

**REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
PUTNAM COUNTY LEGISLATURE
HELD VIA AUDIO WEBINAR PURSUANT TO TEMPORARY EMERGENCY ORDERS**

Tuesday

October 6, 2020

(Immediately following Budget Presentation & Public Hearing starting @7:00 P.M.)

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 P.M. by Chairwoman Addonizio who led in the Pledge of Allegiance and Legislative Prayer. Upon roll call, Legislators Montgomery, Gouldman, Nacerino, Albano, Jonke, Castellano, Sayegh, Sullivan and Chairwoman Addonizio were present. Also present was Legislative Counsel Firriolo.

PROCLAMATIONS

Chairwoman Addonizio stated that the following proclamations are for informational purposes and will be mailed to the relevant parties.

OCTOBER AS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, Domestic Violence is an epidemic affecting individuals in every community including Putnam County, regardless of age, economic status, sexual orientation, gender, race, religion, or nationality; and

WHEREAS, 1 in 3 women and 1 in 4 men are victims of some form of physical violence by an intimate partner; and

WHEREAS, due to the 2020 COVID-19 pandemic, abusers used the lockdown to further isolate, control and abuse victims of domestic violence causing an increase in calls to the National Domestic Violence Hotline; and

WHEREAS, in 2019 the Putnam Northern Westchester Women's Resource Center 24-hour Hotline received 1,059 calls, served 1,790 women, children, and men who were victims of domestic and sexual violence; and

WHEREAS, a study found that 2 out of 3 Americans still do not recognize the symptoms of domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, in 2019 the Women's Resource Center, District Attorney's Office, Probation Department and the Sheriff's Department joined forces to create the Putnam County Domestic and Sexual Violence Taskforce; and

WHEREAS, this Taskforce seeks to educate and raise awareness of domestic and sexual violence; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Putnam County Executive MaryEllen Odell and the Putnam County Legislature do hereby proclaim October as "Domestic Violence Awareness Month".

**CELEBRATING NATIONAL CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION WEEK AND 4-H
WEEK OCTOBER 4-10, 2020**

WHEREAS, Cornell Cooperative Extension of Putnam County enables people to improve their lives and communities through learning partnerships that put experience and research knowledge to work; and

WHEREAS, the Cornell Cooperative Extension system is a viable partnership between Federal, State, and County Governments, Land Grant University research and resources, and local staff, volunteers, and youth; and

WHEREAS, Cornell Cooperative Extension of Putnam County's Children, Youth, & Family Well Being educational programs focus on preparing youth to function as productive and responsible adults, strengthening parenting skills, and enabling residents to improve their families' economic and social well being; and

WHEREAS, Cornell Cooperative Extension's 4-H Youth Development Program invests in the County's future by developing valuable life skills such as: communication, decision making, leadership, and citizenship among our youth; and

WHEREAS, the 4-H Youth Development Program provides meaningful experiences such as 4-H Clubs, school programs, special interest programs, community service opportunities, and the annual Putnam County 4-H Fair. Unfortunately, this year the Putnam County 4-H was unable to be held due to the COVID-19 Pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Cornell Cooperative Extension of Putnam County provides a valuable contribution to families, schools, businesses, and the general well being of Putnam County; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Executive and the Putnam County Legislature hereby designate the week of October 4-10, 2020 as Cornell Cooperative Extension Week and National 4-H Week in Putnam County.

OCTOBER 4-10, 2020 AS NATIONAL FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

WHEREAS, National Fire Prevention Week will be October 4-10, 2020, during which attention will be focused on promoting fire safety and prevention. In 2018, there were 1,318,500 reported fires in the United States, 3,655 deaths caused by fires, and 15,200 injuries. Those fires resulted in an estimated \$25.6 billion in property damage; and

WHEREAS, The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) has announced this year's Fire Prevention Week campaign, "Serve Up Fire Safety in the Kitchen" works to educate everyone about the simple but important actions they can take to keep themselves, and those around them, safe in the kitchen; and

WHEREAS, Cooking is the #1 cause of home fires and home fire injuries; unattended cooking is the leading cause of fires in the kitchen; and

WHEREAS, Before you serve a meal, it's essential to serve up fire safety in the kitchen. There's nothing like spending time in the kitchen cooking a delicious meal for family and friends or an appetizing treat for yourself, but there are important steps to take long before anyone takes the first bite; and

WHEREAS, In a fire, mere seconds can mean the difference between a safe escape and a tragedy. Fire safety education is not just for school children. Teenagers, adults, and the elderly are also at risk in fires, making it important for every member of the community to take some time every October during Fire Prevention Week to make sure they understand how to stay safe in case of a fire; and

WHEREAS, Putnam County is served by dedicated Volunteer Fire Departments whose service we greatly value and appreciate. In 2018 across this Nation there were 82 firefighter deaths and 22,975 firefighter injuries. Taking time to learn how to stay safe in the kitchen protects both residents and our courageous volunteers; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Putnam County Executive MaryEllen Odell and the Putnam County Legislature do hereby proclaim the week of October 4-10, 2020 as National Fire

Prevention Week in the County of Putnam and remind the citizens of the dangers of fires and of the need to practice fire safety in the kitchen and to visit their local fire departments' fire prevention programs.

