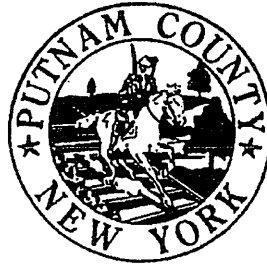


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**RULES, ENACTMENTS & INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE
TO BE HELD IN ROOM #318
PUTNAM COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING
CARMEL, NEW YORK 10512**

Members: Chairwoman Addonizio and Legislators Ellner & Gouldman

Tuesday May 16, 2023
(Immediately following Physical Mtg. beginning at 6:30pm)

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Acceptance of Minutes – April 18, 2023**
- 4. Approval/ Local Law to Amend Article 9 of the Putnam County Charter Entitled “Department of Highways & Facilities”**
- 5. Approval/ Budgetary Amendment 23A025/ Veterans Service Agency/ Peer to Peer Program/ Additional Funding from NYS Office of Mental Health for SFY 2023-2024**
- 6. Approval/ Appointments/ Putnam County Board of Ethics/ Eldridge, Cassidy, Sweeny, Scuccimarra, & DeMarzo**
- 7. Other Business**
- 8. Adjournment**

#3

**RULES, ENACTMENTS & INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE
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Tuesday 6:30pm April 18, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by Chairwoman Addonizio who requested Legislator Gouldman lead in the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon roll call Legislators Ellner and Gouldman and Chairwoman Addonizio were present.

Item #3 – Acceptance of Minutes – March 22, 2023

The minutes were accepted as submitted.

Item #4 – Approval/ Local Law to Amend Chapter 220 of the Code of Putnam County Entitled “Taxation”

Chairwoman Addonizio stated what is before the Committee this evening for approval is an amendment to the Putnam County Code which would provide the County the ability to implement a temporary partial cancellation of penalties and interest owed as a result of delinquent property taxes. She further clarified that this local law will not actually implement this program; it only gives the County the ability to do so once in place.

Carl Albano, resident, stated of the outstanding property taxes currently owed to Putnam County, about 20% of what is owed are interest and penalties. He stated there are about 1200 properties currently in arrears with the delinquency of some properties dating back to 2014. He stated the proposed amendment to the local law before the Committee tonight will give the Legislature the ability to consider making changes to the interest and penalties. He stated this is not a request to waive taxes or to waive the interest altogether. He stated foreclosing on these properties will result in a lot of litigation which can be costly to the County.

Chairwoman Addonizio stated New York State requires interest of 1% per month; 12% per year.

Mr. Albano stated there are other fees on top of that 1% per month that can be modified. He stated he believes other counties are looking into similar options as well.

Chairwoman Addonizio stated Commissioner of Finance William Carlin notified her that the tax lien foreclosures were recently completed for 2014 and 2015.

Mr. Albano stated many times a foreclosure winds up being settled for less.

Legislator Goldman stated he was hoping this would be on the agenda this evening for further discussion rather than as an approval item. He stated in some ways this makes sense, but it needs limitations. He recognized that the COVID pandemic has a negative financial impact on many people and they may have fallen behind on their taxes. He stated he has no issue with giving the average taxpayer a break. He stated he does not believe developers, businesses, and individuals who have the resources to pay their bills should benefit from a reduction in interest and penalties. He stated many properties in arrears are Limited Liability Corporations (LLCs). He stated if the County chooses to enact a program to help delinquent taxpayers, it should be aimed toward lower income and middle class taxpayers. He stated it should not be for vacant land; it should only be for a parcel of land with a primary residence on it. He stated the taxes due should not be lowered; any reduction should be only on services charges, penalties, or interest. He suggested putting a cap on the amount each taxpayer can benefit from. He stated a program like this should really only be for taxpayers facing a hardship, trying to pay what they owe. He provided an example of a developer with properties in Putnam Valley who owes \$1 million in property taxes, plus the penalties and interest. He stated this developer was offered fair market value for the sale of the property, which they turned down. He stated this program should not go to benefit individuals like this one. He also stated his concern for taxpayers who have worked hard to pay their tax bill on time.

