

PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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117 Putnam Drive, Suite A ♦ Eatonton, GA 31024

Agenda

Tuesday, March 17, 2020 ♦ 6:30 PM

Putnam County Administration Building – Room 203

Opening

1. Welcome - Call to Order
2. Invocation
3. Pledge of Allegiance (BS)

Code of Ordinances Public Hearing

4. Proposed adoption of changes to the Putnam County Code of Ordinances - Chapter 2 (Administration) and Chapter 46 (Roads, Bridges, and Other Public Property)

Regular Business Meeting

5. Public Comments
6. Approval of Agenda
7. Consent Agenda
 - a. Approval of Minutes - March 6, 2020 Regular Meeting (staff-CC)
 - b. Approval of Minutes - March 6, 2020 Executive Session (staff-CC)
8. Request from Haband for Tax Waiver (Tax Comm)
9. Chairman's Appointment - BOC Vice Chairman (BW)
10. Appointment to the Sinclair Water Authority (BW)
11. Authorization for Chairman to sign Amended Intergovernmental Agreement between Putnam County, Baldwin County, and the Sinclair Water Authority (BW)
12. COVID-19 Impact Discussion (BW)

Reports/Announcements

13. County Manager Report
14. County Attorney Report
15. Commissioner Announcements

Closing

16. Adjournment

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Item Attachment Documents:

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Item #4.

EXPLANATION OF DOCUMENTS:

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Chapter 2 – ADMINISTRATION**ARTICLE II. - BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Sec. 2-40. - Order of business.

All regular board meetings shall substantially follow an established order of business. The order shall be as follows:

- (1) Call to order;
- (~~7~~ 2) Approval of agenda;
- (~~2~~ 3) Invocation;
- (~~3~~ 4) Pledge of allegiance;
- (4 5) Special presentations;
- (~~5~~ 6) Public hearing, if necessary;
- (~~6~~ 7) Public comments;
- (8) Consent agenda;
- (9) Other agenda items;
- (10) County manager report;
- (11) County attorney report;
- (12) Commissioner announcements;
- (13) Closed session, if necessary;
- (14) Adjournment.

(Ord. of 4-5-2002, § 1.10; Amend. of 3-5-2010; Amend. of 6-19-2012; Ord. of 2-1-2019(1))

Sec. 2-53. - Appointment procedures.

Appointments to all boards, authorities, and commissions shall be conducted in accordance with the procedures contained in this section.

(a) The county clerk shall cause to be published in the county's legal organ an advertisement announcing any vacancies at least 14 days prior to any appointment.

(b) Following the appropriate advertising period, the county clerk, or designee, shall prepare and provide to the commission, a spreadsheet format list of all qualified candidates whose applications were received timely by the county clerk.

(c) Immediately after the agenda item has been called, the clerk will verbally announce the qualified candidates and present their resume. A visually projected image of the spreadsheet prepared in subsection (b) above may be substituted.

(d) For each vacant position, except as outlined in sections 14-4(b) and 66-150(b), each commissioner may nominate anyone on the qualified list. Each nomination must receive a second to be considered for a later vote. While it is desirable to have each district represented on all county boards, authorities, and commissions as well as to have as much representation across the entire county and its constituents as possible, the greater need is to have interested, qualified, and responsible applicants who will provide the greatest contribution to Putnam County in carrying out the necessary functions of these boards, authorities, and commissions. All candidates who have received a nomination and a second can be discussed by the commissioners. Following discussion, a roll call vote will be taken. The proper response, to the call for a vote, is the name of the preferred candidate. The person receiving the majority vote of the commissioners will be the candidate selected. In those cases where there is not a tie and no one has received a majority vote, a second round of voting may be directed by the chairman.

(e) No member of any board, authority, or commission shall be an employee of Putnam County as defined in Section I.D. of the Putnam County Personnel Manual. For the purposes of this subsection, a county commissioner is not considered an employee of Putnam County.

(f) In the event that a position on one of the County's boards, authorities, commissions, or similarly established bodies becomes vacant prior to the expiration of its term, the vacancy shall be filled in the manner described above. If less than one year remains at the time an individual is appointed to fill such a vacancy, that individual shall also be reappointed to the position for the next successive term.

(Amend. of 9-15-2009; Amend. of 11-6-2009(1); Amend. of 11-30-2009(1); Amend. of 10-18-2011(1); Amend. of 3-1-2013; Ord. of 2-1-2019(1))

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Footnotes:

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Cross reference— Any ordinance dedicating, naming, establishing, locating, relocating, opening, widening, paving, etc., any street or public way in the county saved from repeal, § 1-4(6); any ordinance providing for local improvements and assessing taxes therefor saved from repeal, § 1-4(9); buildings and building regulations, ch. 18; environment, ch. 30; floods, ch. 34; planning, ch. 42; traffic and vehicles, ch. 62; cable television franchise, App. A.

State Law reference— Probate court's jurisdiction involving the removal of obstructions from roads, O.C.G.A. § 15-9-30.1; obstructing sidewalks or other public passages, O.C.G.A. § 16-11-43; damaging public property, O.C.G.A. § 16-7-25; Georgia Code of Public Transportation, O.C.G.A. § 32-1-1 et seq.; governmental authorization for construction or maintenance of any private road unlawful, O.C.G.A. § 32-1-8; state, county and municipal road systems, O.C.G.A. § 32-4-1 et seq.; county road systems, O.C.G.A. § 32-4-40 et seq.; regulation of maintenance and use of public roads generally, O.C.G.A. § 32-6-1 et seq.; grants for construction and maintenance of county roads, O.C.G.A. § 36-17-20 et seq.; inspection of and reports on roads and bridges by county police, O.C.G.A. § 36-8-6; power to construct and maintain roads, including curbs, sidewalks, street lights and devices to control the flow of traffic, Ga. Const. art. IX, § II, ¶ III(a)(4).