NATIONAL LEAD POISONING PREVENTION WEEK – October 25-31, 2020

WHEREAS, every Putnam County resident deserves to grow up in a healthy, safe environment, free from harmful effects of lead; and

WHEREAS, the major source of lead exposure is the dust from deteriorating lead-based paint or renovations to houses or childcare facilities built before 1978 and lead poisoning caused by renovations can be prevented by using EPA certified contractors who follow the Renovation, Repair, and Painting Rule; and

WHEREAS, 73% of lead poisoning cases have lead-based paint as the primary or contributing source; and

WHEREAS, although individuals with lead poisoning often exhibit no symptoms, lead interferes with normal brain development, and is associated with permanently reduced IQ, learning disabilities, behavioral disorders, and has been cited as an indicator of decreased lifelong learning potential; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 535,000 preschool children in the United States are living with lead levels high enough to call for medical management, it is vital that all Putnam County residents, especially parents and child caregivers are aware of the dangers of lead poisoning and seek appropriate screening for their children as a preventative measure; and

WHEREAS, October 25-31, 2020, is National Lead Poisoning Prevention Week and is an opportunity for Putnam County to provide education and raise awareness about lead poisoning prevention measures; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Putnam County Executive MaryEllen Odell and the Putnam County Legislature do hereby proclaim October 25-31, 2020 as Lead Poisoning Prevention Week in Putnam County, and invite all citizens to duly note this occasion.

OCTOBER AS NATIONAL SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

WHEREAS, Every day, far too many Americans, including Putnam County residents, are hurt by substance use disorders. From diminished achievement in our schools to greater risks on our roads and in our communities, to the heartache caused by lives cut tragically short, the consequences of substance abuse are profound. Yet, we also know that they are preventable. This month, we pay tribute to all those working to prevent substance abuse in our communities, and we rededicate ourselves to building a safer, drug-free Putnam County; and

WHEREAS, By stopping substance abuse before it starts, we can prevent the disease of addiction and create stronger neighborhoods across our County; and

WHEREAS, Community-based prevention systems that join stakeholders at every level of government with local organizations can deliver local solutions; and

WHEREAS, All of us can play a role in preventing drug and alcohol abuse. As our children's first teachers, parents and guardians can help by talking to their kids about the dangers of substance abuse. Alongside them, coalitions of teachers, faith-based groups,

health care providers, law enforcement officials, and other local leaders are joining together to address substance abuse in their communities; and

WHEREAS, As we observe National Substance Abuse Prevention Month, let us join in those vital efforts and reaffirm our vision for an America where each of us has the fullest opportunity to live in health and happiness; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Putnam County Executive and Putnam County Legislature do hereby proclaim October 2020 as Substance Abuse Prevention Month. Along with the Prevention Council of Putnam, the Putnam CTC Coalition and all substance abuse prevention and treatment providers in Putnam County encourage all residents to increase their awareness of substance use disorders, the dangers of substance abuse, the success of prevention and treatment programs; especially for our youth, and to actively support and encourage referrals for treatment of individuals and support individuals in recovery.

RECOGNIZING SHERIFF'S WEEK IN NEW YORK STATE – SEPTEMBER 20-26, 2020

WHEREAS, the Office of Sheriff has been an integral part of the criminal justice system in New York State and in Putnam County throughout our history, having been established in the State's first constitution in 1777 and continued in every succeeding constitution, it is one of the original constitutional offices that Putnam County first established in 1812; and

WHEREAS, despite changes in its function, status, and powers during its long history, the Office of Sheriff has maintained a continuous existence, preserved its distinguishing heritage, and continued to be an essential component of our criminal justice community; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Sheriff has evolved into a modern, professionally accredited, full-service law enforcement and public safety agency, manned by fully trained police and peace officers, as well as civilians using state-of-the-art technology and applying the latest and most advanced theories and practices in the criminal justice, civil process, corrections, communications, and court security; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Sheriff is unique in the Putnam County community, and the duties of the Office go far beyond the traditional role of "Conservator of the Peace," and extend into many facets of public service, including County police services, maintaining the County Jail, providing security in our courts, dispatching, communication systems, animal control, Emergency Response Team, Crash Reconstruction Unit, and serving and executing civil process and victim protection orders for our courts; and

WHEREAS, as a constitutionally empowered entity directly responsible to the people, the ancient Office of Sheriff remains, even today, responsive to public safety needs and accountable to the public it serves; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting to celebrate the historical contributions of the Office of Sheriff and the significant role that the Sheriff's Office plays in our modern criminal justice system; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Executive and Putnam County Legislature do hereby recognize September 20-26, 2020 as Sheriffs' Week in Putnam County.

Item #4 – Approval of Minutes – Approval of Minutes – Special Meeting – August 7, 2020
(The Rescheduled Reg Mtg of August 4, 2020 which was cancelled due to State of Emergency/ Tropical Storm Isaias)

Special Meeting – August 11, 2020

Regular Meeting – September 1, 2020

The minutes were approved as submitted.

- Item #5 – Correspondence
 - a) County Auditor

There was no activity during this reporting period.

Item #6 – Pre-filed resolutions:

**HEALTH, SOCIAL, EDUCATIONAL & ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE
(Chairwoman Sayegh, Legislators Addonizio & Albano)**

Item #6a – Approval/ Fund Transfer (20T153)/ Health Department/ Preschool Leased Transportation – COVID-19 was next. Chairwoman Addonizio recognized Legislator Sayegh, Chairwoman of the Health, Social, Educational & Environmental Committee. On behalf of the members of the Committee, Legislators Addonizio and Albano, Legislator Sayegh moved the following:

RESOLUTION #151

APPROVAL/ FUND TRANSFER/ HEALTH DEPARTMENT/ PRESCHOOL LEASED TRANSPORTATION – COVID-19

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Health has requested a fund transfer (20T153) to cover COVID-19 related expenses for cleaning and preparing Preschool Leased Transportation buses and ongoing preparation for service start up; and

WHEREAS, the Health, Social, Educational & Environmental Committee and the Audit & Administration Committee has reviewed and approved said fund transfer; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the following fund transfer be made:

Decrease:

10296000 54678	Preschool Leased Transportation	20,713
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Increase:

10296000 54678 10158	Preschool Leased Trans.- COVID-19	20,713
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2020 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

2021 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE
(Chairwoman Nacerino, Legislators Jonke & Montgomery)**

