

**Minutes for Thursday, January 12, 2017**

Mr. Lammers moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

**WHEREAS,** Daniel Bollett served as the bee inspector since 2013, and is again interested in serving as bee inspector for Putnam County for 2017.

now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** The Board of County Commissioners does hereby re-appoint Daniel Bollett, 6515 North River Road, Waterville, Ohio 43566 as the bee inspector for Putnam County, at a rate of \$4.00 per hive with mileage expense of \$.40 per mile.

and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That the 40 cents per mile for mileage is for in the county and necessary expenses that are not to exceed the appropriation of \$1,000.00 for 2017.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion

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

- County.....**purchase orders 33322-33324,33574, 33575, 33583, 33582
- County-Airport...**purchase order 33577
- Dog & Kennel....**purchase order 33325
- 6119.....**purchase order 33576
- Solid Waste Dist Disp Fees.....**purchase order 33321
- EMS.....**purchase orders 2854, 2855
- EMA.....**purchase order 2856, 2857
- Muni Court.....**purchase order 33145

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

Mr. Love seconded the motion

Vote: Mr. Lammers yes Mr. Love yes Mr. Schroeder yes  
Exceptions: Mr. Lammers none Mr. Schroeder none Mr. Love none  
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**Purchase orders and Travel Requests.....**

**County**.....Purchase order to Tracy Warnecke, Putnam Co Treasurer for real estate taxes special assessments for \$1,733.58. Purchase order to Tracy Warnecke, Put Co Treasurer for real estate taxes on County properties for \$29,825.72. Purchase order to CCAO for 2017 membership dues for Jack Betscher for \$360.00. Purchase order to Blanchard River Watershed Partnership for 2017 support for \$1000.00. Purchase order to Westfield Insurance for flood insurance on 336 E. Main For \$1752.00.

**LEPC**.....Purchase order to Michael Frey for Cameo Data Entry 2017 for \$1182.50.

**EMS**.....Blanket purchase order foe vehicle maintenance for 2017 \$5000.00.

**Dog & Kennel**.....Travel request for Mike Schroth to attend the NW Ohio Dog Warden's meeting in Wood Co on January 11, 2017 no expense listed. Purchase order to Sarka Electric for 2 new outdoor LED lights plus labor for \$1600.00.

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

Mr. Lammers seconded the motion

Vote: Mr. Lammers yes Mr. Love yes Mr. Schroeder yes

Exceptions: Mr. Lammers none Mr. Love none Mr. Schroeder none

Commissioner Love called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with Commissioner Lammers.

Commissioner Schroeder arrived at 8:40 a.m.

Commissioner Schroeder gave updates to Commissioners Love and Lammers regarding the Fair Board from the meeting he attended. They discussed the status of the rental space at the Ag Complex and the improvements being done.

Andrew Karey met with Commissioners Schroeder, Love and Lammers at 9:00 a.m. to discuss an easement for ODNR. Mr. Karey lives on Rd 25-M north of Ottoville. He and his neighbors received a letter from ODNR regarding the Canal. ODNR is requesting money for a permanent easement to use his driveway. Mr. Karey has called Hite, McColley and Latta to inquire about this request. ODNR is trying to preserve waterways. The section of canal has been abandoned and the landowners are maintaining the property. The State owns the property. A new home owner had to pay \$1,000 for an easement. Mr. Karey is asking why he is asked to pay \$1,500., why wasn't this an issue when he bought his house 21 years ago. There are no easements on file for any of these properties currently. Mr. Karey has heard from Hite's office they are checking on it. Latta found it came from State. He received no response from McColley. Within the village of Ottoville some landowners have purchased the canal. Mr. Karey was thinking of sending ODNR a bill for mowing the canal since they are billing him for an easement. The easement for the new house was presented. The Commissioners will try to make some contacts for Mr. Karey to try and get him some answers. Why are the existing landowners being charged? They should be grandfathered in for an easement.