ARTICLE I. - ~~IN GENERAL~~ **RIGHT-OF-WAY ENCROACHMENT AND EASEMENTS****Division 1. IN GENERAL****Sec. 46-1. – Definitions**

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Encroachment means any natural or manmade feature that gradually intrudes on the county right-of-way and advances beyond private property. This includes placement of posters, signs, and advertisements in violation of O.C.G.A. § 21-1-1 which are considered encroachments if placed within the county right-of-way.

Mailbox means any freestanding or detached structure, container, or receptacle for the delivery of United States Postal Service Mail or other documents including, but not limited to, newspapers.

Masonry means brick, stone, concrete, and all other substances or materials having like properties of weight and/or immovability.

Obstruction means any natural or manmade feature that is on the county right-of-way and could cause injury or limit sight distance to public travelers on the county right-of-way. Obstructions include but are not limited to any masonry structure, entranceway, sign, post, vehicle, tree, or bush exceeding standards as stated in county regulations.

Sec. 46-~~1~~ 2. - Fishing from county bridges; penalty for violation of section. It shall be unlawful for any person to fish from the rights-of-way, causeways or bridges of the county road system. It shall also be unlawful to stand upon or obstruct in any way the rights-of-way, causeways or bridges of the county road system. A person who violates this section shall, upon conviction, be punished as provided in section 1-13.

(Ord. of 4-5-1979)

Sec. 46-3 – Location of Mailboxes

Mailboxes shall be located in compliance to and with the rules and regulations of the United States Postmaster General. On the county roadways without a curb, mailboxes shall be set back no less than eight feet from the nearest edge of the roadway providing adequate space to allow the mail carrier to pull the postal delivery vehicle completely off the vehicular lanes of the county roadway when delivering mail. Where shoulder width does not permit for such distance, the mailbox shall be set back the maximum distance possible from the county roadway. Under no circumstances may the location of the mailbox interfere with the safe use of a county roadway by the traveling public. Any mailbox which fails to conform to the location requirements as provided in this section shall be unlawful and deemed a public nuisance.

Sec. 46-4 – Construction and composition of mailboxes

(a) It shall be unlawful to construct and/or maintain a mailbox within the county right-of-way which fails to meet the construction specifications enumerated in subsection (b) of this section.

(b) In order to safeguard the health and welfare of the traveling public and to ensure uniform standards of function and beautification of the county highway system, mailboxes shall be constructed as follows:

(1) The support structure or post of the mailbox shall not be constructed with masonry material or of any other material which will not readily yield upon impact with a vehicle.

(2) The encasement or housing for the mailbox itself shall not be made of masonry material or of any other material that will not readily yield upon impact with a vehicle.

(3) All posts shall have a maximum width of four inches by four inches or, if round, the post shall have no greater than a four-inch diameter. If a metal post is used to support the mailbox, such post shall be hollow.

Sec. 46-5 – Utility easement

Any person or entity desiring to place in county road rights-of-way items such as: pipes, mains, conduits, cables, wires, poles, towers or other signs or equipment, facilities or appliances of any utility in, on, along, over or under the public road right-of-way of the county must first obtain all required federal, state, and utility permits. Applicant must provide written proof thereof to the board of commissioners and must obtain a permit from the board of commissioners which meets right-of-way policies for installing lines as required by the development regulations as well as meet all other county ordinances and requirements including, but not limited to, soil erosion and sedimentation control, compaction of disturbed soil, driveway repair, land disturbance permits and utility easements. Cutting of improperly located cable by county work crew is the responsibility of the person or entity owning or maintaining the cable.

Sec. 46-6 – Other easements

Any person or entity desiring to utilize county road rights-of-way for placement of any items other than utility easements, as stated in section 46-3, must first obtain a permit from the board of commissioners.

Sec. 46-7. – Utility obstruction

Whenever the board of commissioners shall reasonably determine that any pipe, main, conduit, cable, wire, pole, tower, or other signal or equipment, facilities or appliances of any utility in, on, along, over or under the public roads of the county should be removed or relocated, because it has become an obstruction or interference with the use and/or safe operation of a county road, or will become an obstruction or interference with the use and/or safe operation of a proposed county road, a written notice shall be directed to the utility company, giving at least 60 days' notice to the utility to make such change as is necessary for removal or relocations as may be necessary in the county's reasonable discretion. If the utility does not thereafter begin removal within a reasonable time sufficient to allow for engineering and other procedures reasonably necessary for the removal and relocation of the utility facility, the board of commissioners may give the utility a final notice directing that such removal shall commence not later than ten days from receipt of such final notice. If such removal has not begun within that ten days or if such removal has begun and the relocation has not been completed within 45 days thereof, the board of commissioners may remove or relocate the same with its own employees, or by contracted labor, tools, equipment, supervision, or other necessary services and materials and whatever else is necessary to accomplish the removal or relocation, and the expense thereof shall be charged to the utility. Said expense shall be certified to the county attorney, who shall have the authority to proceed with suit against the utility for same if payment or arrangements to make payments are not made within 60 days after demand by said county attorney. Nothing in this article shall be construed so as to derive any utility, relocated from a location in which it owned a property interest, of comparison for such property interest.