Item #6b – Approval/ Budgetary Amendment (20A051)/ Highways & Facilities/ Reorganization was next. Chairwoman Addonizio recognized Legislator Nacerino,

Chairwoman of the Personnel Committee. On behalf of the members of the Committee, Legislators Jonke and Montgomery, Legislator Nacerino moved the following:

Legislator Nacerino stated that the Highways & Facilities Reorganization was discussed in depth at the Personnel Committee meeting held on September 23, 2020 with Personnel Director Eldridge, Commissioner of Highways & Facilities Pena, Deputy Commissioner of Highways & Facilities Tully and Finance Commissioner Carlin in attendance. She explained that due to a significant number of departures and retirements of key staff within the last 18 months, it gave way for the opportunity to reevaluate the department's needs. She stated that the need was anticipated last year, and monies were set aside in the 2020 budget for the transition. The Highways & Facilities Department presented the changes to employ a more efficient department. She stated that it was unanimously approved by both the Personnel Committee and the Audit & Administration Committee.

RESOLUTION #152

APPROVAL/ BUDGETARY AMENDMENT / COMMISSIONER OF HIGHWAYS & FACILITIES/ REORGANIZATION

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Highways & Facilities has requested a budgetary amendment (20A051) to provide for the proposed Reorganization of his department as a result of the significant number of departures, including retirements of key staff members of the last 18 plus months; and

WHEREAS, at the Personnel Committee meeting held on September 23, 2020, the Committee reviewed and approved the Reorganizational proposal submitted by the Personnel Director for the Department of Highways & Facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Finance has submitted said budgetary amendment to provide for the implementation of this Reorganization; and

WHEREAS, the Personnel Committee and the Audit & Administration have reviewed and approved said budgetary amendment; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the following budgetary amendment be made:

GENERAL FUND:

Increase Estimated Appropriations:

10149000 51000 (10116)	Personnel – (Receptionist)	1,372
10149000 51000 (10125)	Personnel – (Accountant)	2,737
10149000 51000 (10126)	Personnel – (Assoc. Account Clerk)	2,551
10149000 51000 (10127)	Personnel – (Project Manager)	17,634
10511100 51000 (10123)	Personnel – (Master Mechanic II)	1,217
10511100 51000 (10124)	Personnel – (Maintenance Plumber II)	924
10711000 51000 (10113)	Personnel – (Farm Assistant)	2,999
10149000 58002	FICA	1,859
10511100 58002	FICA	164
10711000 58002	FICA	229
10990100 59055	Transfer to Road Machinery Fund	<u>1,343</u>
		33,029

Decrease Estimated Appropriations:

10199000 54982	Subcontingency – Salaries	20,824
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Increase Estimated Revenues:		
10131000 428551	Transfer from County Road Fund	12,205

COUNTY ROAD FUND:

Increase Estimated Appropriations:		
10511000 51000 (10148)	Personnel – (Lead CEO)	1,819
10511000 51000 (10149)	Personnel – (Tree MEO I)	587
10511000 58002	FICA	482
02990100 59030	Transfer to General Fund	<u>12,205</u>
		15,093

Decrease Estimated Appropriations:		
10511000 51000 (10135)	Personnel – (RMEO II)	13,745
10511000 58002	FICA	<u>1,348</u>
		15,093

ROAD MACHINERY FUND:

Increase Estimated Appropriations:		
10513000 51000 (10113)	Personnel – (Chief Mechanic II)	1,248
10513000 58002	FICAS	<u>95</u>
		1,343

Increase Estimated Revenues:		
10513000 428601	Transfer from General Fund	1,343

2020 Fiscal Impact – 0 –
2021 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item #6c – Approval/ Budgetary Amendment (20A052)/ Commissioner of Finance/ Unemployment Insurance/ CARES Act was next. On behalf of the members of the Personnel Committee, Legislators Jonke and Montgomery, Legislator Nacerino moved the following:

Legislator Nacerino stated that the County estimates receiving \$96,000 in Federal Aid through the CARES Act.

RESOLUTION #153

**APPROVAL/ BUDGETARY AMENDMENT/ COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE/
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE/ CARES ACT**

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Labor has notified Putnam County that for all unemployment benefits paid from March 13, 2020 through December 31, 2020, the Federal government will pay 50% of the County’s cost through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act; and

Item #6e – Approval/ Budgetary Transfer (20T193)/ Personnel Department/ Reorganization was next. On behalf of the members of the Personnel Committee, Legislators Jonke and Montgomery, Legislator Nacerino moved the following:

Chairwoman Nacerino stated that the Personnel Department Reorganization was also presented at the September 23, 2020 Personnel Committee meeting. She stated that unprecedented circumstances involving vacancies and medical leave had precipitated the need to restructure the department. She explained that the Personnel Department not only plays an intricate role within the County, but also in our school districts, municipalities, libraries and many other agencies which fall under the umbrella of the Putnam County Personnel Department. She stated that it is imperative that they operate at peak performance.

RESOLUTION #155

APPROVAL/ BUDGETARY TRANSFER/ PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT/ REORGANIZATION

WHEREAS, the Personnel Director has requested a budgetary transfer (20T193) to provide for the proposed Reorganization of his department due to four (4) staff members, out of 10 budgeted positions, leaving over the past 14 months for various reasons; and

WHEREAS, at the Personnel Committee meeting held on September 23, 2020, the Committee reviewed and approved the Reorganizational proposal submitted by the Personnel Director; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Finance has submitted said budgetary transfer to provide for the implementation of this Reorganization; and

WHEREAS, the Personnel Committee and the Audit & Administration have reviewed and approved said budgetary transfer; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the following budgetary transfer be made:

GENERAL FUND:

Increase Estimated Appropriations:

10143000 51000 (10113)	Personnel – (Personnel Assistant)	15,689
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Decrease Estimated Appropriations:

10143000 51000 (10115)	Personnel – (Principle Office Assistant)	15,689
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2020 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

2021 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**PHYSICAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
(Chairman Albano, Legislators Gouldman & Nacerino)**

Item #6f – Approval/ Budgetary Amendment (20A056)/ Planning Department/ Soil & Water/ Purchase Equipment was next. Chairwoman Addonizio recognized Legislator Albano, Chairman of the Physical Services Committee. On behalf of the members of the Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Nacerino, Legislator Albano moved the following:

RESOLUTION #156

**APPROVAL/ BUDGETARY AMENDMENT/ PLANNING DEPARTMENT/ SOIL & WATER/
PURCHASE EQUIPMENT**

WHEREAS, Putnam County Soil & Water District Manager has requested the use of 2019 Performance Measure funds in the Soil & Water Conservation District Trust to purchase the following pieces of equipment: slope mower, hauling trailer and two (2) trail quads for a total of \$80,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Soil & Water Conservation Committee has approved the use of these funds for these purchases; and

WHEREAS, the Physical Services Committee and the Audit & Administration Committee have reviewed and approved said request; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the following budgetary amendment (20A056) be made:

Increase Appropriations:

10874500 52180	Soil & Water – Other Equipment	2,300
10874500 52650	Soil & Water – Motor Vehicles	22,000
10874500 52680	Soil & Water – Other Equipment	<u>55,700</u>
		80,000

Increase Revenues:

10874500 439105	Soil & Water – Performance Measure	80,000
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2020 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

2021 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item #6g – Approval/ Budgetary Transfer (20T181)/ Commissioner of Highways & Facilities/ Overtime was next. On behalf of the members of the Physical Services Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Nacerino, Legislator Albano moved the following:

RESOLUTION #157

**APPROVAL/ BUDGETARY TRANSFER/ COMMISSIONER OF HIGHWAYS & FACILITIES/
OVERTIME**

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Highways & Facilities has requested a budgetary transfer (20T181) to fund Overtime depleted due to the callouts required to cleanup from the series of summertime storms experienced throughout the County; and

WHEREAS, the Physical Services Committee and the Audit & Administration Committee have reviewed and approved said budgetary transfer; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the following budgetary transfer be made:

GENERAL FUND:

Increase Estimated Appropriations:

10990100 59010	Transfer to County Road Fund	32,295
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Decrease Estimated Appropriations:
10199000 54980 Contingency 32,295

COUNTY ROAD FUND:

Increase Estimated Appropriations:
10511000 51093 Overtime 30,000
10511000 58002 FICA 2,295
32,295

Increase Estimated Revenues:
10511000 428601 Transfer from General Fund 32,295

2020 Fiscal Impact - \$32,295

2021 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item #6h – Approval/ Bond Resolution/ Preparation Of Surveys, Preliminary And Detailed Plans, Specifications and Estimates Necessary for Planning the Construction of Improvements to Various County Roads and/or Bridges/ \$590,000 was next. On behalf of the members of the Physical Services Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Nacerino, Legislator Albano moved the following:

RESOLUTION #158

EXTRACT OF MINUTES

Meeting of the County Legislature of

the County of Putnam, New York

October 6, 2020

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A regular meeting of the County Legislature of the County of Putnam, New York, was on October 6, 2020, at 7 o'clock P.M. (Prevailing Time).

The following Legislators participated by Audio Conference pursuant to Governor's Executive Order: Albano, Castellano, Gouldman, Jonke, Montgomery, Nacerino, Sayegh, Sullivan and Chairwoman Addonizio.

There were absent: NONE

**Also present: Diane Schonfeld, Clerk of the County Legislature
Robert Firriolo, Legislative Counsel**

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Legislator Albano offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

BOND RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF PUTNAM, NEW YORK, ADOPTED OCTOBER 6, 2020, AUTHORIZING THE PREPARATION OF SURVEYS, PRELIMINARY AND DETAILED PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES NECESSARY FOR PLANNING THE CONSTRUCTION OF IMPROVEMENTS TO VARIOUS COUNTY ROADS AND/OR BRIDGES; STATING THE ESTIMATED TOTAL COST THEREOF IS \$590,000; APPROPRIATING SAID AMOUNT THEREFOR, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$590,000 SERIAL BONDS OF SAID COUNTY TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION.

THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF PUTNAM, NEW YORK, HEREBY RESOLVES (by the favorable vote of not less than two-thirds of all the members of said Legislature) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The County of Putnam, New York (herein called "County"), is hereby authorized to prepare surveys, preliminary and detailed plans, specifications and estimates necessary for planning the construction of improvements to various county roads and/or bridges. The estimated total cost of said specific of object or purpose, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and to the financing thereof, is \$590,000 and said amount is hereby appropriated therefor. The plan of financing, includes the issuance of \$590,000 serial bonds of the County to finance said appropriation, and the levy and collection of taxes on all the taxable real property in the County to pay the principal of said bonds and the interest thereon as the same shall become due and payable.

Section 2. Bonds of the County in the principal amount of \$590,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, constituting Chapter 33-a of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York (herein called "Law"), to finance said appropriation.

Section 3. The period of probable usefulness of said specific object or purpose, within the limitations of Section 11.00 a. 62(2nd) of the Law, is five (5) years.

Section 4. The proceeds of the bonds herein authorized and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds may be applied to reimburse the County for expenditures made after the effective date of this resolution for the purpose for which said bonds are authorized. The foregoing statement of intent with respect to reimbursement is made in conformity with Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2 of the United States Treasury Department.

Section 5. Each of the bonds authorized by this resolution, and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds, shall contain the recital of validity as prescribed by Section 52.00 of the Law and said bonds, and any notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, shall be general obligations of the County, payable as to both principal and interest by general tax upon all the taxable real property within the County. The faith and credit of the County are hereby irrevocably pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds, and any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds, and provision shall be made annually in the budget of the County by appropriation for (a) the amortization and redemption of the bonds and any notes in anticipation thereof to mature in such year and (b) the payment of interest to be due and payable in such year.

