

PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



117 Putnam Drive, Suite A ♦ Eatonton, GA 31024

Minutes

Friday, October 2, 2020 ♦ 9:00 AM

Putnam County Administration Building – Room 203

The Putnam County Board of Commissioners met on Friday, October 2, 2020 at approximately 9:00 AM in the Putnam County Administration Building, 117 Putnam Drive, Room 203, Eatonton, Georgia.

PRESENT

Chairman Billy Webster
Commissioner Kelvin Irvin
Commissioner Daniel Brown
Commissioner Bill Sharp

STAFF PRESENT

County Attorney Adam Nelson
County Manager Paul Van Haute
County Clerk Lynn Butterworth

Opening

1. Welcome - Call to Order

Chairman Webster called the meeting to order at approximately 9:00 a.m.
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2. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the Agenda.

Motion made by Commissioner Sharp, Seconded by Commissioner Irvin.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Irvin, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Sharp

3. Invocation

Pastor Pete Mattix of Lake Country Baptist Church gave the invocation.

4. Pledge of Allegiance (staff)

County Manager Paul Van Haute led the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. Special Presentations

a. Retirement Proclamation - Carolyn Elaine Waller

The commissioners presented a proclamation and gift card to Jailer Carolyn Elaine Waller congratulating her on her retirement from the Sheriff's Office. Sheriff Howard Sills also congratulated and thanked Ms. Waller and presented her with a plaque.

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b. Report from the 2020 Census Complete Count Committee - Bob Landau

Mr. Bob Landau, Chairman of the 2020 Census Complete Count Committee reported on the work of the committee and thanked everyone involved for their efforts.

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c. BOC Award - Bob Landau

d. BOC Award - Tommy Jefferson

Chairman Webster introduced a new BOC Award for Outstanding Contributions to Putnam County. He announced the first two recipients were Mr. Bob Landau for his work on the Census Committee and Mr. Tommy Jefferson for serving on the Eatonton-Putnam Water and Sewer Authority and the Sinclair Water Authority. They were presented the awards and certificates.

Road Renaming Public Hearing

6. Consideration of renaming Tanglewood Road in District Three

No one signed in to speak at the Public Hearing.

Motion to postpone action on the renaming of Tanglewood Road in District Three until the next regular board meeting.

Motion made by Commissioner Sharp, Seconded by Commissioner Brown.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Irvin, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Sharp

Regular Business Meeting

7. Public Comments

None

8. Consent Agenda

a. Approval of Minutes - September 15, 2020 (staff-CC)

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Motion made by Commissioner Irvin, Seconded by Commissioner Sharp.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Irvin, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Sharp

9. Discussion and possible action regarding the retirement of the 2020 Census Complete Count Committee (BW)

Chairman Webster explained that even though the Census has been extended until October 5, 2020, there is not much else the committee can do.

Motion to retire the 2020 Census Complete Count Committee with our thanks.

Motion made by Commissioner Brown, Seconded by Commissioner Irvin.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Irvin, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Sharp

10. Request to begin process to abandon a portion of Horton Drive (KI)
Chairman Webster explained that in 1971, Mr. N.D. Horton, Sr. deeded some property to the county to extend Horton Drive. The road has never been built and Mr. N.D. Horton, Jr. has requested that the county abandon the road and deed it back to the Hortons.

Motion to begin the process to abandon a portion of Horton Drive.

Motion made by Commissioner Irvin, Seconded by Commissioner Sharp.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Irvin, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Sharp

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11. Approval of proposed changes to the Putnam County Personnel Manual (staff-HR)

Motion to approve the proposed changes to the Putnam County Personnel Manual.

Motion made by Commissioner Sharp, Seconded by Commissioner Irvin.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Irvin, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Sharp

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12. Authorization for staff to schedule a Public Hearing for proposed changes to the Putnam County Code of Ordinances (Appendix E-Broadband Ready Community) (staff-P&D)

Motion to authorize the staff to schedule a Public Hearing on proposed changes to the Putnam County Code of Ordinances - Appendix E (Broadband Ready Community).

Motion made by Commissioner Sharp, Seconded by Commissioner Irvin.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Irvin, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Sharp

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13. Discussion and possible authorization for renegotiation of the Service Delivery Strategy- Solid Waste Disposal Service (BW)

County Manager Van Haute explained that there is an Intergovernmental Agreement between the county and the city that should Solid Waste Disposal Service costs increase by 10% that would automatically trigger renegotiation of the Service Delivery Strategy. That threshold has been reached and Chairman Webster would like to enter into preliminary discussions with the City of Eatonton.

Motion to authorize the Chairman and County Manager to meet with the Mayor and City Administrator to enter into preliminary renegotiations of the Solid Waste Disposal Services portion of the Service Delivery Strategy and report back.

Motion made by Commissioner Sharp, Seconded by Commissioner Irvin.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Irvin, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Sharp

Reports/Announcements

14. County Manager Report

County Manager Van Haute reported the following:

- Need LMIG project requests by next meeting
- Construction on BER will start on Monday

15. County Attorney Report

None

16. Commissioner Announcements
Commissioner Irvin: none

Commissioner Brown: none

Commissioner Sharp: none

Chairman Webster: none

Closing

17. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion made by Commissioner Sharp, Seconded by Commissioner Irvin.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Irvin, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Sharp

Meeting adjourned at approximately 9:40 a.m.

ATTEST:

Lynn Butterworth
County Clerk

Billy Webster
Chairman