

PUTNAM COUNTY REGULAR BOARD MEETING
March 10, 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, March 10, 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, Tony Rue, Luke Holly, and Charles Lenkaitis answered.

All who were in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: Board member Holly moved to approve the February 13, 2025, Regular Board Meeting minutes. Board member Holocker seconded the motion, which was carried on a roll-call board vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, and 0 absent.

Bills: Board member Holocker moved to approve the bills for February 2025. Board member Giacometti seconded the motion, which was carried on a roll-call board vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, and 0 absent.

Public comment:

Jeff Wynn, Travel Liaison for Senator Chris Balkema – He was going around meeting people and letting communities know what Senator Balkema has been working on. If there is anything they could do to help out with projects, reach out and let them know.

Steve Malavolti was present and wanted to address the speed limit signs on 71 entering the Village of Standard. He wanted to know why they were moved and if the requirements had been met for them to be moved. Sheriff Boedigheimer was going to reach out to the Village of Standard President to get the details on why IDOT moved the signs. Board Chairman Lenkaitis presented Steve Malavolti with a Putnam County sign and thanked him for serving on the County Board and getting the county through a budget crisis during his time serving.

State Attorney Christina Judd Mennie was present and had no action items for the board. There were no other questions for the State's Attorney.

County Highway Engineer Catherine Terando was present with her report regarding County Highway Engineering and Maintenance Activities to the board. Terando had 3 action items on the agenda. First, Resolution 2025-04 Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement for Participation in the Illinois Public Works Mutual Aid Network (IPWMAN). After a short conversation, Board member Holly moved to approve Resolution 2025-04 Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement for Participation in the Illinois Public Works Mutual Aid Network (IPWMAN). Board member Giacometti seconded the motion, which was carried on a roll-call board vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, and 0 absent. *(The Clerk of the County Board was directed to process Resolution 2025-04 Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement for Participation in*

the Illinois Public Works Mutual Aid Network (IPWMAN). Next, Resolution 2025-05 Intergovernmental Agreement Providing for Membership in the Illinois Public Works Mutual Aid Network Agreement. After a short conversation, Board member Rue moved to approve Resolution 2025-05 Intergovernmental Agreement Providing for Membership in the Illinois Public Works Mutual Aid Network Agreement. Board member Holocker seconded the motion, which was carried on a roll-call board vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, and 0 absent. *(The Clerk of the County Board was directed to process Resolution 2025-05 Intergovernmental Agreement Providing for Membership in the Illinois Public Works Mutual Aid Network Agreement)*. Finally, Resolution 2025-06 Certificate of Authority by Vote - Authorizes the county engineer to enter into contracts with the State of Illinois. Board member Holocker moved to approve Resolution 2025-06 Certificate of Authority by Vote. Board member Giacometti seconded the motion, which was carried on a roll-call board vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, and 0 absent. *(The Clerk of the County Board was directed to process Resolution 2025-06 Certificate of Authority by Vote.)* Terando is tentatively planning on hosting an Electronic Recycling event around the end of April located in Marshall County. 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 asked the board if the County wanted to participate in a program with DCFS. DCFS is looking for Deputies to employ to assist in the safety when their staff is out in the field. The Sheriff did not have all the details yet, he just needed to know if this is something the county would be interested. The board did like the idea and told the Sheriff to move forward with more information. The Sheriff also reported that they would be participating in the Full-Scale Exercise on Saturday, April 5th that the Bureau/Putnam LEPC is hosting. This exercise consists of 7 different counties, several different departments, and all types of First Responders. 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 not present however, the board reviewed his financial reports for February. The General Fund's Income for February, Fiscal Year 2025, is \$165,588.20 compared to an income of \$158,651.9 for February, Fiscal Year 2024. Kunkel's report included a review of the "General Fund Accounts Balance by Month, Fiscal Year 2025". The General Fund balance for February, Fiscal Year 2025, is \$9,947.69. The General Fund Savings balance for February, Fiscal Year 2025, is \$68,203.40. The Illinois Fund - General Fund balance for February, Fiscal Year 2025, is \$2,617,731.14. Year to date for the Fiscal Year 2025 shows revenues of \$564,563.29 and expenses of \$(980,068.12) for a total of \$(415,504.83). 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 for February. Dolder reported the income collected for the month was \$22,666.97. Early voting has begun, and we have sent out 323 ballots to date. I have started the process for a records disposal, and we are waiting for approval. I have had several kids come in for community service hours. I sent one to EMA to help with cleaning that building. I may have a new employee hired, if so I will have her at the next board meeting to meet you all. On March 19, 2025, I participated in Career Day at the high school. It was a great event and I hope to participate next year. 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 Neubaum was present and presented the board with her audit. A copy of her audit is available in her office. Neubaum also reported that she received a \$81,000 Tech Grant and was able to purchase a new AS400 (Server) for PC Jims and the E-Citation Program for the County. There were no other questions for her.

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

Zoning Administrator Ryan Giacometti was present with one action item. There were no building permits issued for February. Resolution 2025-07 Intergovernmental Agreement Between Marshall County and Putnam County Regarding Joint Employment of a Zoning Administrator. After a little discussion, Board member Rue moved to approve Resolution 2025-07 Intergovernmental Agreement for Zoning Administrator. Board member Hollocker seconded the motion, which was carried on a roll-call board vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. (*The Clerk of the County Board was directed to process Resolution 2025-07 Intergovernmental Agreement Between Marshall County and Putnam County Regarding Joint Employment of a Zoning Administrator.*) The board had no other questions. (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 not present, but his February report was included in the packet. Cofoid reported 1 death for February. Cofoid attended a training in Decatur. Cofoid reported he was looking into a refrigeration unit and will have more information regarding the unit soon. (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 for February. Biagi attended several meetings and training throughout the month as always. Continued planning for the Full-Scale Exercise for the Bureau-Putnam LEPC – continued tabletop and functional exercises, scheduled for April 5, 2025. March and April look like they will be busy at the EMA building, as there are many meetings and trainings scheduled to take place there. There were no other 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:

NCICG – Kevin Lindman was present to discuss grant opportunities with the board. Kevin stated that if the board members had an idea of any project they wanted to do, run it by them, and there might be a grant out there that would fit the project. Board members will gather ideas and revisit with NCICG to see if they have any that would qualify.

The Conservation District has an opening for a board member, and the board would like to appoint Jody Taliani to the Conservation District Board. Board member Hollocker moved to

approve Jody Taliani to the Conservation District Board. Board member Rue seconded the motion, which was carried on a roll-call board vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent.

PC flag redesign for the 200th Anniversary of the Founding of Putnam County. Board Chairman Lenkaitis asked the board if it was okay to ask the PC High School to design a new Putnam County flag. The board agreed it would be nice for the high school to do. Tabled until they have some designs.

Handbook – no update on the handbook

Correspondences and Committee Reports: None

ADJOURN:

At 6:55 P.M., Board member Holocker moved to adjourn the meeting. Board member Rue seconded the motion, which was carried on a roll call board vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, and 0 absent. The meeting was adjourned. The next Regular Meeting of the Putnam County Board is scheduled for Monday, April 14, 2025, at 5:30 P.M. The meeting will be held at the EMA Building.

Respectfully submitted,

TINA DOLDER, Clerk of the Putnam County Board