Section 6. Subject to the provisions of this resolution and of the Law and pursuant to the provisions of Section 21.00 relative to the authorization of the issuance of

bonds having substantially level or declining annual debt service, Section 30.00 relative to the authorization of the issuance of bond anticipation notes or the renewals thereof, and Sections 50.00, 56.00 to 60.00 and 168.00 of the Law, the powers and duties of the County Legislature relative to authorizing bond anticipation notes, or the renewals thereof, and relative to providing for substantially level or declining annual debt service, and prescribing the terms, form and contents, and as to the sale and issuance of the bonds herein authorized, and of any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, and the renewals of said notes, as well as to executing agreements for credit enhancements, are hereby delegated to the Commissioner of Finance, the chief fiscal officer of the County.

Section 7. The validity of the bonds authorized by this resolution, and of any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds, may be contested only if:

(a) such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which the County is not authorized to expend money, or

(b) the provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of the publication of such resolution, or a summary thereof, are not substantially complied with,

and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication, or

(c) such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the constitution.

Section 8. This bond resolution shall take effect upon the approval of the Putnam County Executive, and the Clerk of the County Legislature is hereby authorized and directed to publish the foregoing resolution, in summary, together with a Notice attached in substantially the form prescribed by §81.00 of the Law in "*The Putnam County Courier*," "*The Putnam Press*," and "*The Putnam County News & Recorder*," three newspapers, each having a general circulation in the County and hereby designated as the official newspapers of the County for such publications.

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The adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

AYES: NINE – Legislators Albano, Castellano, Gouldman, Jonke, Montgomery, Nacerino, Sayegh, Sullivan and Chairwoman Addonizio.

NOES: NONE

The resolution was declared adopted.

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CERTIFICATE

I, Diane Schonfeld, Clerk to the County Legislature of the County of Putnam, State of New York, HEREBY CERTIFY that the Resolution No. 158-2020 contained in the foregoing annexed extract from the minutes of a meeting of the County Legislature of said County of Putnam duly called and held on October 6, 2020, has been compared by me with the original minutes as officially recorded in my office in the Minute Book of said County Legislature and is a true, complete and correct copy thereof and of the whole of said original Resolution, which was duly adopted by the County Legislature of the County of Putnam on October 6, 2020 and approved by the County Executive on May ____, 2020.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of said County of Putnam this ____ day of October, 2020.

(SEAL)

Diane Schonfeld
Clerk to the County Legislature

NOTICE

The resolution, a summary of which is published herewith, has been adopted on October 6, 2020, and the validity of the obligations authorized by such resolution may be hereafter contested only if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the COUNTY OF PUTNAM, New York, is not authorized to expend money or if the provisions of law which should have been complied with as of the date of publication of this Notice were not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the publication of this Notice, or such obligations were authorized in violation of the provisions of the constitution.

Diane Schonfeld
Clerk to the County Legislature

BOND RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF PUTNAM, NEW YORK, ADOPTED OCTOBER 6, 2020, AUTHORIZING THE PREPARATION OF SURVEYS, PRELIMINARY AND DETAILED PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES NECESSARY FOR PLANNING THE CONSTRUCTION OF IMPROVEMENTS TO VARIOUS COUNTY ROADS AND/OR BRIDGES; STATING THE ESTIMATED TOTAL COST THEREOF IS \$590,000; APPROPRIATING SAID AMOUNT THEREFOR, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$590,000 SERIAL BONDS OF SAID COUNTY TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION.

Object or purpose: to prepare surveys, preliminary and detailed plans, specifications and estimates necessary for planning the construction of improvements to various county roads and/or bridges.

Period of probable usefulness: five (5) years

Amount of obligations to be issued: \$590,000

A complete copy of the bond resolution summarized above shall be available for public inspection during normal business hours at the office of the Clerk to the Legislature, at the County Office Building, 40 Gleneida Avenue, Carmel, New York.

Dated: October 6, 2020
Carmel, New York

Item #6i – Approval/ Budgetary Amendment (20A053)/ Commissioner of Planning/ Adjust Capital Budget Accounts / Peekskill Hollow Road/ Sodom Road Bridge/ Fair Street was next. On behalf of the members of the Physical Services Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Nacerino, Legislator Albano moved the following:

Legislator Montgomery questioned how the 2021 fiscal impact is undetermined debt service. She also questioned if we knew what the bond rate was.

Legislator Albano stated that we know that the bond rates are at a historic low. He stated that as far as the debt, he explained that once projects are ready to start they go out to bid and at that point there could always be changes.

RESOLUTION #159

APPROVAL/ BUDGETARY AMENDMENT / COMMISSIONER OF PLANNING/ ADJUST CAPITAL BUDGET ACCOUNTS / PEEKSKILL HOLLOW ROAD/ SODOM ROAD BRIDGE/ FAIR STREET

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Planning has requested a budgetary amendment (20A053) to adjust the Capital Budget Accounts with the most recent

estimates per attached memorandum from the Commissioner of Highways & Facilities for the following projects: Peekskill Hollow Road, Sodom Road Bridge and Fair Street; and

WHEREAS, the Physical Services Committee and the Audit & Administration Committee have reviewed and approved said budgetary amendment; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the following budgetary amendment be made:

CAPITAL FUND:

Increase Estimated Appropriations:

55197000 53000 50245	Peekskill Hollow Rd – PIN 8757.48	80,000
55197000 53000 50241	Sodom Rd Bridge – PIN 8756.04	100,000
55997000 53000 51622	Fair Street – PIN 8756.09	<u>410,000</u>
		590,000

Increase Estimated Revenues:

05000 45710L 50245	Serial Bond Proceeds – 2021	80,000
05000 45710L 50241	Serial Bond Proceeds – 2021	100,000
05000 45710L 51622	Serial Bond Proceeds – 2021	<u>410,000</u>
		590,000

2020 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

2021 Fiscal Impact – Undetermined Debt Service

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item #6j – Approval/ Authorizing the Implementation, and Funding in the First Instance 100% of the Federal-Aid and State “Marchiselli” Program-Aid Eligible Costs, of a Transportation Federal-Aid Project, and Appropriating Funds therefore (Peekskill Hollow Road) was next. On behalf of the members of the Physical Services Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Nacerino, Legislator Albano moved the following:

RESOLUTION #160

AUTHORIZING THE IMPLEMENTATION, AND FUNDING IN THE FIRST INSTANCE 100% OF THE FEDERAL-AID AND STATE "MARCHISELLI" PROGRAM-AID ELIGIBLE COSTS, OF A TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL-AID PROJECT, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE (Peekskill Hollow Road)

WHEREAS, a Project for the Reconstruction of Peekskill Hollow and the Rehabilitation of Peekskill Hollow Road over Peekskill Hollow Creek (BIN 3345640) in the Town of Putnam Valley, PIN 8757.48 (the “Project”) is eligible for funding under Title 23 U.S. Code, as amended, that calls for the apportionment of the costs such program to be borne at the ratio of 80% Federal funds and 20% non-federal funds; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 119 adopted by Putnam County on June 4, 2019 approved and agreed to advance the Project by making a commitment of 100% of the non-federal share of the costs of construction and construction inspection work; and

WHEREAS, it was subsequently found necessary to undertake additional construction and construction inspection work not contemplated in the original agreement authorized by the previous Resolution; and

WHEREAS, it has been found necessary to increase the federal and non-federal share of costs for the additional construction and construction inspection work for the project; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the Putnam County Legislature, duly convened does hereby

RESOLVE, that the Putnam County Legislature hereby approves the above-subject project; and it is hereby further

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Legislature hereby authorizes Putnam County to pay in the first instance 100% of the federal and non-federal share of the cost of the additional construction and construction inspection work for the Project or portions thereof; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the sum of \$5,000,000 (\$14,006,000 minus previous \$9,006,000) is hereby appropriated from the Putnam County Capital Budget line number 05 55197000 53000 50245 and made available to cover the cost of participation in the above phases of the Project; and it is further

RESOLVED, that in the event the full federal and non-federal share costs of the project exceeds the amount appropriated above, the Putnam County Legislature shall convene as soon as possible to appropriate said excess amount immediately upon the notification by the County Executive thereof, and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Executive, on behalf of Putnam County, be and is hereby authorized to execute all necessary Agreements, certifications or reimbursement requests for Federal Aid and/or applicable Marchiselli Aid on behalf of Putnam County with the New York State Department of Transportation in connection with the advancement or approval of the Project and providing for the administration of the Project and Putnam County's first instance funding of project costs and permanent funding of the local share of federal-aid and state-aid eligible Project costs and all Project costs within appropriations therefore that are not so eligible, and it is further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive, with the advice and assistance of the County Attorney, is authorized to finalize and execute all necessary documents, including, without limitation, the State/Local Agreement, in connection with the Project; and it is further

RESOLVED, that in addition to the Putnam County Executive, the Commissioner of Highways and Facilities and the Commissioner of Finance are also hereby authorized, with the consent of the County Executive, to execute any necessary Agreements or certifications on behalf of Putnam County, with New York State Department of Transportation in connection with the advancement or approval of the project identified in the State/Local Agreement; and it is further

RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be filed with the New York State Commissioner of Transportation by attaching it to any necessary Agreement in connection with the Project, and it is further

RESOLVED, this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item #6k – Approval/ Bond Resolution/ Portions of Peekskill Hollow Road and Related Bridge Improvements \$1,000,000 was next. On behalf of the members of the Physical Services Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Nacerino, Legislator Albano moved the following:

RESOLUTION #161

EXTRACT OF MINUTES

**Meeting of the County Legislature of
the County of Putnam, New York**

October 6, 2020

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A regular meeting of the County Legislature of the County of Putnam, New York, was held on October 6, 2020, at 7 o'clock P.M. (Prevailing Time).

The following Legislators participated by Audio Conference pursuant to

Governor's Executive Order: Albano, Castellano, Gouldman, Jonke, Montgomery, Nacerino, Sayegh, Sullivan and Chairwoman Addonizio.

There were absent: NONE

**Also present: Diane Schonfeld, Clerk of the County Legislature
Robert Firriolo, Legislative Counsel**

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Legislator Albano offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

BOND RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF PUTNAM, NEW YORK, ADOPTED OCTOBER 6, 2020, AUTHORIZING THE REHABILITATION OF PORTIONS OF PEEKSKILL HOLLOW ROAD AND RELATED BRIDGE IMPROVEMENTS AND/OR REHABILITATIONS; STATING THE ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST THEREOF IS \$14,006,000; APPROPRIATING 5,000,000 THEREFOR IN ADDITION TO THE \$9,006,000 HERETOFORE APPROPRIATED, INCLUDING THE EXPENDITURE OF APPROXIMATELY \$4,000,000 GRANT FUNDS EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED IN ADDITION TO THE \$7,205,000 GRANT FUNDS PREVIOUSLY EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED; AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,000,000 SERIAL BONDS OF SAID COUNTY, IN ADDITION TO THE \$1,801,000 HERETOFORE AUTHORIZED, TO FINANCE A PORTION OF SAID ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION.