Chairwoman Addonizio mentioned that the school tax is the highest portion of property taxes.

Legislator Ellner stated this has to have a degree of balance. He recognized that there are many people hurting. He also recognized that there are many people who worked a second job and sacrificed to pay their taxes on time and it is important to remain cognizant of that as well.

Legislator Crowley stated she received a letter from a constituent who detailed their experience with doing everything they could to make sure their taxes were paid on time and that implementing a program where interest and penalties are reduced could result in a lawsuit. She read the letter into the record.

Legislator Nacerino stated what is before the Committee this evening is solely to allow the County to consider such a program. She stated she believes the Legislature should do their due diligence to explore the matter rather than projecting about what it should or should not entail. She stated this local law does not implement a program; it gives the Legislature the ability to explore the matter further.

Legislator Jonke stated he has been in the property tax business since 1988 and he has seen many foreclosure and tax sales. He stated the County needs to avoid taking properties at all costs. He stated the taxes will not be waived, this program will offer a reduction of some kind on the interest and penalties. He stated there are over 1,200 properties in arrears and he believes we owe it to all residents to make sure the County does not take these properties where they could sit in our possession for years before

they are purchased and put back on the tax rolls. He stated he believes this proposed local law is on the right track.

Legislator Castellano echoed Legislator Jonke's statements. He stated many of the properties in arrears are not basic mortgages where a homeowner is defaulting on their mortgage because the mortgage company will cover the taxes. He stated getting some of these commercial properties back onto the tax rolls would result in the collection of back taxes and some of the interest and penalties. He stated if the taxpayers still choose not to pay, the foreclosure process can then move forward but at least the opportunity to become whole would have been presented to them. He stated the properties could be beneficial to the entire community once back on the tax rolls.

Chairwoman Addonizio stated no specific decisions are being made this evening.

Legislator Crowley questioned if the new law having to do with foreclosure would affect this.

Legislative Counsel Robert Firriolo stated it may not affect it at all. He stated this is strictly about waiving a part of the interest and penalties, not the taxes that are due. He stated once the taxes are paid there would not be a foreclosure. He stated he would have to look into it more closely but believes it would not have an effect.

Legislator Gouldman stated he has an issue giving a big break to people who owe \$1 million in property taxes. He stated limitations need to be put on this. He stated he cannot support this the way it is.

Chairwoman Addonizio stated the details of the program will be discussed once this local law is approved.

Mr. Albano stated this topic was discussed at Rules Meetings in December 2022 and March 2023. He stated this proposed local law provides the County the ability to make changes to the interest and penalties if deemed necessary. He restated that of the money owed to the County, 20% is interest and penalties. He stated the County has been able to borrow money at historically low rates of 2%-3%. He stated taxpayers who are willing to pay their taxes can come forward and make themselves whole through this program. He stated the details of the program can be discussed in more depth in the future; the local law before the Committee this evening will give the Legislature the ability to consider the details later on.

Legislator Nacerino stated she would support moving this forward. She stated no specifications are being put in place right now. She stated this is worth looking into comprehensively to find if it is something that should be considered. She stated without approving this local law, those future discussions cannot be had. She stated we do not know the financial situation of taxpayers whether they are individuals, corporations, or small businesses. She stated small businesses are a very important part of Putnam County and they could be struggling with their taxes as well.

Legislator Montgomery stated although the school taxes are a large percentage, all property taxes have continued to increase each year since she has been in office.

Mr. Albano stated the County property tax is on the lower end within New York State.

Legislator Montgomery stated the property taxes in Putnam have continued to increase while other counties have decreased their taxes.

Legislator Crowley stated separating residential and commercial properties could be discriminatory. She stated based on zoning, it might be difficult to determine what type of property it is.

