 29335, 28724

Mr. Jerwers moved to approve the now and then purchase orders

Mr. Love seconded the motion

Vote: Mr. Jerwers yes Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Love yes

Exceptions: Mr. Jerwers none Mr. Schroeder none Mr. Love none

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Purchase orders and Travel Requests...

Commissioners.....Amended travel for Deb Kaufman to attend West Central Ohio Safety Council meeting, mileage \$17.36;

Office of Public Safety...Blanket P.O. for insurance company and patient refunds \$3,500.00;

County....Purchase order to Fitzgerald & Mihalik LLC for service of Dennis Fitzgerald, in Patrick Bros et al. v Putnam Co. Commissioners case 2012-CV-00055 for \$2,000.00.

Home Funds...(2) purchase orders payable to Abdoo Home Builders, LLC., for a private rehabilitation for Joseph Geckle, \$42,200.00 and a private rehabilitation for Clayton & Clara Maag for a private rehabilitation, \$39,100.00.

Mr. Love moved to approve the purchase orders/travel requests.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion

Vote: Mr. Jerwers yes Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Love yes

Exceptions: Mr. Jerwers yes Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Love yes

The exception was po #29256 payable to Fitzgerald & Mihalik LLC. Purchase order was not approved due to tabling the resolution to hire Dennis Fitzgerald.

8:30 a.m.

Mr. Jerwers moved to open the business session.

Mr. Love seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Jerwers yes Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Love yes

9:00 a.m.

Business agenda was held in attendance were Commissioners Love, Schroeder and Jerwers; Administrator Jack Betscher; Cindy Landwehr, Grant Coordinator; Nancy Kline from the Sentinel; also in attendance were Dan Ellis and Victoria Ellis. Nancy Kline asked John about the next 6119 meeting that is on the schedule.

10:00 a.m.

Commissioners Love, Schroeder and Jerwers and Jack Betscher administrator left the office at 9:45 a.m. to attend the Governor's Round Table discussion at the Educational Service Center from 10:00 a.m. to Noon.

1:15 p.m.

Commissioners Love, Schroeder and Jerwers and Jack Betscher returned to the office.

1:30 p.m.

Jack & Michelle Williams stopped in to drop off the keys to the offices in the Annex building that the Red Cross has vacated.

2:00 p.m.

Allen County Commissioners Begg, Noonan and Sneary called Commissioners Love, Schroeder and Jerwers to set a date for Sugar Creek Joint County Ditch bid opening. Greg Namas Allen County Engineer

It was agreed by all Commissioners to set the date of Aug 7, 2015 and time of 11:00 a.m. at Allen County Commissioners Office for the bid opening on the Warrington Sugar Creek Joint County Ditch #1304.

Vote: Allen County Commissioners Sneary yes; Noonan, yes; Begg, yes

Vote: Putnam County Commissioners Love yes; Jerwers yes; Schroeder yes

Original petition of Sugar Creek and Rattlesnake Creek.

2:15 p.m.

Commissioner Schroeder left the office.

2:20 p.m.

Commissioner Love shared the information on the Sewer District #1 emergency that took place on Friday July 10 in the afternoon. Commissioner Love was informed by a resident that there was a pump problem on Fairview and US 224. Mr. Love authorized the replacement of the pump by the Village of Ottawa and Kahle Electric. There was a failure in the alerting system, and the light was burnt out. The failures are being looked into since the electronic were all upgraded.

2:30 p.m.

Commissioners Love and Jerwers met with Jamie Prasuhn, Linda Maag, and Kim Carder of the State Auditor's Office; Kim Nordhaus, Jeremy Maag, Angie Heitmeyer, and Bob Benroth from Putnam County Auditor's office; Gary Lammers, Prosecutor; Tracy Warnecke, Treasurer and Jack Betscher, Administrator to complete the exit conference for the audit of Putnam County.

3:15 p.m.

Jim and Sheri Webb from Oak Haven met with Commissioners Love and Jerwers Jack Betscher Administrator, and Bob Benroth, Auditor, to discuss their interests in the Putnam Acres building. Review lease proposals. The area available for lease was highlighted on a GIS map. The proposed lease from the Webb's would start at a 6 month lease with an option to buy with equipment (as is) and they would be responsible for all interior and exterior maintenance. Commissioners will need to continue the insurance as owner of the building. They normally have liability and assuredly bond. This includes staff. Replace for value. If a lease would happen then the two insurance agencies could talk to make sure that all aspects are covered for both parties. Record room retention for the County is still acceptable for the Webb's and they will assistance for getting rid of unnecessary equipment. They are not interested in having anyone else occupy the building at the same time. There is a separate entrance from the past superintendents quarters. There could be another office occupying that area. That could be discussed at a later time to be rented out. Bob was in the meeting to discuss the value of the building. It was asked if the building could be reappraised. Mr. Webb asked how it would be appraised as a business or as a building. Bob said both would be considered. They are not interested in the garage and extra land, just the usable space. Bob said he will ask the appraiser to take a look at it. Mr. Webb talked about a similar situation in Payne, OH and the value of the building. Curt Croy joined the meeting at 3:30 p.m. Bob did not know what year the last appraisal on this parcel took place. It can be looked into more closer since it was previously tax exempt for the County. The building is located on three different parcels currently. Appraisal Research Corp. out of Findlay performs the appraisals for the County. Bob suggested showing the GIS map to the appraiser to get a better value. The Commissioners are ok on the 6 month term. The price can be adjusted through an appraisal. The offer from Oak Haven is \$500,000, the

amount from the Commissioners is \$750,000. The County would like to work with the CIC. If the property is leased then it will become taxable. The current value of \$1.5 is high due to the ability to build a new building for the same amount. The appraisal could be done this week and the figures could be ready by next week. John would like to draw up a contract, a 12 month lease was agreed with no auto renewal. The Prosecutor will work with the CIC. A reappraisal will be done. The new value will help the public to see the reasoning for the pricing that may be received. The new purpose would be an assisted living facility, changing the use and occupancy of the building. The Commissioners would like to see this building back in use. The goal is to have this wrapped up by August 1. Mr. Webb would like to know the new appraisal price before they come with the agreement. The lease will be put together while the appraisal is being done. The CIC was created to move property and buildings from public entities to private entities to promote economic development. The new Community Center project in Leipsic was discussed as a current CIC project.

4:00 p.m.

Commissioner Jerwers left the office.

4:15 p.m.

Commissioner Schroeder returned to the office.

4:30 p.m.

Mr. Love moved to adjourn

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion

Vote: Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Love yes

Mr. Love moved that the minutes/discussion notes be approved as read.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Love yes