

# PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



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117 Putnam Drive, Suite A ♦ Eatonton, GA 31024

## Minutes

**Tuesday, May 21, 2019 ♦ 6:30 PM**

*Putnam County Administration Building – Room 203*

The Putnam County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at approximately 6:30 PM 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  
Commissioner Trevor Addison

### *STAFF PRESENT*

County Attorney Barry Fleming  
County Manager Paul Van Haute  
Deputy County Manager Lisa Jackson  
County Clerk Lynn Butterworth

### **Opening**

1. Welcome - Call to Order

Chairman Webster called the meeting to order at approximately 6:33 p.m.  
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2. Invocation

Pastor Pete Mattix gave the invocation.

3. Pledge of Allegiance (BW)

Commissioner Addison led the Pledge of Allegiance and dedicated it to former Board of Commissioners Chairman Donald L. Ridley, who recently passed away.

4. Special Presentation - Safe Boating Proclamation (TA)

A proclamation supporting the goals of the North American Safe Boating Campaign and proclaiming May 18-24, 2019, as National Safe Boating Week was presented to Mr. David Hogan, US Coast Guard Auxiliary Division Staff Officer.

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Chairman Webster also mentioned that our County Attorney, Barry Fleming, had been recognized by James Magazine as one of Georgia's most influential attorneys by virtue of serving as Chairman of the influential House Judiciary Committee and Putnam County was fortunate to have him as our county attorney.

### **Zoning Public Hearing**

5. Request by Huelon F. Thrift to rezone 2 acres at 790 Sparta Highway from AG-1 to R-2 [Map 106, Parcel 057, District 2] (staff-P&D)

Mr. Huelon Thrift spoke in support of this request. No one signed in to speak against this item. Planning & Development staff recommendation was for approval with the following condition: (1) this rezoning shall be conditioned upon the resurveying and recordation of the plat as stated in Section 66-165 (e)(3) of the Putnam County Code of Ordinances.

**Motion to approve the request by Huelon F. Thrift to rezone 2 acres at 790 Sparta Highway from AG-1 to R-2 [Map 106, Parcel 057] with the following condition: (1) this rezoning shall be conditioned upon the resurveying and recordation of the plat as stated in Section 66-165 (e)(3) of the Putnam County Code of Ordinances.**

**Motion made by Commissioner Brown, Seconded by Commissioner Addison.**

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

6. Request by Jesse Copelan, Jr., executor for Florrie Jones Estate to rezone 15.83 acres at 297 Beaver Dam Road from AG-1 to AG-2 [Map 007, Parcel 005, District 1] (staff-P&D)

Mr. Jesse Copelan spoke in support of this request. No one signed in to speak against this item. Planning & Development staff recommendation was for approval with the following condition: (1) this rezoning shall be conditioned upon the resurveying and recordation of the plat as stated in Section 66-165 (e)(3) of the Putnam County Code of Ordinances.

**Motion to approve the request by Jesse Copelan, Jr., executor for Florrie Jones Estate to rezone 15.83 acres at 297 Beaver Dam Road from AG-1 to AG-2 [Map 007, Parcel 005] with the following condition: (1) this rezoning shall be conditioned upon the resurveying and recordation of the plat as stated in Section 66-165 (e)(3) of the Putnam County Code of Ordinances.**

**Motion made by Commissioner Irvin, Seconded by Commissioner Addison.**

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

Chairman Webster closed the Public Hearing at approximately 6:50 p.m.

### **Regular Business Meeting**

7. Public Comments

None

8. 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, Commissioner Addison**

9. Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of Minutes - May 3, 2019 Regular Meeting (staff-CC)
- b. Approval of Minutes - May 3, 2019 Executive Session (staff-CC)
- c. Approval of Minutes - May 7, 2019 Work Session (staff-CC)
- d. Authorization for Chairman to sign Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Recipient-Subrecipient Agreement (staff-CM)
- e. Ratification of Appointment(s) to the 2020 Census Complete Count Committee (BW)

**Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.**

**Motion made by Commissioner Addison, Seconded by Commissioner Irvin.**

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

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10. Request for refund of tax penalty and interest fees from Karen S. Smith (BW)

**Motion to approve a refund of tax penalties and interest fees in the amount of \$165.18 to Karen S. Smith.**

**Motion made by Commissioner Addison, Seconded by Commissioner Irvin.**

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

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11. Awarding of Solicitation 19-61221-001 Jimmy Davis Park Roof (staff-Recreation-CM)  
County Manager Van Haute advised that two bids were received and he recommended the low bidder of Certified Roofing & Gutters.

**Motion to award Solicitation 19-61221-001 Jimmy Davis Park Roof to Certified Roofing & Gutters in the amount of \$19,967.00.**

**Motion made by Commissioner Addison, Seconded by Commissioner Irvin.**

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

12. Swimming Pool/Splash Pad Update (staff-Recreation)

Recreation Director Scott Haley gave a PowerPoint presentation on his research of various other pool locations across the state. No action was taken.

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13. Authorization for Chairman to sign letter to the Middle Georgia Regional Commission requesting technical assistance with identifying and applying for grant(s) to fund a potential swimming pool/splash pad (BW)

**Motion to authorize the Chairman to sign a letter to the Middle Georgia Regional Commission requesting technical assistance with identifying and applying for grant(s) to fund a potential swimming pool/splash pad.**

**Motion made by Commissioner Addison, Seconded by Commissioner Irvin.**

**Motion amended to edit the letter to include refurbishment of the existing pool.**

**Amended motion made by Commissioner Addison, Seconded by Commissioner Irvin.**

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

**Commissioner Addison**

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### **Reports/Announcements**

14. County Manager Report

No report.

15. County Attorney Report

County Attorney Fleming advised that he needed to provide a report in Executive Session.

16. Commissioner Announcements

None

### **Executive Session**

17. Motion to enter Executive Session as allowed by O.C.G.A. 50-14-4, if necessary, 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,**

**Commissioner Addison**

Meeting closed at approximately 7:35 p.m.

18. Motion to 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 Addison, Seconded by Commissioner Irvin.**

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

**Commissioner Addison**

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Meeting reopened at approximately 7:50 p.m.

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

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

**Closing**

20. Adjournment

**Motion to adjourn the meeting.**

**Motion made by Commissioner Irvin, Seconded by Commissioner Addison.**

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

Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:51 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lynn Butterworth  
County Clerk

Billy Webster  
Chairman