Legislator Jonke stated he is supportive of what is before the Committee this evening.

Legislator Crowley questioned why Putnam County did not consider the amnesty program that was offered through the Executive Order enacted by former New York State Governor Cuomo during the COVID pandemic.

Mr. Albano stated he learned about this issue at the end of his tenure as a Legislator and brought it forward at that point. He stated he believes the County should have the ability to change the interest and penalties and the first step is to amend the local law. He stated to spend more time on this without the law being in place would be a waste of time.

Legislator Ellner stated in speaking with the Finance Department he found that the County cannot differentiate between residential and commercial properties; whatever the final outcome may be, it will be applied equally to all. He stated at this point, he is not in favor of what is before the Committee.

Legislator Nacerino stated she believes the proposal before the Committee is no harm no foul as it only provides the County with the ability to consider it in more detail. She stated as the process moves along and Legislators may still have the same conviction and it may not be approved, but she is taken aback that this Committee would not be proactively looking to continue this discussion.

Legislator Goldman stated he would like to see limitations on this from the very beginning.

Mr. Albano stated the details will be decided on later. He stated amending this law gives the Legislature the tool they need to do so.

Legislator Nacerino stated she does not see the logic in not moving this forward this evening. She stated the particulars of this are not being discussed this evening.

Legislator Castellano questioned what the next step would be if this was passed out of Committee.

Legislative Counsel Firriolo stated if the Committee moves this local law forward it would go to the Full Legislative Meeting for a vote. He clarified that the purpose of this local law is to empower the Legislature, in the future, to pass another resolution that would waive, in whole or in part, interest, fees, or penalties; not property tax. He stated in order to even discuss a resolution that would set details in the future, this enabling legislation would need to be on the books first.

Legislator Castellano questioned if a public hearing would be required. He also questioned if this local law would require a supermajority vote by the Full Legislature.

Legislative Counsel Firriolo stated a public hearing would be held by the County Executive. He stated it would require a 2/3 vote of the Legislature to move forward.

Legislator Castellano stated looking into the future if this were to be implemented, he questioned if it would be possible to put a cap on the total amount able to be discounted.

Legislative Counsel Firriolo stated the resolution implementing the program could be as detailed or as limited as the Legislature so chooses as long as it is not discriminatory.

Legislator Castellano stated he would like to see this move forward so further discussion could be had.

Chairwoman Addonizio made a motion to pre-file the necessary resolution. There was no second. Motion fails.

Item #5 – Approval/ Support Putnam County’s Request to New York State to Amend Public Officer’s Law/ Planning Commissioner Residency

Chairwoman Addonizio stated County Executive Byrne requested a supporting resolution, however a draft resolution has not been received.

Chairwoman Addonizio made a motion to table Approval/ Support Putnam County’s Request to New York State to Amend Public Officer’s Law/ Planning Commissioner Residency; Seconded by Legislator Ellner. All in favor.

Legislator Montgomery requested that the qualifications for the Commissioner of Planning be changed to include that the individual be a certified planner.

Item #6 – Other Business – None

Item #7 – Adjournment

There being no further business at 7:04pm, Chairwoman Addonizio made a motion to adjourn; Seconded by Legislator Ellner. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted by Administrative Assistant Beth Robinson.

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Revised Local Law from
Conrad Pasquate 4/18/23

cc: all
Rules

#21

A LOCAL LAW TO AMEND ARTICLE 9 OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY CHARTER
ENTITLED "DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS AND FACILITIES"

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the County of Putnam as follows:

Section 1.

Article 9 of the Putnam County Charter is hereby renamed as follows:

Article 9 Department of ~~Highways and Facilities~~ Public Works

Section 2.

Section 9.01 of the Putnam County Charter is hereby amended to read as follows:

§ 9.01 Department of ~~Highways and Facilities~~ Public Works: Commissioner.