Sec. 46-8. Road boring

No road of any kind may be cut or bored without first obtaining a permit from the board of commissioners. Upon application, together with a \$25.00 permit fee and issuance of a road boring permit, an on-site inspection is required by the road superintendent not less than 72 hours prior to commencing work. Upon application and approval, borings must be a minimum of three feet below the ditch line and must utilize steel casings which extend to the ditch line. All permits must also meet state permit specifications on all county roads where state funds are involved.

Sec. 46-9 Indemnification agreement

Prior to the commencement of any work and issuance of any permits pursuant to this article, the person or entity desiring to utilize county road rights-of-way shall file with the board of commissioners an indemnification agreement, indemnifying the county against any and all claims and liability arising out of that person or entity's utilization of such county road right-of-way. The form of the indemnification agreement shall be designated by resolution of the board of commissioners.

Sec. 46-2 10. - Provisions saved from repeal.

The county's road construction ordinance as adopted June 6, 1974, and amended by a resolution adopted April 15, 1997, and the county's rights-of-way ordinance as adopted on July 21, 1987, and amended by ordinances adopted October 10, 1987, and February 21, 1989, are not repealed and shall continue in full force and effect pending a revision of the subject matter by the county.

Secs. 46-3 11—46-80. - Reserved.

ARTICLE II. - ROAD USE AND ~~LOGGING CONTROL~~ **TIMBER HARVESTING ACTIVITY**

DIVISION 1. - GENERALLY

Sec. 46-81. - ~~Supervision.~~ **Definitions.**

~~All work for which a permit is granted under this article shall be under direction and supervision of the county road superintendent or his designee who shall have the authority to order the applicant to immediately cease all logging operations when the weather conditions compromise public safety or public property.
(Ord. of 7-11-1995, § 4)~~

As used in this article, *timber harvesting* shall mean the harvesting of standing timber for delivery as pulpwood, logs, poles, posts, or wood chips to any woodyard or processing plant located inside or outside this state. Such term shall not apply to landscaping or removal of dead or diseased trees from public or private property.

Stop Work Order is a legal notice requiring immediate suspension of all **work** and timber harvesting at the given location. A fee of \$400 must be paid to Planning & Development prior to removal of Stop Work Order.

Sec. 46-82. - ~~Penalties for violation of article.~~ **Purpose and intent.**

~~Any person, corporation, business, partnership or consortium who performs activity in violation of this article shall be liable to fine and/or injunction, mandamus and/or other procedure by any governmental body, or by an entity aggrieved by such activities. The building inspector, the code enforcement officer or the county sheriff or any of his deputies may issue a citation for a violation of this article. The citation shall be returnable to the county magistrate court. A person who violates this article shall, upon conviction, be punished as provided in section 1-13. (Ord. of 7-11-1995, § 9)~~

It is the purpose and intent of this article to protect the public streets and roads in the unincorporated area of the county from damage, including erosion and deposits of sedimentation, that often occur from timber harvesting activities. This article is enacted pursuant to the authority of the local governing authority to regulate streets or roads within its jurisdiction in accordance with O.C.G.A. Title 32. Nothing in this article is intended to preclude the county from imposing regulations on private land use activities relating to development, such as zoning, tree protection, landscaping, or streamside buffer regulations.

Secs. 46-83—46-105. - Reserved.

DIVISION 2. - PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

Sec. 46-106. - Required; permit. **Application process.**

~~No person shall begin to construct, reconstruct, repair, alter or grade any driveway, curb or curb cut on the public roads, including state roads, within the unincorporated areas of the county for conducting any logging, pulpwood or timber operations within the unincorporated areas of the county, without first obtaining a permit from the Putnam County Planning and Development Department in the manner specified in this division. In addition, the appropriate form for ad valorem taxation must be obtained. (Ord. of 7-11-1995, § 1; Amend. of 4-19-2005; Amend. of 4-7-2006)~~

All timber harvesters harvesting timber in Putnam County must comply with all relevant provisions of O.C.G.A. § 12-6-24 in order to use any public street or road(s) in the county for transporting harvested timber, other than a federal or state highway.

(a) An appointment for ingress/egress inspection shall be scheduled 24 hours in advance of the commencement of activity with the public works department to allow the public works director or his designated agent to inspect the site prior to any activity at the proposed ingress/egress location.

(b) The following minimum standards shall be met unless directed otherwise by the public works director or his designated agent:

- (1) Use geotextile underliner minimum 20 feet wide under gravel pad.
- (2) Minimum drive width shall be 20 feet.
- (3) Minimum thickness of six inches constructed of one and one-half inches to three and one-half inches of coarse aggregate for a minimum drive length of 50 feet.

(4) The street or road, at each ingress/egress point, shall be posted with four 48-inch orange "Trucks Entering Highway" advance warning signs placed on the shoulder of the road at 500 feet and 1,000 feet intervals from both directions. Signs and posts shall conform to the current edition of the Manual for Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

(5) All tree harvesting activities shall be performed in accordance with generally accepted forestry land management practices and/or agricultural operations, not incidental to development, on tracts zoned for or used for forestry, silvicultural, or agricultural purpose.

(c) No harvester equipment or vehicle(s) may be parked on a public right-of-way or use the public right-of-way as a loading facility.

