

PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



117 Putnam Drive, Suite A ♦ Eatonton, GA 31024

Minutes

Friday, August 2, 2024 ♦ 10:00 AM

Putnam County Administration Building – Room 203

The Putnam County Board of Commissioners met on Friday, August 2, 2024 at approximately 10:00 AM in the Putnam County Administration Building, 117 Putnam Drive, Room 203, Eatonton, Georgia.

PRESENT

Chairman Bill Sharp
Commissioner Daniel Brown
Commissioner Steve Hersey
Commissioner Jeff Wooten

STAFF PRESENT

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

Opening

1. Welcome - Call to Order

Chairman Sharp called the meeting to order at approximately 10:01 a.m.
(Copy of agenda made a part of the minutes on minute book page _____.)

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the Agenda with removal of items 5, 6, and 7 and addition of “Discussion of SPLOST #10 Resolution”.

Motion made by Commissioner Hersey. Seconded by Commissioner Wooten

Voting Yea: Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Hersey, Commissioner Wooten

3. Invocation

County Attorney Nelson gave the invocation.

4. Pledge of Allegiance (BS)

Chairman Sharp led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Regular Business Meeting

5. Public Comments

None

6. Consent Agenda

a. Approval of Minutes - July 23, 2024 Regular Meeting (staff-CC)

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Motion made by Commissioner Brown, Seconded by Commissioner Wooten.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Hersey, Commissioner Wooten

7. Presentation from Chamber of Commerce

Chamber of Commerce President Maggie Milner presented the 2024 Semi-Annual Report. (Copy of presentation made a part of the minutes on minute book pages _____ to _____.)

8. Request from Kathryn Hill, Putnam County Environmental Health Section Manager, for approval of fee changes with Environmental Health

Kathryn Hill reviewed her presentation and requested an increase in fees for septic and water, advising that it had been eight years since the last increase.

Motion to approve fee changes for Environmental Health.

Motion made by Commissioner Hersey, Seconded by Commissioner Wooten.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Hersey, Commissioner Wooten

(Copy of presentation and fee changes made a part of the minutes on minute book pages _____ to _____.)

9. Discussion of SPLOST #10 Resolution

Commissioner Hersey advised that the SPLOST #10 Resolution approved at a called meeting on Wednesday, July 31, 24 is materially flawed and needs to be corrected, which will require another meeting and vote. No action was taken.

Reports/Announcements

10. County Manager Report

No report.

11. County Attorney Report

No report.

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12. Commissioner Announcements

Commissioner Brown: advised that school has started back, and buses are out, watch out and be careful. He also shared a story about property being used by Boy Scout 310 prior to Lockerly Arboretum receiving the property and then selling it so the Boy Scouts were unable to use it. and now Lockerly sold it, and boy scouts were left out.

Commissioner Hersey: shared that he received an invitation from Lockerly Arboretum for a coffee get together for all commissioners in the area on August 14, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.; he asked the Clerk to share the invitation with the other commissioners.

Commissioner Wooten: commented that he was impressed with the Chamber and the great job they are doing. He also said he was proud of the Health Department and never hears any complaints about them. He further commented that Putnam County has good folks working for them and the county is well run. He also mentioned that The Plaza Arts Center was doing a great job and the new resort on Collis Road will be good for the county. He thanked all for working together.

Chairman Sharp: advised that he attended the ATCC drug court graduation, which had 10 graduates this time. He thanked Judges Trammell, Petty, and Burleson for their hard work with this endeavor.

Closing

13. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion made by Commissioner Brown, Seconded by Commissioner Wooten.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Hersey, Commissioner Wooten

Meeting adjourned at approximately 11:08 a.m.

ATTEST:

Lynn Butterworth
County Clerk

B. W. "Bill" Sharp
Chairman

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