

PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



117 Putnam Drive, Suite A ♦ Eatonton, GA 31024

Minutes

Tuesday, November 21, 2017 ♦ 6:30 PM

Putnam County Administration Building – Room 203

The Putnam County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, November 21, 2017 at approximately 6:30 PM in the Putnam County Administration Building, 117 Putnam Drive, Room 203, Eatonton, Georgia

PRESENT

Chairman Stephen Hersey
Commissioner Kelvin Irvin
Commissioner Daniel Brown
Commissioner Alan Foster
Commissioner Trevor Addison

STAFF PRESENT

County Attorney Barry Fleming
Assistant County Manager Lisa Jackson
County Clerk Lynn Butterworth

STAFF ABSENT

County Manager Paul Van Haute

Opening

1. Welcome - Call to Order

Chairman Hersey called the meeting to order at approximately 6:36 p.m. (Copy of agenda made a part of the minutes on minute book page _____.)

2. Invocation

The invocation was given by Lisa Jackson.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Hersey.

Zoning Public Hearing

4. Request by Debra D. Wilson, agent for William L. Daniel, to rezone 9.75 acres at 355 Rabbit Skip Road from AG-1 to R-2 [Map 030, Parcel 003]

Ms. Debra Wilson spoke in support of this request. No one signed in to speak against this item. Planning & Development staff recommendation is for approval.

Motion made by Commissioner Irvin, seconded by Commissioner Addison, to approve the request by Debra D. Wilson, agent for William L. Daniel, to rezone 9.75 acres at 355 Rabbit Skip Road from AG-1 to R-2 [Map 030, Parcel 003]. Motion carried with Commissioners Irvin, Brown, Foster, and Addison and Chairman Hersey voting yes.

Regular Business Meeting

5. Public Comments

Mr. Billy Webster commented on consolidation, specifically the unification of the municipal and state courts.

6. Approval of Agenda

Chairman Hersey advised that an Executive Session was needed.

Motion made by Commissioner Addison, seconded by Commissioner Irvin, to approve the agenda with the addition of an Executive Session. Motion carried with Commissioners Irvin, Brown, Foster, and Addison and Chairman Hersey voting yes.

7. Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of Minutes - November 3, 2017 Regular Meeting
- b. Approval of Minutes - November 9, 2017 Called Meeting
- c. Approval of Minutes - November 9, 2017 Executive Session
- d. Authorization for Chairman to sign Judicial Alternatives of Georgia Probation Services Agreement for State Court of Putnam County
- e. Authorization for Chairman to sign Judicial Alternatives of Georgia Probation Services Agreement for Superior Court of Putnam County

Motion made by Commissioner Addison, seconded by Commissioner Irvin, to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried with Commissioners Irvin, Brown, Foster, and Addison and Chairman Hersey voting yes. (Copy of agreements made a part of the minutes on minute book pages _____.)

8. Appointment to the Region Two Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities Planning Board

Commissioner Addison, seconded by Commissioner Foster, nominated William O. Lombard to serve on the Region Two Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities Planning Board. Commissioners Irvin, Brown, Foster, and Addison and Chairman Hersey voted for William O. Lombard to be appointed to the Region Two Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities Planning Board.

9. Approval to begin process to abandon Price Road
County Attorney Fleming explained the road abandonment process.

Motion made by Commissioner Irvin, seconded by Commissioner Brown, to instruct staff to start the abandonment process for Price Road. Motion carried with Commissioners Irvin, Brown, Foster, and Addison voting yes and Chairman Hersey voting no.

10. Discussion of HR 158

Chairman Hersey advised that he will be bringing a resolution to the board at the December 19th meeting regarding HR 158, which concerns appropriation of funds which are designated for specific purposes but have not gone to the purposes intended. No action was taken.

Executive Session

11. Motion to enter Executive Session as allowed by O.C.G.A. 50-14-4, if necessary, for Personnel, Litigation, or Real Estate

Motion made by Commissioner Irvin, seconded by Chairman Hersey, to enter Executive Session as allowed by O.C.G.A. 50-14-4 for litigation purposes. Motion carried with Commissioners Irvin, Brown, Foster, and Addison and Chairman Hersey voting yes.

Meeting closed at approximately 7:22 p.m.

12. Motion to reopen meeting and Execute Affidavit concerning the subject matter of the closed portion of the meeting

Motion made by Commissioner Addison, seconded by Commissioner Foster, to reopen the meeting and execute an affidavit concerning the subject matter of the closed portion of the meeting. Motion carried with Commissioners Irvin, Brown, Foster, and Addison and Chairman Hersey voting yes. (Copy of affidavit made a part of the minutes on minute book page _____.)

Meeting reopened at approximately 8:20 p.m.

13. Action, if any, resulting from the Executive Session

County Attorney Fleming reported that one legal matter was discussed with no action taken.

Reports/Announcements

14. County Manager Report

No report.

15. County Attorney Report

No report.

16. Commissioner Announcements

Commissioner Irvin: wished everyone a wonderful Thanksgiving and announced that he enjoyed the retreat and thought it was productive

Commissioner Brown: wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving

Commissioner Foster: none

Commissioner Addison: wished everyone a happy and safe Thanksgiving

Chairman Hersey: wished everyone a happy holiday and advised that he will not be at the December 1st BOC meeting; he also announced that the Georgia Heart program has generated over \$375,000 for Putnam General Hospital

Closing

17. Adjournment

Motion made by Commissioner Irvin, seconded by Commissioner Addison, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried with Commissioners Irvin, Brown, Foster, and Addison and Chairman Hersey voting yes.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:26 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lynn Butterworth
County Clerk

Stephen J. Hersey
Chairman