There shall be a Department of ~~Highways and Facilities~~ Public Works headed by a Commissioner of ~~Highways and Facilities~~ Public Works appointed by the County Executive, subject to confirmation by the County Legislature. The Commissioner of ~~Highways and Facilities~~ Public Works shall be qualified by training and experience for his or her position. The provisions of any law, rule or regulation which require that a public officer be a resident of the political subdivision or municipal corporation of the state for which he or she shall be chosen or within which his or her official functions are required to be exercised, shall not prevent a person from holding the office of the Commissioner of ~~Highways and Facilities~~ Public Works of the County of Putnam, so long as such person resides within fifty linear miles from the Office of the Commissioner of ~~Highways and Facilities~~ Public Works at the Putnam County Department of ~~Highways and Facilities~~ Public Works, when appointed and continuously throughout his or her appointment. He or she shall serve at the pleasure of the County Executive. Within appropriations therefor, he or she shall appoint a staff to implement the duties of this office as detailed in § 9.02 of this Charter.

Section 3.

Section 9.02 of the Putnam County Charter is hereby amended to read as follows:

§ 9.02 Powers and duties.

Except as otherwise provided in this Charter, the Commissioner of ~~Highways and Facilities~~ Public Works shall:

- (a) Have all the powers and duties of a County Engineer and County Superintendent of Highways pursuant to the Highway Law, Town Law or other applicable laws;
- (b) Have charge and supervision of the design, construction, improvement, maintenance, repair, cleaning and lighting of all highways, roads, streets, bridges and grade separation structures under jurisdiction of the County;
- (c) Have charge and supervision of the design, construction and alteration of County buildings, parking areas, drives, walks, docks, parks and such other structures and facilities in the nature of public works under the jurisdiction of the County;
- (d) Have charge and supervision of the maintenance and repair of all County buildings to include custodial care of such buildings;
- (e) Have charge and supervision of the maintenance and operations of County parks and preserves;
- (f) Administer all programs and projects conducted by the Soil and Water Conservation District.

Section 4.

Section 9.03 of the Putnam County Charter is hereby amended to read as follows:

§ 9.03 Deputy Commissioners of ~~Highways and Facilities~~Public Works.

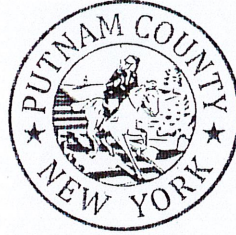
The Commissioner of ~~Highways and Facilities~~Public Works shall appoint a Deputy Commissioner of ~~Highways and Facilities~~Public Works who shall act generally for and in the place of the Commissioner of ~~Highways and Facilities~~Public Works in the event of his or her absence from the County or inability to perform and exercise the powers and duties of office. The provisions of any law, rule or regulation which require that a public officer be a resident of the political subdivision or municipal corporation of the state for which he or she shall be chosen or within which his or her official functions are required to be exercised, shall not prevent a person from holding the office of the Deputy Commissioner of ~~Highways and Facilities~~Public Works of the County of Putnam, so long as such person resides within fifty linear miles from the Office of the Commissioner of ~~Highways and Facilities~~Public Works at the Putnam County Department of ~~Highways and Facilities~~Public Works, when appointed and continuously throughout his or her appointment.

The Deputy Commissioner of ~~Highways and Facilities~~Public Works shall have the powers and shall perform all duties of the Commissioner of ~~Highways and Facilities~~Public Works only in the event that the Commissioner of ~~Highways and Facilities~~Public Works is absent or unable to perform and exercise the powers and duties of such office.

The Commissioner of [Highways and FacilitiesPublic Works](#) may also appoint additional deputies who shall have the powers and who shall perform all the duties of the Commissioner of [Highways and FacilitiesPublic Works](#) only in the event that both the Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner of [Highways and FacilitiesPublic Works](#) are absent or unable to perform and exercise the powers and duties of such office. Such additional deputies shall be designated in writing and in order of succession by the Commissioner of [Highways and FacilitiesPublic Works](#) and shall be filed with the County Executive and with the Clerk of the County Legislature. Such designations may be revoked at any time by the Commissioner of [Highways and FacilitiesPublic Works](#) by filing a new written designation and order of succession.