(d) Once items (a) through (c)(4) have been accomplished and notification given to the public works director or his designated agent, the timber harvester must provide the following to the director of the planning and development or his or her designee:

(1) Persons or firms conducting timber harvesting activities in Putnam County shall furnish to the county, a surety bond in the sum of \$5,000.00 in a form required by law and approved by the county attorney prior to beginning any timber harvesting activities or, at the option of the person or firm harvesting timber, a valid irrevocable letter of credit issued by a bank or savings and loan association, as defined in O.C.G.A. § 7-1-4, in the amount of and in lieu of such bond. A separate surety bond or letter of credit shall not be required for each tract for which timber harvesting is to occur. In addition, a map of the area identifying the location of the tract to be harvested and the main point and any alternate points of ingress to such tract from a public road and, if different, any point of egress from such a tract to a public road. Said bond or letter of credit shall indemnify and protect the county from any damage to public street or road(s) or clean-up cost associated with any timber harvesting activity conducted.

(2) Said bond(s) or letter(s) of credit shall be valid only for the calendar year in which it is issued.

(3) Timber harvester shall submit a fully completed notice of timber harvesting activity, in the form approved by the Georgia Forestry Commission, as found on its website, along with all requested additional information and surety bond(s) or bank letter(s) of credit to the planning and development department, which then shall review the documentation submitted and notify the timber harvester of approval or denial to proceed with the timber harvesting process.

Pursuant to the soil erosion, sedimentation and pollution control ordinance, subsection 42-67(c), a citation will be issued immediately upon proof of any sediment entering onto a public street or road or sedimentation entering any waters of the state or United States.

Editor's note— Persons constructing, reconstructing or improving any commercial driveway, as such term is defined in O.C.G.A. § 31-6-130, are required to obtain a permit from the state department of transportation prior to undertaking such work. See O.C.G.A. § 32-6-131.

~~Sec. 46-107. General standards for issuance.~~

The director of the planning and development department or his/her designee shall issue a permit when he/she finds that:

- (1) ~~The plans for the proposed operation have been approved by the county road superintendent or his designee to whom such plans shall be forwarded by the building inspector within ten days after receipt thereof.~~
 - (2) ~~The work shall be done according to the standard specifications of the board of commissioners for public work of like character. Signs shall be posted and gravel put down at each exit.~~
 - (3) ~~The operation will not unreasonably interfere with vehicular and pedestrian traffic and the means of ingress to and egress from the affected and adjacent properties.~~
 - (4) ~~The safety of the public will not be impaired.~~
- (Ord. of 7-11-1995, § 3; Amend. of 4-19-2005; Amend. of 4-7-2006)

~~Sec. 46-108. Application.~~

~~Every person required to procure a permit under the provisions of this article relating to the subject matter of this article, shall submit an application for such permit to the Putnam County Planning and Development Department. The application shall state the following:~~

- (1) ~~Name and address of the applicant;~~
 - (2) ~~Name and address of the property owner;~~
 - (3) ~~Location of any work proposed to be done and the name of the person who is to do such work; and~~
 - (4) ~~Estimated date of commencement and date of completion of the proposed work, and other data or plans as may reasonably be required by the county building inspector and the county road superintendent.~~
- (Ord. of 7-11-1995, § 5; Amend. of 4-19-2005; Amend. of 4-7-2006)

~~Sec. 46-109. Plan required.~~

~~Prior to approval by the road superintendent or his designee for any logging operations permit, the applicant shall submit a plan of all driveways used for such operations which are adjacent to any public road, to the superintendent who shall have the authority to require installation of a pipe under such driveways.~~

(Ord. of 7-11-1995, § 6)

~~Sec. 46-110. Bond.~~

~~An applicant for a permit under this article shall file a bond or a valid irrevocable letter of credit issued by a bank or savings and loan association in the amount of \$5,000.00 with his application conditioned to protect and save harmless the board of commissioners from all claims for cleaning or repairing any county road. A separate bond shall be required for each separate operation and each exit. Any such surety bond or letter of credit shall be valid only for the calendar year in which it was delivered.~~

(Ord. of 7-11-1995, § 2; Amend. of 4-19-2005)

Sec. 46-111. **107.** - Display.

It shall be the duty of any permittee under this article to keep the permit issued to him **notice of timber harvest activity** in a conspicuous place at the site of the work

or activity to be engaged in. It shall be unlawful for any person to exhibit such permit **notice** at or about any location not covered thereby, or to misrepresent the number of the permit **notice** or the date of expiration of the permit.
(Ord. of 7-11-1995, § 7)

~~Sec. 46-112. Limitation on issuance.~~

~~Notwithstanding any other provision of this article, no permit shall be issued to any applicant therefor who has failed to satisfy any bonding requirements imposed upon persons engaged in the kind of work or activity proposed to be done and carried out by such applicant.~~

~~(Ord. of 7-11-1995, § 8)~~

Item Attachment Documents:

- 7. Consent Agenda
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 - b. Approval of Minutes - March 6, 2020 Executive Session (staff-CC)

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117 Putnam Drive, Suite A ♦ Eatonton, GA 31024

Minutes

Friday, March 6, 2020 ♦ 9:00 AM

Putnam County Administration Building – Room 203

The Putnam County Board of Commissioners met on Friday, March 6, 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. (Copy of agenda made a part of the minutes on minute book page _____.)

2. Invocation

Dr. Ford G'Segner was unable to attend the meeting. His invocation was read by County Clerk Butterworth.

3. Pledge of Allegiance (BS)

Commissioner Sharp led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Special Presentation

a. Courthouse Landscape Committee

Mr. Keith Fielder, Chairman of the Courthouse Landscape Committee, reported on courthouse landscape options: Cost Level One = basic maintenance and care; Cost Level Two = maintenance contract with commercial landscape company; Cost Level Three = replacement of existing turf. He also recommended additional shrubs, annuals and perennials, and trees.

