

## Minutes for Thursday, May 12, 2016

Mr. Schroeder 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, 2016.

For Board of Elections...

From..15 A 17A, Contingencies.....to..3 A 9D1, Employee Fringes.....\$28.13

From...15 A 17A Contingencies...to...3 A 7, Travel Bd of Elections.....\$1,000.00

From...15 A 17A Contingencies..to...3 A 2, Compensation of Employees.\$ 1,911.99

Mr. Jerwers seconded the motion

Vote: Mr. Jerwers yes      Mr. Love absent      Mr. Schroeder yes  
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Mr. Jerwers 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, 2016.

For Common Pleas...

From...2 B 12D, Other Expenses.....to....2 B 10, Travel Common Pleas Court.....\$ 451.00

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion

Vote: Mr. Jerwers yes      Mr. Love absent      Mr. Schroeder yes  
Comm. Jrl. 109, Page 200

Mr. Jerwers 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, 2016, 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 119, GHS DVI TASK..IDEP

119 SA2, Salaries IDEP.....\$1,000.00

Mr. Schroeder                      seconded the motion

Vote: Mr. Jerwers    yes                      Mr. Love absent                      Mr. Schroeder    yes  
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**Now and Then Purchase Orders.....**

**Common Pleas**.....purchase order 28290, 30782

**Veteran Services**.....purchase order 31490

**Probate/Juvenile**.....purchase order 30940

**Youth Subsidy**.....purchase order 30541

**911**.....purchase order 31566, 31567, 31568

**CDBG**.....purchase order 31636, 31637

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

Mr. Schroeder                      seconded the motion

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

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

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**Purchase orders and Travel Requests.....**

**Clerk of Courts**.....travel request for Teresa Lammers to attend the Ohio Clerk of Courts Assoc Conference June 14 through 17, 2016 in Cincinnati, OH with purchase order for mileage, lodging, and parking for \$491.43.

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

Mr. Jerwers                      seconded the motion

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

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

**8:30 a.m.**

Commissioner Schroeder arrived at the office.

**8:45 a.m.**

Commissioner Schroeder, Tracy Warnecke, Teresa Lammers and Jack Betscher met for an Investment meeting in the Commissioners' Office.

**8:50 a.m.**

Commissioner Jerwers arrived at the office.

**9:00 a.m.**

Mike Jay with Jobs Ohio & Curt Croy met with Commissioners Schroeder and Jerwers to give an update on the Regional Growth Program and Jobs Ohio. Mike talked about surrounding counties and the amount of people that cross county lines to go to work. Mike covers a 17 county area from Sandusky to Van Wert. Mike gave some figures on job creation and retention for the area. Whirlpool has made an announcement of 40-50 new jobs. A grant was applied for and received to help with them according to Curt Croy. Mike talked about giving helicopter rides to show new business prospects the area and job sites. Mike spoke about a few of the business reps that come to look at the area. Van Wert, Findlay, Tiffin, Bucyrus and Lima all have food sites. Putnam has elected not to have a food site. Putnam focuses on manufacturing due to the rails system in the county. Site Ohio certification Curt said 6 sites have been submitted from Putnam County. Having a certified site is that it has been looked at to have adequate access to public utilities, natural gas, transportation options. Sites in Ottawa, Kalida, Ottoville, Pandora, Continental and Columbus Grove have been submitted. Everything is planned out now before they even come to look at a site due to technology available now. The Norfolk & Southern rail line runs right through Continental which makes it attractive but it does not have natural gas. It was discussed that Whirlpool supplies are trucked in from Chicago area when it would make more sense to have them in Ohio. Whirlpool will not change at this time since things are still profitable. Whirlpool uses Penske trucking. It was thought that Ohio Logistics could set up with Penske also. The Multiplier campaign is underway and financial institutions are being visited to expand the knowledge of business growth. Putnam is lucky to have John Recker who is the project leader and training all the others. Workforce Development is looking to expand in the area as well. The international market is interested in this area also for the automotive area and plastics. There is some Italian interest. Retention, expansion and existing businesses is the main focus. Jobs Ohio has cut regional funding. The state wide programs is being tweaked not completely redone. Get the managing directors of the businesses to come to the area and watch the trends. The projects are presented to the regional representative and then it is presented to the State level. The turn-around on project requests are fairly quick. It is good that there are new things happening in Putnam County it keeps people interested in being and staying here. Vince asked about the drug problem and unemployment. Mike said if the people are trainable and want to work. People can be trained. The millennials are not as willing to work, no work ethic. Hancock has drug problem, partnering with United Way. If someone applied for job but cannot pass drug test, they will take them and work with them. These people are trying to get a job. The social issues affect unemployment too. The trade schools are being promoted and then further education can be obtained. Not everyone needs to pursue a four year degree. Work force development is trying to influence the school curriculum to promote manufacturing prospects. Putnam County has close knit families and small schools so no really gets left out. Putnam County has positive reinforcements which promotes the work ethic. There are still some vocational classes available in Putnam County as well. The County is fighting the State about getting rid of these programs. RGP, Ohio Means Jobs, JFS are all working together to create a work force. The people