Section 5.

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.



PUTNAM COUNTY EXECUTIVE
KEVIN M. BYRNE

Memorandum

DATE: April 14, 2023
TO: Chairman Paul Jonke, Putnam County Legislature
CC: Diane Schonfeld, Clerk of the Legislature
FROM: County Executive Kevin Byrne
SUBJECT: Proposed Legislation From 2023 State of the County

2023 APR 14 PM 3:59
LEGISLATURE
PUTNAM COUNTY
CARMEL, NY

During my presentation of the 2023 State of the County on March 9th, I stated my intention to submit to the Legislature a plan to reorganize our Department of Highway and Facilities into a Department of Public Works (DPW).

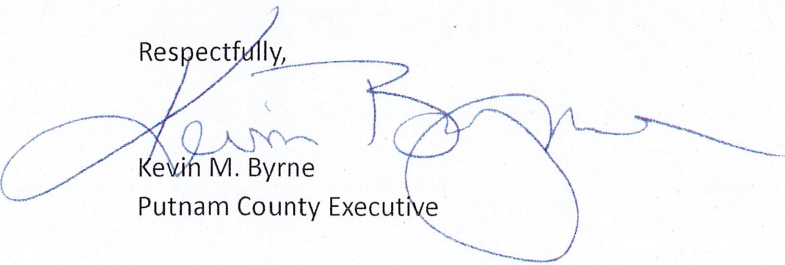
This rebranding will more accurately reflect the numerous services that our Department of Highway and Facilities provides to the public. The department currently has multiple divisions that include, Highways, Facilities, Engineering, and Parks. The Department and its staff do significantly more than maintain our roads and county buildings and the renaming to a Department of Public Works will highlight this fact.

As an additional note, this change will not affect longstanding workforce classifications.

I respectfully ask that the Legislature consider introducing a Local Law to amend Article 9 of the Putnam County Charter to rename the Putnam County Department Highway and Facilities to the Department of Public Works.

Attached is a draft local law to enact this proposed amendment.

Respectfully,


Kevin M. Byrne
Putnam County Executive

WILLIAM J. CARLIN, Jr. CPA
Commissioner Of Finance



cc All Rules A+A #5 Reso

MICHAEL LEWIS
Chief Deputy Commissioner of Finance
SHEILA BARRETT
Deputy Commissioner of Finance

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

April 24, 2023

Mrs. Diane Schonfeld, Clerk
Putnam County Legislature
40 Gleneida Avenue
Carmel, NY 10512

2023 APR 27 PM 2:16
LEGISLATURE
PUTNAM COUNTY
CARMEL, NY

Dear Mrs. Schonfeld,

Pursuant to Resolution 46 Section 5.1-B, dated February 14, 2010, the following request to amend the Putnam County Veterans Affairs 2023 budget has been submitted for approval.

Increase Revenues:

10651000 437895 10105 Veterans Peer to Peer Program \$185,000

Increase Appropriations:

10651000 54646 10105 Veterans Peer to Peer Program – Contracts \$185,000

2023 Fiscal Impact -0-
2024 Fiscal Impact -0-

Putnam County has been notified by the NYS Office of Mental Health that additional funding for the Veterans Peer to Peer Support Pilot Program has been awarded to the Putnam County Office of Veterans Affairs for SFY23-24. These funds are to be used to assist veterans suffering from post-traumatic stress syndrome, other related combat stress disorders, or having counseling needs, using individual and small group peer-to-peer counseling methods. The program is administered by the Putnam County Office of Veterans Affairs and the NYS Office of Mental Health. The funds are available for the period April 1, 2023 through March 31, 2024.

NYS OMH Attachment A – Funding Source Allocation Table: Year: 2023 Amendment: 4 - 2/27/23, Dwyer Veteran P2P is attached for reference.