(Copy of report made a part of the minutes on minute book pages _____ to _____.)

Item #7.

Regular Business Meeting

5. Public Comments

None

6. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the Agenda.

Motion made by Commissioner Irvin, Seconded by Commissioner Sharp.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Irvin, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Sharp

7. Consent Agenda

a. Approval of Minutes - February 18, 2020 Regular Meeting (staff-CC)

b. Approval of Minutes - February 26, 2020 Called Meeting (staff-CC)

c. Approval of 2020 Alcohol Licenses (staff-CC)

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Motion made by Commissioner Sharp, Seconded by Commissioner Irvin.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Irvin, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Sharp

(Copy of alcohol licenses made a part of the minutes on minute book pages _____ to _____.)

8. Appointments to the Board of Assessors (staff-CC)

full term:

Nomination for Shelby Storey to be appointed to the Board of Assessors for a full four-year term.

Nomination made by Commissioner Sharp, Seconded by Commissioner Brown.

Voting for Shelby Storey: Commissioner Irvin, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Sharp

Nomination for John Richter to be appointed to the Board of Assessors to fill an unexpired term ending on November 17, 2021.

Nomination made by Commissioner Brown, Seconded by Commissioner Irvin.

Voting for John Richter: Commissioner Irvin, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Sharp

Reports/Announcements

9. County Manager Report

County Manager Van Haute advised that due to the excessive rains, the Governor has declared a state of emergency for a large portion of Georgia, which includes Putnam County. He also announced that Fire Chief Shane Hill is retiring after 31 years and a retirement and change of command ceremony will be held on Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at noon at the Administration Building. A new chief, Tommy McClain, has been hired and will be here for the ceremony.

10. County Attorney Report

County Attorney Nelson advised that an Executive Session was needed for two Personnel matters.

11. Commissioner Announcements

Commissioner Irvin: none

Commissioner Brown: commented that he has been approached by constituents who are trying to stay current on what's happening by watching the live streamed commissioner meetings, but they are boring.

Commissioner Sharp: invited everyone to the Lake Country Chorus on Saturday night at The Plaza. Tickets are available for \$20 each.

Chairman Webster: none

Executive Session

12. Enter Executive Session as allowed by O.C.G.A. 50-14-4 for Personnel, Litigation, or Real Estate

Motion to enter Executive Session as allowed by O.C.G.A. 50-14-4 for personnel.

Motion made by Commissioner Sharp, Seconded by Commissioner Irvin.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Irvin, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Sharp

Meeting closed at approximately 9:42 a.m.

13. Reopen Meeting and execute Affidavit concerning the subject matter of the closed portion of the meeting

Motion to reopen the meeting and authorize the Chairman to sign the affidavit concerning the subject matter of the closed portion of the meeting.

Motion made by Commissioner Sharp, Seconded by Commissioner Irvin.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Irvin, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner, Sharp

(Copy of affidavit made a part of the minutes on minute book page _____.)

Meeting reconvened at approximately 10:37 a.m.

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

No action was taken.

Closing

15. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting.**Motion made by Commissioner Irvin, Seconded by Commissioner Sharp.****Voting Yea: Commissioner Irvin, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Sharp**

Meeting adjourned at approximately 10:39 a.m.

ATTEST:

Lynn Butterworth
County ClerkBilly Webster
Chairman

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The draft minutes of the March 6, 2020 Executive Sessions are available for Commissioner review in the Clerk's office.

Item #7.

Item Attachment Documents:

8. Request from Haband for Tax Waiver (Tax Comm)

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Item #8.

Tax Commissioner Request Submitted on Behalf of Taxpayer

Date:

Name on Tax Bill:

Map & Parcel Number(s):

Nature of Request:

Tax Years:	Original FMV:	Original Tax Bill:	Penalties Added:	Interest Added:	Fees Added:	Total Due:	Paid as of Request Date:	Remaining Due:
2019	25,012,385.00	342,299.00		9,056.00		351,355.00		351,355.00

Total Waiver Requested:

\$ 218,744.00

Taxpayer's Reason for Requesting Waiver:

SEE ATTACHED LETTER FROM HABAND AND TAX COMMISSIONER'S WORKSHEET.

Signature: Pamela K. Lancaster
Pamela K. Lancaster, Putnam County Tax Commissioner

Date: 03/05/2020

Signature: SEE ATTACHED

Date: _____

FOR COUNTY USE ONLY:

Request Approved: _____
Request Denied: _____

Signature of Chairman, Putnam County Board of Commissioners: _____

Notes:

Haband[®]

February 25, 2020

Putnam County Board of Commissioners
117 Putnam Drive
Eatonton, GA 31024

RE: Haband Operations, LLC
2019 Tax Bill number 009284
Property Description: 02 Inventory/Equipment
Map Number: P1 9200

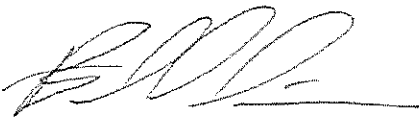
Dear Board of Commissioners:

After receiving our 2019 tax notice for inventory and equipment (copy attached), we realized that we had not been granted a freeport exemption for our inventory.

We understand that the 2019 tax notice is based on the values reported on our 2018 filing and we understand that an annual filing needs to be completed to claim the freeport exemption. Due to a change in personnel, the 2019 filing was inadvertently omitted. Haband has filed business personal property tax returns in Putnam County for decades, requesting and being granted a freeport exemption for our inventory each and every year.