Joe Burkhart stopped in to give the Commissioners an update on the status of the Communication tower. He received some information from Cheryl at Bright net that he shared with the Commissioners. If the Commissioners are interested in selling the parcel that the tower is sitting on, the parking lot would have to be resurveyed since it is three parcels currently. Another option would be to sell the tower and lease the land. Commissioner Lammers would

like to respond to Bright net that we are interested in their offer. Joe also gave some examples for IT policies and procedures from other Counties. The Commissioners reviewed the current policy and have asked for some changes. The elimination for all personal computer use (social media) on a County computer will be implemented. A "guest network" will cover any of the other computer use to protect the County's network from viruses or hacking. Joe is getting quotes for setting up the "guest network". Mike asked about Joe & Dave getting certified for using CISCO, Dave would rather get training on Juniper. The use of personal email will be looked at also.

The business agenda was held at 10:00 a.m. with Commissioners Schroeder, Love and Lammers; Jack Betscher, Administrator; Cindy Landwehr, Clerk and Nancy Kline, Putnam County Sentinel.

Joe called in and talked to the Commissioners at 10:45 a.m. regarding a hacking situation on the County's website from December. It has been corrected. Additional security was discussed and upgrading the website was also inquired.

Commissioners Schroeder, Love and Lammers discussed the recycling charges from Van Wert Solid Waste and Ottoville Boy Scouts and the options for the citizens of Fort Jennings and Ottoville to have access to recycling. The possibility of providing County recycling bins to those communities was discussed. It was determined the County would have to purchase more bins to be able to expand their services any further in the County.

Commissioners Schroeder, Love and Lammers adjourned for lunch at 12:00 p.m.

Commissioners Lammers and Love returned at 1:00 p.m.

Commissioner Schroeder returned from lunch at 2:15 p.m.

Duane Hall, John Schlumbohm, Jeremy Liechty, and Rick Morrison from Village of Pandora met with Commissioners Schroeder, Love and Lammers, Ashley Siefker, Grant. Wage Coordinator and Jack Betscher, Administrator at 2:30 p.m. to discuss the denial by the State on their submitted Formula FY 16 project of adding ADA restrooms to their Community Center. John asked about the status of the funds and whether the County would lose the funds. Ashley explained that the funds are not "in" the County the funds are drawn from the State as needed when invoiced. John Love explained how the Formula grant funding has decreased over the years. Jeremy explained the project and the need for the improvements. The finances of the projects were also explained. John Schlumbohm asked about the RLF fund portion of the money that was allocated for the project if it is still available. Jeremy explained that they have a coordinator who schedules the use of the building and shows it to prospective renters. All the plans have been approved and completed by Technicon. The project will have to be rebid. All the funding is not in place there are pledges that have 5 years to pay. The Council will have to adjust their funding for the project, they will have to go to the bank for the remaining funding needed. Mike Lammers asked about the capital campaign for the Community Center and the Council wants to re-ask the community. The Gym is a revenue source it is rented for all Junior High games. The agreement is that there is no tax funds used to maintain the building. All the funds from the building rental goes through the Village books. Any donations are tax deductible through the Village. The gym rent from the school does cover the utilities and improvements. There have been improvements done to the building, a new roof was put on the Community Room portion in 2015. The Commissioners will discuss their decision to use RLF money toward the project and will get back with Village Council.

Ashley Siefker met with the Commissioners to discuss the proposal from Pandora for the Community Center project at 3:30 p.m. After the presentation from the project representatives the Commissioners agreed to grant the project \$40,000 that was originally allotted for the project but not the \$35,900 that was from what the current grant would have provided. Commissioner Lammers motioned for the grant and Commissioners Schroeder seconded with all voting yes. The Commissioners also decided to get the Prosecutor involved with the loan that was given to Stacy Warneke. She has not paid on her loan since August and is in arrears by over \$1000. The Commissioners will talk with the Prosecutor and see what options are available for collection. The board will be notified of these changes and if a meeting is necessary it will be scheduled.

Commissioner Love moved to adjourn for the day at 4:00 p.m.

Commissioner Lammers seconded the motion.

Vote : Schroeder yes, Lammers yes, Love yes

Mr. Schroeder moved to approve the minutes from Thursday, January 12, 2017.

Mr. Lammers seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schroeder yes      Mr. Lammers yes      Mr. Love yes