

PUTNAM COUNTY REGULAR BOARD MEETING
April 14, 2025, at 5:30 P.M.

The regular meeting of the Putnam County Board was called to order at 5:30 P.M. on Monday, April 14, 2025, by the County Board Chairman, Charles Lenkaitis. The meeting was held at the Putnam County EMA Building in Hennepin, Illinois

The Clerk of the County Board took roll call. Floyd Holocker, Marlee Giacometti, and Charles Lenkaitis answering; Tony Rue and Luky Holly are absent.

All who were in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: March minutes were tabled.

Bills: Board member Holocker moved to approve the bills for March 2025. Board member Giacometti seconded the motion, which was carried on a roll-call board vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, and 2 absent.

Public comment: There was no public comment.

State Attorney Christina Judd Mennie was not present.

County Highway Engineer Catherine Terando was present with her report regarding County Highway Engineering and Maintenance Activities to the board. Terando had 1 action items on the agenda. First, Resolution 2025-08 Awarding Bids for Various Township and County Maintenance Sections. After a short conversation, Board member Holocker moved to approve Resolution 2025-08 Awarding Bids for Various Township and County Maintenance Sections, contingent on IDOT approval and contingent that the bids aren't contested. Board member Giacometti seconded the motion, which was carried on a roll-call board vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, and 2 absent. *(The Clerk of the County Board was directed to process Resolution 2025-08 Awarding Bids for Various Township and County Maintenance Sections, contingent on IDOT approval and contingent that the bids aren't contested).* Terando is hosting an Electronic Recycling event on April 25, 2025, from noon – 4:00 pm, located in the Marshall County Highway Yard. There were no other questions regarding her report. (The County Highway Engineer report is on file at the Office of the County Clerk & Recorder for review by any interested parties.)

Sheriff Joshua Boedigheimer was present with his report. The sheriff reported the new squad is equipped but waiting on the decals for the side, it may be another week before it is officially on the road. Maintenance and landscaping work around the courthouse has started. The sign in front of the courthouse is going out for bid, it is looking pretty bad. There were no other questions regarding his report. (The Sheriff's and Civil Processing Transaction Reports are on file at the Office of the County Clerk for review by any interested parties.)

County Treasurer Kevin Kunkel was present with his report.

March, FY' 2025

Income - \$25,525.00

General Fund Account Balance

General Fund Balance – (9542.47)

General Fund Savings - \$68,118.81

NCB CD - \$525,005.73

Illinois Funds - \$2,456,194.37

IIIT (PFM) - \$443,336.28

PMA - \$547,241.15

Total – 4,030,353.87

FY' 2025 Total Revenues - \$777,660.11

FY' 2025 Total Expenses - \$1,373,975.08

Kevin reported that tax bills were being sent out the last week of May, and the due dates are June 5th and Sept 5th. There were no other questions regarding his report. (The County Treasurer's financial reports are on file at the Office of the County Clerk for review by any interested parties.).

County Clerk & Recorder Tina Dolder was present with her report. Dolder reported income collected for the month was \$27,856.48. We had a 36% turnout in the April 1, 2025, Consolidated Election. The Election will be certified on April 17, 2025. Tina introduced her new part-time staff member, Amber Maggio. Tina reported that the tax extension was completed and handed over to Kevin on 4/10/2025. There were no other questions regarding her report. (The County Clerk & Recorder's report is on file at the Office of the County Clerk & Recorder for review by any interested parties.)

County Circuit Clerk Carly Zielinski was not present and had nothing to report.

County Probation Officer Sam Wier was not present and had nothing to report.

Zoning Administrator Ryan Giacometti was present with his report. There were 5 building permits issued since the last meeting. Ryan reported being busy between both counties and dealing with many different ongoing issues. The board had no questions regarding his report. (The Zoning Administrator's report is on file at the Office of the County Clerk & Recorder for review by any interested parties.)

County Supervisor of Assessments Tammy Mehalic was not present and had nothing to report.