As one of the largest employers in the City of Eatonton and due to the critical need for this exemption to our operations, we respectfully request that a freeport exemption be granted retroactively and that our 2019 tax be adjusted accordingly. If you have any questions or need additional information, please call me at 952-656-4058.

Sincerely,



Brad Atkinson
Chief Accounting Officer and Controller

CC: Jerry Hobbs, Putnam County Tax Commission

Haband Operations, LLC
 Analysis of 2019 Ad Valorem Tax Bill / Account 9200P

	Fair Market Value	Exemptions	Net FMV	40% Assessed Value	County	School	City **	Total Bill
2019 As Billed:								
Inventory	22,142,884.00	-	22,142,884.00	8,857,154.00	72,655.00	141,856.00	88,518.00	303,029.00
Equip / Furn / Fix	2,869,501.00	-	2,869,501.00	1,147,800.00	9,415.00	18,384.00	11,471.00	39,270.00
Total, as billed:	25,012,385.00	-	25,012,385.00	10,004,954.00	82,070.00	160,240.00	99,989.00	342,299.00
Interest thru 03/31/20					2,083.00	4,166.00	2,807.00	9,056.00
Amount due thru 03/31/20					84,153.00	164,406.00	102,796.00	351,355.00
2019 With Exemptions:								
Inventory	22,142,884.00	21,997,814.00	145,070.00	58,028.00	476.00	929.00	88,518.00	89,923.00
Equip / Furn / Fix	2,869,501.00	-	2,869,501.00	1,147,800.00	9,415.00	18,384.00	11,471.00	39,270.00
Total, with exemptions:	25,012,385.00	21,997,814.00	3,014,571.00	1,205,828.00	9,891.00	19,313.00	99,989.00	129,193.00
Interest thru 03/31/20					262.00	511.00	2,807.00	3,418.00
Amount due thru 03/31/20					10,153.00	19,824.00	102,796.00	132,611.00
NOTES:								
** City did not have Freeport exemptions for 2019								
Per state law, 5% penalty will be added on unpaid balance as of April 1, 2020								

Pamela K Larcaiter
 03/05/2020

**PUTNAM COUNTY
TAX ASSESSORS**

Memo

To: CHUCK ANGLIN, CHIEF APPRAISER
From: LESIA REID, PERSONAL PROPERTY APPRAISER
Date: 3/10/2020
Re: HABAND OPERATIONS, LLC

FOR 2019 TAX YEAR HABAND OPERATIONS, LLC DID NOT FILE A BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY RETURN NOR DID THEY FILE A FREEPORT EXEMPTION APPLICATION.

THE ESTIMATION OF TAXES HAD THEY FILED FREEPORT FOR 2019 IS BASED ON THE VALUE THEY REPORTED FOR 2018 SINCE NO RETURN WAS FILED FOR 2019. THEIR FAIR MARKET VALUE FLUCTUATES EACH YEAR THEREFORE THIS ESTIMATION IN NO WAY REFLECTS WHAT THE ACTUAL TAXES WOULD HAVE BEEN HAD THEY FILED PROPERLY.

2019 ESTIMATION OF TAXES BASED ON 2018 VALUES WITH FREEPORT APPLIED WOULD HAVE BEEN \$129,193.46

- ALL 2019 BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY REPORTING FORMS WERE MAILED ON DECEMBER 19, 2018.
- ALL 2019 FREEPORT INVENTORY EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS WERE MAILED TO ALL PREVIOUS YEAR (2018) APPLICANTS ON DECEMBER 19, 2018.
- ON MAY 23, 2019 @ 16:05PM AN EMAIL WAS SENT TO ANTHONY.PICCINICH@BLUESTEM.COM TO LET HIM KNOW PUTNAM COUNTY HAD NOT RECEIVED A BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY RETURN OR FREEPORT APPLICATION FOR HABAND.
- ON MAY 23, 2019 @ 16:05PM THIS EMAIL WAS RETURNED AS "UNDELIVERABLE".
- ON MAY 23, 2019 @ 16:07PM THIS SAME EMAIL WAS SENT TO ANTHONY.PICCINICH@HABAND.NET.
- ON MAY 23, 2019 @ 16:07PM THIS EMAIL WAS RETURNED AS "EMAIL DELIVERY FAILURE".
- THE 2019 ANNUAL NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT FOR HABAND WAS MAILED ON MAY 28, 2019 WITH THE LAST DAY TO APPEAL ON JULY 12, 2019 WHICH HAD THE TOTAL ESTIMATED TAX OF \$346,131.39.

----- Original message -----

From: Eric Arena <eric_arena@putnam.k12.ga.us>
Date: 3/16/20 1:14 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Billy F. Webster"
Cc: Derick Austin <Derick_Austin@putnam.k12.ga.us>
Subject: RE: Haband

Chairman Webster,

I have reviewed the Haband "tax forgiveness" request with our attorney and our Board of Education members. The Putnam County Charter School System understands Haband's request for "tax forgiveness" but cannot support forgiving this tax burden. I do apologize for my delay in putting our position in writing per our conversation last week.

Regards,

Eric

Eric Arena

Superintendent

Putnam County Charter School System

158 Old Glenwood Springs Road

Eatonton, GA 31024

Item Attachment Documents:

9. Chairman's Appointment - BOC Vice Chairman (BW)

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Item #9.

Sec. 2-36. - Vice-chairperson.

The chairperson shall select a vice-chairperson from the board members at the beginning of each calendar year. The vice-chairperson shall fulfill the duties of the chairperson if the chairperson is not in attendance and shall vote on all matters in order to represent his or her district.

