

## Minutes for Thursday, June 21, 2018

### Now and Then Purchase orders

**Jail**.....purchase order 36758

**EMS**.....purchase order 3205

**Coroner**...purchase order 36950

**County**.....purchase order 36931

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

Mr. Lammers seconded the motion.

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

Exceptions: Mr. Love po 36931 Mr. Schroeder po 36931 Mr. Lammers po 36931

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Mr. Schroeder called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with Mr. Love and Mr. Lammers by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners Schroeder and Love explained the reason for the conference call with SERB held on Wednesday.

Tim Schnipke stopped in to give the Commissioners an update on maintenance issues, and asked if he could get a windshield for the Gator.

The business agenda was held at 10:00 a.m. with Commissioners Schroeder, Love and Lammers; Jackson Betscher, Administrator; Cindy Landwehr, Clerk and Martin Verni, Putnam County Sentinel. The Then/Now purchase order to Toys R US for storage racks will be cancelled, Toys R us will only accept cash due to liquidation.

Commissioners and Engineer held the bid opening for OPWC Round 32 at 10:30 a.m. The bids received were as follows:

Ward Const. bid bond included on Proposal A bid amount \$294,050.00

Gerken bid bond included on Proposal B bid amount \$63.25 per ton for all 3 plants

Mr. Love moved to table the bids for further review.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

Vote: Love yes Schroeder yes Lammers yes

Bob Benroth and Jeremy Maag from Auditors office came to talk to Commissioners Schroeder, Love and Lammers at 11:00 a.m. regarding the establishment of a Heavy Rescue fund. The Commissioners had asked if a separate funds could be created for purchases for the Heavy rescue program. The short answer is "no". In discussion with the State Auditors the language on the EMS tax levy was referenced, and the use of those levy funds. If the language on the levy

would have specified the Heavy Rescue equipment, it could have been done. Since it is not specified it cannot be done. Mr. Klear needs to learn to budget or set aside money, (leave in the carry over) for the purchase of equipment. A check cannot be written to the Heavy Rescue fund also. The request for the fund did make sense, but they should be managing the money in the existing fund to save for new equipment. The language on the levy would need to specify use for Heavy Rescue. Mr. Love said the Office of Public Safety would also like to set aside funds to build a new building with housing included and get rid of the house. Creative accounting is not a good practice to follow. Mr. Schroeder explained that other departments have also asked for separate funds to be set up for future purchases or specific purchases. This cannot be done. Whatever the levy is specified for is what it must be used for. The EMA budget was also discussed that is it running rather tight and this year's budget submission of revenue and appropriations does not match up.

The minutes from Tuesday June 19 and Wednesday June 20 were reviewed and approved.

A Joint County teleconference call was held between Putnam and Hancock County Commissioners at 11:30 a.m. to discuss the collection of maintenance on the Niese Group Joint County Ditch #740. Present were Hancock County Commissioners Brian Robertson and Timothy Bechtol and Putnam County Commissioners John Love, Vincent Schroeder and Michael Lammers.

Mr. Robertson moved to approve the resolution to collect maintenance on the Niese Group Joint County Dt #740 for a total of \$4,499.98 with Hancock collecting \$396.41 and Putnam Collecting \$4,103.57.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

Vote: Hancock Robertson yes, Bechtol yes, Gazarek absent

Putnam: Love yes Schroeder yes Lammers yes

Mr. Robertson moved to adjourn the meeting.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

Vote: Hancock Robertson yes, Bechtol yes, Gazarek absent

Putnam: Love yes Schroeder yes Lammers yes

A Joint County teleconference call was held between Putnam and Henry County Commissioners at 11:35 a.m. to discuss the collection of maintenance on the Smith Dt, Morgan Dt., and South Turkeyfoot Dt. Present were Henry County Commissioners Glenn Miller, Thomas Van Deylen and Robert Hastedt and Putnam County Commissioners John Love, Vincent Schroeder and Michael Lammers.

The work to be done on the ditches was explained to all Commissioners, Reese and Morgan will need spraying and S. Turkeyfoot will need to have log jams removed.

Mr. Lammers moved to approve the resolution to collect maintenance on the Joint County Ditches of Reese Dt- Henry collecting \$515.76 Putnam collecting \$1005.12 Total \$1520.88. Morgan Dt. -Henry collecting \$411.11, Putnam collecting \$520.99 Total \$932.10. S. Turkeyfoot ditch Henry collecting \$43,880.66, Putnam collecting \$2410.63 Total \$46,291.29

Mr. Hastedt seconded the motion.

Vote: Henry Miller yes VonDeylen yes Hastedt yes

Putnam Love yes Schroeder yes Lammers yes

An anonymous caller held a conference call with the Commissioners regarding the placement of Brandi Schrader on the Putnam County Fair Board and it being a conflict of interest for her due to her position at the Health Department. Commissioner Schroeder will consult with the County Prosecutor regarding this issue.

Mr. Lammers moved to adjourn for lunch at 12:15 p.m.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

Vote: Love yes Schroeder yes Lammers yes

Commissioners returned from lunch at 1:15 p.m.

The annual budget hearing was held at 2:00 p.m. with Commissioners Schroeder, Love and Lammers: Jackson Betscher, Administrator, Cindy Landwehr, Clerk and Martin Verni, Putnam County Sentinel. Mr. Betscher reviewed the projected budget figures for 2019 with the Commissioners. Mr. Betscher also explained any other budget requests from various departments. Mr. Lammers asked about the status of the upgrading of vehicles and equipment for the Sheriff's office. Mr. Betscher said it is nearly complete. Mr. Schroeder asked about funding needed for incarcerated juveniles. Mr. Lammers suggested the extra person needed in the Recorder's office be shared with the Treasurer's office, which was request by the Treasurer. Mr. Love brought up the State wide push for money to Board of Elections for voting equipment. He will try to find out the status when he goes to Columbus. The Prosecutor had made a request for additional personnel also. There is still State discussion on the new election equipment and the cybersecurity issues, may go back to paper ballots.

Mr. Lammers moved to adjourn of the day at 4:15 p.m.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

Vote: Love absent Schroeder yes Lammers yes

Mr. Lammers moved to approve the minutes as read from Thursday, June 21, 2018.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

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