from Putnam County are willing to drive, some work in Columbus, Russels Point, Ada. The County as a whole is welcoming to new people, other surrounding areas are not that way. The schools agree that things needs to be changed to teach students about tech or trade schools as options for getting ready for employment. The universities did not accept tech school credits towards the four year degree programs. The students have to want to work and go to school. Sacrifice is needed.

**10:00 a.m.**

The business agenda was held with Commissioners Jerwers and Schroeder; Jack Betscher, Administrator, Cindy Landwehr, Clerk.

**10:15 a.m.**

Commissioner Schroeder called retired Clerk Betty Schroeder to inquire about the Water Sewer Contingency Fund. Betty said it was for water taps only from the east side of Ottawa. At the time the fund was created it was thought there would be more expansion on that side of town.

**10:44 a.m.**

Gary Lammers and Mike Klear met with Commissioners Schroeder and Jerwers to discuss the purchase of Public Safety building.

Mr. Jerwers motioned to go into executive session to discuss the purchase of property for public purposes, the location of Office of Public Safety.

Mr. Schroder seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Jerwers yes

**10:53 a.m.**

Mr. Jerwers moved to come out of executive session.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Jerwers yes, Mr. Schroeder yes

The Commissioner agree to a language change in the contract with St. Rita's. Add words "due to issue related to protective covenants in part". They give Gary Lammers the authority to add only if needed.

Mr. Schroeder moved to accept the language change in the contract.

Mr. Jerwers seconded

Vote Jerwers yes Schroeder yes

**11:15 a.m.**

Gary Lammers met with Commissioners Schroeder and Jerwers, Jack Betscher, Bill Perry and Matt Cunningham were also in attendance. Pending litigation of the case of Patrick Bros vs Board of Putnam Co Commissioners will be discussed and as well as the companion appropriation cases related to Road 5.

Mr. Schroeder moved to go into executive session concerning direction of the pending litigation on Road 5. And if any further action needs to be taken regarding Judge Crawford's decision.

Mr. Jerwers seconded the motion.

Vote: Jerwers yes Schroeder yes

11:20 a.m.

Frank Reed called in to join the executive session.

Mr. Cunningham and Mr. Perry left the office.

**11:50 a.m.**

Mr. Jerwers moved to come out of executive session

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

Vote: Jerwers yes Schroeder yes

Mr. Cunningham and Mr. Perry came back into the office.

Mr. Lammers asked if the Commissioner had any action, Vince said they would like to wait until the full board is present. A meeting will be set up for 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday May 17 to discuss the Commissioners' action and whether to appeal the decision by Judge Crawford.

Mr. Cunningham and Mr. Perry left the office.

Mr. Lammers confirmed that the full board should be present when a decision is made.

**12:00 p.m.**

Commissioner Jerwers left for the day.

**12:20 p.m.**

Commissioners Schroeder left for lunch.

**1:45 p.m.**

Commissioner Schroeder returned from lunch.

**4:00 p.m.**

Commissioner Schroeder attended the 6119 meeting in the Assembly Room.

Mr. Love moved to approve the minutes from Thursday, May 12, 2016.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

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