AUTHORIZATION:

Date _____ Commissioner of Finance/Designee: Initiation by \$0 - \$5,000.00

Date _____ County Executive/Designee: Authorized for Legislative Consideration \$5,000.01 - \$10,000.00

Date _____ Chairperson Audit/Designee: \$0 - \$10,000.00 **23A025**

Date _____ Audit & Administration Committee: \$10,000.01 - \$25,000.00



Aid to Localities Financial System

Attachment A

Funding Source Allocation Table

County Code: 40 County Name: Putnam

Year: 2023 Amendment: 4 - 2/27/2023 10:15:37 AM

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Funding Source	Code	Type	Prior Letter Allocation	Allocation Changes Since Prior Letter	Revised Current Fiscal Year Allocation	Annualized Value from Prior Letter	Annualized Value Changes from Prior Letter	Fiscal Year Revised Annualized Value	Beds
Local Assistance	001A	GS	\$58,160	\$0	\$58,160	\$0	\$58,160	\$58,160	
Community Support Services	014	GS	\$107,276	\$0	\$107,276	\$0	\$107,276	\$107,276	
Adult Case Management & ACT	034J	GS	\$304,071	\$(1)	\$304,070	\$0	\$304,071	\$304,071	
Integrated Supp Emp	037	GS	\$50,316	\$0	\$50,316	\$0	\$50,316	\$50,316	
Remarks									
Allocation adjustment made to 4/1/23 and AVs to correctly reflect 4/1/22 5.4% COLA Increase.									
PROS State Aid	037P	GS	\$92,692	\$0	\$92,692	\$0	\$92,692	\$92,692	
Remarks									
Quarterly Increase of \$311 (retro to 1/1/23) as a result of a recalculation of the UDC Funding.									
Effective 1/1/2023, PROS Residual State Aid and PROS Vocational Initiative funding recalculated based upon monthly census data reported in CAIRS. CY 23 funding amounts are : PI PROSper SA \$36,232 Voc \$55,216.									
Dwyer Veteran P2P	038F	GS	\$0	\$185,000	\$185,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Remarks									
Funding in the amount of \$185,000 in the SFY 23-24 Enacted Budget for the period of 4/1/2023-3/31/2024, will be used for the Veteran Peer to Peer Support Service Program for veterans suffering from post-traumatic stress syndrome, other related combat stress disorders, or having counseling needs, using individual and small group peer to peer counseling methods. The provider should use the program code 0690 on all OMH financial reporting documents.									
Clinical Infrastructure-Adult	039P	GS	\$60,152	\$0	\$60,152	\$0	\$60,152	\$60,152	
CMHS Kids COVID Relief Funds	044C	F	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Clinical Infrastructure-C&F	046A	GS	\$74,920	\$0	\$74,920	\$0	\$74,920	\$74,920	
Community Support Programs-C&F	046L	GS	\$310,495	\$(1)	\$310,494	\$0	\$310,495	\$310,495	
Supported Housing	078	GS	\$1,953,288	\$0	\$1,953,288	\$0	\$1,859,688	\$1,859,688	76

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Dwyer Peer-to-Peer Funding

Funding

Paid without contract	22,748.10
Contract 20140092	29,312.29
Contract 2015084	715,437.97
Contract 2020176	242,163.18
Contract 2022109	405,336.82
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	1,414,998.36
to be added to 2022109	185,000.00
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	1,599,998.36 ✓

Claimed

Paid without contract	22,748.10
Contract 20140092	29,312.29
Contract 2015084	715,437.97
Contract 2020176	242,163.18
Contract 2022109	177,269.46
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	1,186,931.00 ✓
	413,067.36 ✓

PFC. Joseph Dwyer Veterans Peer to Peer Program Budget 2023-24

Staffing

Guardian Connect Program Director (.625 FTE) \$ 50,000.00
Boots and Paws Program Coordinator (0.50 FTE) \$ 35,000.00
Another Summit Program Coordinator (0.50 FTE) \$ 30,000.00