If the chairperson and the vice chairperson are absent and a quorum is present the remaining commissioners shall select a commissioner to serve as temporary chairperson of the meeting until either the chairperson or vice-chairperson is present at the meeting.

(Ord. of 4-5-2002, § 1.06; Amend. of 11-6-2009(1))

Item Attachment Documents:

10. Appointment to the Sinclair Water Authority (BW)

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Item #10.

PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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DISTRICT ONE:
KELVIN IRVIN

DISTRICT TWO:
DANIEL W. BROWN

CHAIRMAN:
BILLY WEBSTER

DISTRICT THREE:
B. W. "BILL" SHARP

DISTRICT FOUR:
TREVOR J. ADDISON

March 9, 2020

Putnam County Board of Commissioners
Commissioner Kelvin Irvin
Commissioner Daniel Brown
Commissioner Bill Sharp
117 Putnam Drive, Suite A
Eatonton, GA 31024

Dear Commissioners:

In accordance with House Bill 398, Section 6. (b) the Sinclair Water Authority (SWA) Board shall be comprised of "(1) One board member shall be the chairman of the Board of Commissioners of each member county, unless such official notifies the governing authority of that county that such official does not wish to serve on the board, in which such event that governing authority shall appoint one of its members to serve on the board in place of the chairman."

Let this letter serve to officially notify the members of the Putnam County Board of Commissioners that I do not wish to serve on the SWA Board. Therefore, the required appointment to the SWA Board will be an agenda item at the March 17, 2020 BOC meeting.

Sincerely,

Billy Webster

Billy F. Webster
Chairman

BFW/lb

cc: Paul Van Haute, Lynn Butterworth, Tommy Jefferson, Barry Fleming, Shannon Sneed, Bobby Brown, Joey Witcher, Henry Craig, Sammy Hall

Item #10.

Item Attachment Documents:

11. Authorization for Chairman to sign Amended Intergovernmental Agreement between Putnam County, Baldwin County, and the Sinclair Water Authority (BW)

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Item #11.

**SECOND AMENDMENT
TO
INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
PUTNAM COUNTY, GEORGIA,
BALDWIN COUNTY, GEORGIA,
AND
SINCLAIR WATER AUTHORITY**

This Second Amendment made and entered into by, between and among **PUTNAM COUNTY, GEORGIA**, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, hereinafter called "Putnam"; **BALDWIN COUNTY, GEORGIA**, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, hereinafter called "Baldwin"; and **SINCLAIR WATER AUTHORITY**, a public authority organized and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia, hereinafter called "SWA";

WHEREAS, the parties hereto have entered into an Intergovernmental Agreement, hereinafter called "the Agreement", regarding the provision of potable water to Putnam and Baldwin, said Agreement effective as of May 17, 2006 and first amended January 4, 2007; and

WHEREAS, in May of 2006, in Paragraph One (1) of said Agreement, the parties indicated their understanding that the plant was expected to have a capacity of approximately four million gallons of potable water per day as there was no operational data on which to determine its exact capacity; and

WHEREAS, due to operational efficiencies, the plant as originally constructed has been determined, and has been permitted by the appropriate governmental agencies, as having a capacity of up to six (6) million gallons of potable water per day; and

WHEREAS, Paragraph 1. of the Agreement allocates to Putnam and Baldwin one-half each of the daily production of potable water, and Paragraph 8. of the Agreement specifies that Putnam and Baldwin each are allotted one-half of the capacity of the plant; and

WHEREAS, Paragraph 6. of the Agreement specifies the determination of Total Cost, Variable Cost, and Base Charges as follows:

Total Cost – amount necessary: a.) to fully fund the debt service for the plant, including reserves; b.) to fund all of the ordinary and necessary operating expenses and costs of the plant that are necessary to operate the plant at the level required to fulfill the needs of both of said counties; and c.) to provide a reasonable annual contingency fund.

Variable Cost – Costs which are directly correlated to the total volume of water produced, consisting of all utility costs, chemical treatment and monitoring costs, and the cost of water purchased from Georgia Power Company.

Base Charges – Total Cost minus Variable Cost; and

WHEREAS, the 18 inch water transmission line which extends from a point on the side of U. S. Highway 441 south of Lake Sinclair at Little River Park to a point north of Jackson Road and south of Cay Drive was originally installed, owned, and operated by Baldwin County by agreement of the parties to provide water to Putnam prior to the construction of the plant. The agreement anticipated that SWA would be the eventual owner of the line with responsibility for its maintenance and with full control of its use. By deed dated as of November 10, 2008, Baldwin conveyed an undivided interest in said line to SWA, subject to certain restrictions more fully set out in said deed which is recorded in Deed Book 808, page 792-, Putnam County Deed Records; and

WHEREAS, it is to the benefit of the Parties to recognize that certain issues have arisen that were not anticipated prior to the plant going into operation, to clarify certain provisions, and to provide a method of cost and expense allocation that will resolve any issues as to what could/should be considered variable and to resolve issues regarding said 18 inch line; and

WHEREAS, Putnam and Baldwin recognize that the provision of a safe and adequate water supply for their citizens is a basic service and one that will determine the future growth and success of their respective counties and desire to address all issues between them to assure the long term viability of this major asset and to do so in a fair and equitable manner;

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the mutual benefits and covenants provided herein, the Parties hereto hereby agree to amend the Intergovernmental Agreement as follows:

1.

