

PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



117 Putnam Drive, Suite A ♦ Eatonton, GA 31024

Minutes

Friday, August 6, 2021 ♦ 9:00 AM

Putnam County Administration Building – Room 203

The Putnam County Board of Commissioners met on Friday, August 6, 2021 at approximately 9:00 AM in the Putnam County Administration Building, 117 Putnam Drive, Room 203, Eatonton, Georgia.

PRESENT

Chairman Billy Webster
Commissioner Gary McElhenney
Commissioner Daniel Brown
Commissioner Bill Sharp
Commissioner Jeff Wooten

STAFF PRESENT

County Attorney Simon Williams
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. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the Agenda.

Motion made by Commissioner Sharp, Seconded by Commissioner Wooten.

Voting Yea: Commissioner McElhenney, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Sharp, Commissioner Wooten

3. Invocation - Mrs. Judy Fain

Mrs. Judy Fain gave the invocation.

4. Pledge of Allegiance (JW)

Commissioner Wooten led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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5. Special Presentation - Eatonton-Putnam Chamber of Commerce Bi-Annual Report
Eatonton-Putnam Chamber of Commerce President Maggie Milner gave a report on the year-to-date activities of the Chamber. No action was taken.
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Regular Business Meeting

6. Public Comments

Mr. Steve Sammons commented on Sammons Parkway and the new convenience center that is being built there. He submitted photos of the area.
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7. Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of Minutes - July 2, 2021 Regular Meeting (staff-CC)
- b. Approval of Minutes - July 12, 2021 Budget Work Session (staff-CC)
- c. Approval of Minutes - July 13, 2021 Budget Work Session (staff-CC)
- d. Approval of Minutes - July 20, 2021 Listening Session (staff-CC)
- e. Approval of Minutes - July 20, 2021 Executive Session (staff-CC)
- f. Authorization for Chairman to sign ACCG Group Self-Insurance Workers' Compensation Fund (GSIWCF) Safety Discount Verification Form (staff-HR)
- g. Authorization for Chairman to sign ACCG Interlocal Risk Management Agency (IRMA) Safety Discount Verification Form (staff-HR)

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Motion made by Commissioner McElhenney, Seconded by Commissioner Sharp.

Voting Yea: Commissioner McElhenney, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Sharp, Commissioner Wooten

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8. Appointment to the Central Georgia Joint Development Authority (staff-CC)

Commissioner Brown nominated Bill Sharp to continue serving on the Central Georgia Joint Development Authority.

Nomination made by Commissioner Brown, Seconded by Commissioner Wooten.

Voting Yea: Commissioner McElhenney, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Wooten

Voting Abstaining: Commissioner Sharp

9. Appointment of the Chairman of the Planning and Zoning Commission (staff-CC)

Chairman Webster nominated Alan Foster to serve as Chairman of the Planning & Zoning Commission.

Nomination made by Chairman Webster, Seconded by Commissioner Brown.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Sharp, Commissioner Wooten

Voting Nay: Commissioner McElhenney

Reports/Announcements

10. County Manager Report

No report.

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11. County Attorney Report

No report, but an Executive Session is needed for litigation purposes.

12. Commissioner Announcements

Commissioner McElhenney: congratulated Commissioner Wooten for completing the commissioner training program

Commissioner Brown: congratulated Vincent Hancock on winning another gold medal in the Olympics

Commissioner Sharp: thanked the Fire Department, EMS and Sheriff's Office for participating in Sebastian Cove's National Night Out on August 3, 2021

Commissioner Wooten: none

Chairman Webster: announced that the Twin Bridges memorial ceremony for Mr. Wayne Moore has been postponed from August 7, 2021 to August 28, 2021

Executive Session

13. 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 Litigation.

Motion made by Commissioner Sharp, Seconded by Commissioner Brown.

Voting Yea: Commissioner McElhenney, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Sharp, Commissioner Wooten

Meeting closed at approximately 9:36 a.m.

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

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

Motion made by Commissioner McElhenney, Seconded by Commissioner Wooten.

Voting Yea: Commissioner McElhenney, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Sharp, Commissioner Wooten

Meeting reopened at approximately 9:45 a.m.

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

No action was taken.

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Closing

16. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion made by Commissioner Wooten, Seconded by Commissioner Sharp.

**Voting Yea: Commissioner McElhenney, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Sharp,
Commissioner Wooten**

Meeting adjourned at approximately 9:46 a.m.

ATTEST:

Lynn Butterworth
County Clerk

Billy Webster
Chairman

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