WHEREAS, the County Legislature of the County of Putnam has heretofore adopted a bond resolution dated June 4, 2019, appropriating \$9,006,000 serial bonds for the rehabilitation of portions of Peekskill Hollow Road and related bridge improvements and/or rehabilitations (the "Project"), and authorizing the issuance of \$1,801,000 serial bonds to finance a portion of said appropriation; and

WHEREAS, the cost of construction of the Project has increased and it has now become necessary to increase said appropriation and increase the amount of bonds to be authorized, now therefore,

THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF PUTNAM, NEW YORK, HEREBY RESOLVES (by the favorable vote of not less than two-thirds of all the members of said Legislature) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The County of Putnam, New York (herein called "County"), is hereby authorized to rehabilitate portions of Peekskill Hollow Road and related bridge improvements and/or rehabilitations, including, but not limited to, road realignments, full-depth reconstruction, drainage and guiderail improvements, bridge widening and/or deck and superstructure replacement, and all ancillary and related site, demolition and other work required in connection therewith (the "Project"). The estimated maximum cost thereof, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and to the financing thereof, is \$14,006,000, and \$5,000,000 is hereby appropriated therefor in addition to the \$9,006,000 previously appropriated therefor. Such \$5,000,000 additional appropriation includes the expenditure of \$4,000,000 in anticipated grant funds to be received, in addition to the \$7,205,000 in grant funds previously anticipated to be received for the Project. The plan of financing of such \$5,000,000 additional appropriation includes the expenditure of said \$4,000,000 grant funds and the issuance of \$1,000,000 serial bonds of the County, and the levy and collection of taxes on all the taxable real property in the County to pay the principal of said bonds and the interest thereon as the same shall become due and payable.

Section 2. Bonds of the County in the principal amount of \$1,000,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, constituting Chapter 33-a of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York (herein called "Law"), to finance a portion of said \$5,000,000 additional appropriation.

Section 3. The period of probable usefulness of the object or purpose for which said bonds are authorized to be issued, within the limitations of Section 11.00 a. 91 of the Law, is fifteen (15) years.

Section 4. The proceeds of the bonds herein authorized and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds may be applied to reimburse the County for expenditures made after the effective date of this resolution for the purpose for which said bonds are authorized. The foregoing statement of intent with respect to reimbursement is made in conformity with Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2 of the United States Treasury Department.

Section 5. Each of the bonds authorized by this resolution, and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds, shall contain the recital of validity as prescribed by Section 52.00 of the Law and said bonds, and any notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, shall be general obligations of the County, payable as to both principal and interest by general tax upon all the taxable real property within the County. The faith and credit of the County are hereby irrevocably pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds, and any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds, and provision shall be made annually in the budget of the County by appropriation for (a) the amortization and redemption of the bonds and any notes in anticipation thereof to mature in such year and (b) the payment of interest to be due and payable in such year.

Section 6. Subject to the provisions of this resolution and of the Law and pursuant to the provisions of Section 21.00 relative to the authorization of the issuance of bonds having substantially level or declining annual debt service, Section 30.00 relative to the authorization of the issuance of bond anticipation notes or the renewals thereof, and Sections 50.00, 56.00 to 60.00 and 168.00 of the Law, the powers and duties of the County Legislature relative to authorizing bond anticipation notes, or the renewals thereof, and relative to providing for substantially level or declining annual debt service, and prescribing the terms, form and contents, and as to the sale and issuance of the bonds

herein authorized, and of any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, and the renewals of said notes, as well as to executing agreements for credit enhancements, are hereby delegated to the Commissioner of Finance, the chief fiscal officer of the County.

Section 7. The validity of the bonds authorized by this resolution, and of any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds, may be contested only if:

(a) such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which the County is not authorized to expend money, or

(b) the provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of the publication of such resolution, or a summary thereof, are not substantially complied with,

and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication, or

(c) such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the constitution.

Section 8. This bond resolution shall take effect upon the approval of the Putnam County Executive, and the Clerk of the County Legislature is hereby authorized and directed to publish the foregoing resolution, in summary, together with a Notice attached in substantially the form prescribed by §81.00 of the Law in "*The Putnam County Courier*," "*The Putnam Press*," and "*The Putnam County News & Recorder*," three newspapers, each having a general circulation in the County and hereby designated as the official newspapers of the County for such publications.

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The adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

AYES: NINE – Legislators Albano, Castellano, Gouldman, Jonke, Montgomery, Nacerino, Sayegh, Sullivan and Chairwoman Addonizio.

NOES: NONE

The resolution was declared adopted.

CERTIFICATE

I, Diane Schonfeld, Clerk to the County Legislature of the County of Putnam, State of New York, HEREBY CERTIFY that the Resolution No. 161-2020 contained in the foregoing annexed extract from the minutes of a meeting of the County Legislature of said County of Putnam duly called and held on October 6, 2020, has been compared by me with the original minutes as officially recorded in my office in the Minute Book of said County Legislature and is a true, complete and correct copy thereof and of the whole of said original Resolution, which was duly adopted by the County Legislature of the County of Putnam on October 6, 2020 and approved by the County Executive on October __, 2020.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of said County of Putnam this ____ day of October, 2020.

(SEAL)

Diane Schonfeld
Clerk to the County Legislature

NOTICE

The resolution, a summary of which is published herewith, has been adopted on October 6, 2020, and the validity of the obligations authorized by such resolution may be hereafter contested only if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the COUNTY OF PUTNAM, New York, is not authorized to expend money or if the provisions of law which should have been complied with as of the date of publication of this Notice were not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the publication of this Notice, or such obligations were authorized in violation of the provisions of the constitution.