Total Salaries \$ 115,000.00
Payroll Taxes/Fringe @15% \$ 17,250.00
Employee Benefits \$ 6,000.00

TOTAL SALARIES \$ 138,250.00

OTPS

Vet2Vet Warmline Expenses \$ 1,200.00
Another Summit Program Expenses \$ 4,000.00
Boots & Paws Program Expenses \$ 3,000.00
Community Connect/Partnerships (Chow Down, Renegades, Pegasus, etc..) \$ 10,000.00
Supplies/office expenses/mileage \$ 329.45
Admin allocation at 18% (payroll, insurance, etc..) \$ 28,220.55

TOTAL Vet2Vet BUDGET
\$ 185,000.00
\$ -

TOTAL Dwyer contract \$ 185,000.00



CO: all
RULES
#6

**PUTNAM COUNTY EXECUTIVE
KEVIN M. BYRNE**

2023 MAY - 3 PM 4: 33
LEGISLATURE
PUTNAM COUNTY
CARMEL, NY

May 3, 2023

Ms. Diane Schonfeld, Clerk
Putnam County Legislature
40 Gleneida Ave
Carmel NY 10512

Dear Ms. Schonfeld,

It is my privilege to appoint Mr. Paul Eldridge, Mr. Roderick Cassidy, Hon. John Sweeny, Hon. Barbara Scuccimarra, and Mr. Joseph DeMarzo as members of the Putnam County Board of Ethics, in accordance with Chapter 55 of the Putnam County Code, and subject to confirmation by a simple majority of the Legislature. The selection of these five distinguished Putnam County residents was the result of a public outreach effort by my office for qualified candidates and followed a thorough vetting and interview process conducted by members of my staff.

Upon taking office in January, it was discovered that two members of the five-person board had effectively resigned, while all three active board members' terms had expired before January 1, 2023. These appointments serve as an opportunity to fill all five positions with excellent and well-qualified candidates who will uphold the requirements within the Putnam County Code. Furthermore, this newly appointed Board of Ethics will provide the public and our county departments and employees with the confidence they deserve knowing it is a priority for Putnam County Government to maintain the highest ethical standards.

Listed below are the corresponding board of ethics vacancy positions matched with the dates for their remaining terms of office based on the last time the position was confirmed by the legislature:

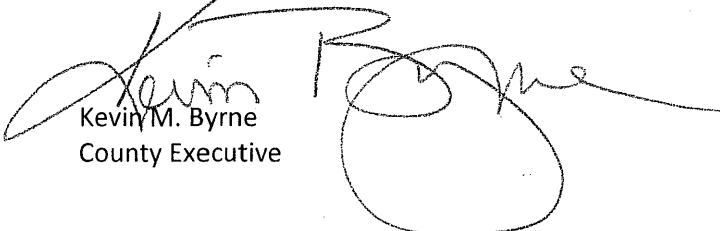
- Mr. Paul Eldridge (Resolution #121 of 2018)
Term: 1/1/21 – 12/31/23
- Mr. Roderick Cassidy (Resolution #169 of 2019)
Term: 1/1/22-12/31/24
- Hon. John Sweeny (Resolution 131 of 2020)
Term: 1/1/23 – 12/31/25
- Hon. Barbara Scuccimarra (Resolution 271 of 2019)
Term: 1/1/22 – 12/31/24

- Mr. Joseph DeMarzo (Resolution 108 of 2017)
Term: 1/1/23 – 12/31/25

I respectfully ask that the Rules, Enactments, Intergovernmental Relations Committee place the appointment of each candidate on the agenda for their May 16th committee meeting with the intention that the members be confirmed during the full legislative meeting scheduled for June 6th. **Attached are the candidates' resumes for your review.**

Thank you for your detailed attention.

Respectfully submitted,


Kevin M. Byrne
County Executive