Putnam and Baldwin do hereby expressly agree the functional daily capacity for production of potable water of SWA facilities shall be stated to be 5.5 million gallons of potable water per day. The parties further agree any change or modification to the agreed upon functional daily capacity of five and one-half (5.5) million gallons per day for production of potable water of SWA facilities must be agreed to in writing by all parties to the agreement, regardless of the capability of SWA facilities to produce potable water.

The parties further agree that SWA shall continue to provide such infrastructure as may be necessary to operate and maintain SWA facilities in a manner that allows for the production of up to five and one-half (5.5) million gallons of potable water per day.

2.

In lieu of the current allocation of costs for the operation of SWA facilities, the parties agree to all operational costs borne by the parties under the existing intergovernmental agreement, both variable and base as defined therein and set out above, shall be designated as Total Cost. The parties further agree that the Total Cost shall be paid on a monthly basis by the parties as follows: Baldwin shall be responsible for fifty-five percent (55%) of the Total Cost and Putnam shall be responsible for forty-five percent (45%) of the Total Cost, unless and until that formula is modified as provided for herein.

3.

Allocation of the Plant's capacity:

a. The allocation of the Plant's capacity shall be changed from the current schedule of one-half each to Putnam and one-half to Baldwin to a new schedule of fifty-five percent (55%) to Baldwin, amounting to 3.025 million gallons per day on a monthly average and forty-five percent (45%) to Putnam, amounting to 2.475 million gallons per day on a monthly average; and

b. Neither County shall exceed their allotted capacity for a period of three consecutive months, based upon the average per day usage for that three month period without express written consent of the other County. In the event that either County exceeds their allotted capacity for a period of three consecutive months, based upon the average per day usage for that three month period, without express written consent of the other County, the County exceeding its allotment shall pay to SWA its proportionate share of the Total Costs, as defined herein, plus an additional 5% of its share of the Total Cost for each month it has exceeded its share of usage, which shall be a credit against the non-breaching County's share of the Total Cost; and

c. Projected usage for 2020 for Baldwin County is 745.296 million gallons of water on an annual basis and projected 2020 usage for Putnam County is 374.688 million gallons of water on an annual basis, representing 66.5% usage by Baldwin and 33.5% usage by Putnam. For 2020, SWA shall provide to both Counties monthly projections of their respective usages based upon prior years experience, increased by the percent increase of total projected usage over the previous year's usage, and adjusted to reflect the 66.5% Baldwin and the 33.5% Putnam usage on an annual basis. Beginning in 2021 and continuing each year thereafter, SWA shall provide to the Counties not later than December 1 of each year the total projected usage for the following year and the projected usages for each county for each calendar month for that year, adjusted to reflect the 66.5/33.5 percentages. In the event that either County exceeds its projected usage by more than three percent (3%) over any six month period, AND such increased usage results in an increase in their percentage of total usage by not less than 3%, then the cost allocation percentages provided for herein shall change by one percent (1%) for every three percent (3%) increase in usage for a period of six months thereafter. For example, if Baldwin's usage increases by more than 3% over its projected usage and that change in usage results in Baldwin's percentage of usage increasing from its projected usage percentage of 66.5% to 69.5% then the Total Cost allocation shall change from 55/45 to 56/44 or if Putnam's projected usage increases resulting in its percentage of usage increasing from 33.5% to 36.5%, then the Total Cost allocation shall change to 54/46; PROVIDED HOWEVER, that in no event shall either County pay less than 40% nor more than 60% of said Total Costs. In the event the Total Cost allocation is revised pursuant to this provision, such allocation shall remain in effect for six months subsequent to SWA's determination of such usage in excess of the projected usage. Any month in which usage exceeded the projected usage for either County may only be considered for purposes of revising the total cost allocation pursuant to this provision once; and

d. Implementation beginning April 1, 2020: For the remainder of 2020, SWA shall deduct from its 2020 budget, revenue received from the two counties for the months of January, February and March of 2020. The remaining revenue required from the two counties for 2020 shall be divided by nine and Baldwin County shall pay 55% of that amount for nine equal monthly payments and Putnam shall pay 45% of that amount in nine equal monthly payments. Beginning in 2021 and continuing each year thereafter, SWA shall provide its proposed budget for each year to both counties not later than December 1 prior to the following year and shall establish equal monthly billings for each county for that year.

Equal monthly billings are subject to the following two adjustments: i.) adjustment to the 55/45 formula as provided in 3 (c) above and/or ii.) an unforeseen expense incurred during a year by SWA that requires a budget amendment. In the event of such an amendment, SWA shall immediately notify both counties and adjust their respective billing amounts to provide the revenue for that amendment with the change in billing amounts not to begin earlier than the beginning of the following billing period that is not less than 45 days from that notice.

4.

All other terms and conditions in the Original IGA not specifically amended herein remain in full force and effect and are hereby ratified and confirmed by the parties.

5.

Time is of the essence of this Agreement.

6.

This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of, and shall be binding upon, the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have hereunto set their hands and seals by and through their duly authorized agents, having been approved at meetings duly held, and with true and correct copies hereof being spread upon the minutes of each of the Counties hereto and said Authority, all as provided by applicable law, to be effective as of April 1, 2020.

PUTNAM COUNTY, GEORGIA (SEAL)

By: _____

Title: _____

Attest: _____

Title: _____

BALDWIN COUNTY, GEORGIA (SEAL)

By: _____

Title: _____

Attest: _____

Title: _____

SINCLAIR WATER AUTHORITY (SEAL)

By: _____

Title: _____

Attest: _____

Title: _____