County Death Investigator Bob Cofoid was present with his report. Cofoid reported 1 death for March. Cofoid attended a training and is looking forward to IACO next month. The board had no questions regarding his report. (The Death Investigator's full report is on file at the Office of the County Clerk & Recorder for review by any interested parties.)

Putnam County Office of Emergency Management Coordinator Chauntelle Biagi was present with her report. Biagi continues to attend several meetings and trainings throughout the month. During March, 2 severe weather events reached a level 3 (Enhanced Risk/Orange). During these events the EOC (Emergency Operations Center) in Putnam County has been

activated. Chauntelle has been working with Bureau and Henry County on a regional Emergency Operations Center Activation Protocol and have designated that when the National Weather Service issues a Level 3 or higher rating risk for Putnam, Bureau, Henry, Stark, and/or Mercer Counties we will activate the P.C. EOC and be connected to the Henry County Emergency Operations Center in Kewanee via Zoom. Bureau County EMA has been coming to the PCEOC and staffing our EOC with me during these events, along with members from the Granville/Hennepin Fire Protection District. During these events they utilize NWS chat with the National Weather Service, social media, GRLevel Radar, Team Reach with our Fire Chiefs, Amateur Radio Zoom with our Partners, local TV, and the State Emergency Operation Center Public Safety Room chat to ensure that our area is being monitored and that all warnings are issued promptly on multiple platforms. Multiple reports of damaged areas on March 14th. Severe Weather incident with down power lines, power outages throughout the county, and damage to the OEM Building roof from a dog kennel blowing up and onto the building. There were no questions regarding her report. (The County Emergency Management Coordinator's report is on file at the Office of the County Clerk & Recorder for review by any interested parties.)

NEW/OLD BUSINESS:

Kim Bird, from Hopkins & Associates, was present to discuss the FY 24 Audit. Kim went through the Audit and provided recommendations to the board and Office Holders for FY 2025. The General Fund Revenue is in good shape. Board member Holocker moved to approve the FY 24 Audit. Board member Giacometti seconded the motion, which was carried on a roll-call board vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, and 2 absent. (The Putnam County FY 24 Annual Financial Report Audit is posted on the website for review and filed at the Office of the County Clerk & Recorder for review by any interested parties.)

Lake Thunderbird is having its annual Corn Boil on August 2, 2025, and is requesting approval of the Liquor Application. The State's Attorney has reviewed the application and recommends approval. Board member Holocker moved to approve the Liquor application for the Corn Boil on August 2, 2025. Board member Giacometti seconded the motion, which was carried on a roll-call board vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, and 2 absent. *(The Clerk of the County Board will process the approval.)*

McNabb Fire Protection District Board has requested the appointment of Nolan Whitney to a three (3) year term to the district, as trustee, effective May 1, 2025. Nolan will be replacing Bart Whitney. Board member Holocker moved to approve the request to appoint Nolan Whitney to the McNabb Fire Protection District Board. Board member Giacometti seconded the motion, which was carried on a roll-call board vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, and 2 absent. *(The Clerk of the County Board will send letter of approval.)*

Standard Fire Protection District Board has requested the reappointment of Father Paul Meisner to a three (3) year term to the district, as trustee, effective May 1, 2025. Board member Holocker moved to approve the request to reappoint Father Paul Meisner to the Standard Fire Protection District Board. Board member Giacometti seconded the motion, which was carried on a roll-call board vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, and 2 absent. *(The Clerk of the County Board will send letter of approval.)*

Handbook – no update on the handbook

Correspondences and Committee Reports: None

ADJOURN:

At 6:38 P.M., Board member Holocker moved to adjourn the meeting. Board member Giacometti seconded the motion, which was carried on a roll call board vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, and 0 absent. The meeting was adjourned. The next Regular Meeting of the Putnam County Board is scheduled for Monday, May 12, 2025, at 5:30 P.M. The meeting will be held at the Putnam County Courthouse.

Respectfully submitted,

TINA DOLDER, Clerk of the Putnam County Board