Diane Schonfeld
Clerk to the County Legislature

**BOND RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF PUTNAM, NEW YORK,
ADOPTED OCTOBER 6, 2020, AUTHORIZING THE REHABILITATION
OF PORTIONS OF PEEKSKILL HOLLOW ROAD AND RELATED
BRIDGE IMPROVEMENTS AND/OR REHABILITATIONS; STATING**

THE ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST THEREOF IS \$14,006,000; APPROPRIATING 5,000,000 THEREFOR IN ADDITION TO THE \$9,006,000 HERETOFORE APPROPRIATED, INCLUDING THE EXPENDITURE OF APPROXIMATELY \$4,000,000 GRANT FUNDS EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED IN ADDITION TO THE \$7,205,000 GRANT FUNDS PREVIOUSLY EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED; AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,000,000 SERIAL BONDS OF SAID COUNTY, IN ADDITION TO THE \$1,801,000 HERETOFORE AUTHORIZED, TO FINANCE A PORTION OF SAID ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION.

Object or purpose: to rehabilitate portions of Peekskill Hollow Road and related bridge improvements and/or rehabilitations, including, but not limited to, road realignments, full-depth reconstruction, drainage and guiderail improvements, bridge widening and/or deck and superstructure replacement, and all ancillary and related site, demolition and other work required in connection therewith.

Period of probable usefulness: fifteen (15) years

Amount of obligations to be issued: \$1,000,000

A complete copy of the bond resolution summarized above shall be available for public inspection during normal business hours at the office of the Clerk to the Legislature, at the County Office Building, 40 Gleneida Avenue, Carmel, New York.

Dated: October 6, 2020
Carmel, New York

Item #6L – Approval/ Budgetary Amendment (20A054)/ Commissioner of Planning/ Adjust Capital Budget/ Peekskill Hollow Road Project was next. On behalf of the members of the Physical Services Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Nacerino, Legislator Albano moved the following:

Legislator Montgomery questioned what caused the project to go beyond the 10-year limit.

Legislator Albano stated that we could invite representatives from the Planning Department and Highways & Facilities Department to explain this in depth. He stated that he too asked that question. He stated that there are so many factors. He stated that one (1) thing he was told was that at one (1) point plans were developed in the metric scale and then they were told that they needed to be converted to a different scale. He stated that so many different things come up with these projects; right of ways get changed and projects are shortened or lengthened. He stated that he finds it upsetting that it takes this long.

Legislator Montgomery stated that we have the Federal and State funding for these projects and then we don't meet the deadlines. She questioned if we were working at Tilly Foster Farm and the Golf Course and neglecting these projects. She questioned why they weren't getting done on time.

Legislator Albano stated that these are multimillion-dollar projects that take a lot of planning. He stated that it is a good question and we can bring it up at a future Physical Services Committee meeting.

RESOLUTION #162

APPROVAL/ BUDGETARY AMENDMENT/ COMMISSIONER OF PLANNING/ ADJUST CAPITAL BUDGET/ PEEKSKILL HOLLOW ROAD PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Planning has requested a budgetary amendment (20A054) to adjust the Capital Budget to include funding for the Peekskill Hollow Road Construction Project per the attached memorandum from Highways & Facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Physical Services Committee and the Audit & Administration Committee have reviewed and approved said budgetary amendment; now therefore be it RESOLVED, that the following budgetary amendment be made:

CAPITAL FUND:

Increase Estimated Appropriations:

55197000 53000 50245	Peekskill Hollow Rd – PIN 8757.48	5,000,000
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Increase Estimated Revenues:

55197000 445971 50245	Fed Aid – Peekskill Hollow Rd – PIN 8757.48	4,000,000
05000 45710L 50245	Serial Bond Proceeds – 2021	<u>1,000,000</u>
		5,000,000

2020 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

2021 Fiscal Impact – Undetermined Debt Service

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item #6m – Approval/ Authorizing the Implementation, and Funding in the First Instance 100% of the Federal-Aid and State “Marchiselli” Program-Aid Eligible Costs, of a Transportation Federal-Aid Project, and Appropriating Funds Therefore (Drewville Road Bridge) was next. On behalf of the members of the Physical Services Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Nacerino, Legislator Albano moved the following:

RESOLUTION #163

AUTHORIZING THE IMPLEMENTATION, AND FUNDING IN THE FIRST INSTANCE 100% OF THE FEDERAL-AID AND STATE "MARCHISELLI" PROGRAM-AID ELIGIBLE COSTS, OF A TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL-AID PROJECT, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE (Drewville Road Bridge)

WHEREAS, a Project for the Drewville Road (CR 36) over West Branch of Croton River Bridge Replacement (BIN 3345550) in the Town of Carmel, Putnam County, PIN 8757.65 (the "Project") is eligible for funding under Title 23 U.S. Code, as amended, that calls for the apportionment of the costs such program to be borne at the ratio of 80% Federal funds and 20% non-federal funds; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 94 adopted by Putnam County on May 7, 2019 approved and agreed to advance the Project by making a commitment of 100% of the non-federal share of the costs of preliminary engineering and right-of-way incidental work; and

WHEREAS, it was subsequently found necessary to undertake additional preliminary engineering work not contemplated in the original agreement authorized by the previous Resolution; and

WHEREAS, it has been found necessary to increase the federal and non-federal share of costs for the additional preliminary engineering work for the project; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the Putnam County Legislature, duly convened does hereby

RESOLVE, that the Putnam County Legislature hereby approves the above-subject project; and it is hereby further

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Legislature hereby authorizes Putnam County to pay in the first instance 100% of the federal and non-federal share of the cost of the additional preliminary engineering work for the Project or portions thereof; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the sum of \$143,000 (\$485,000 minus previous \$342,000) is hereby appropriated from the Putnam County Capital Budget line number 05 55197000 53000 51912 and made available to cover the cost of participation in the above phases of the Project; and it is further

RESOLVED, that in the event the full federal and non-federal share costs of the Project exceeds the amount appropriated above, the Putnam County Legislature shall convene as soon as possible to appropriate said excess amount immediately upon the notification by the Putnam County Executive thereof, and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Executive, on behalf of Putnam County, be and is hereby authorized to execute all necessary Agreements, certifications or reimbursement requests for Federal Aid and/or applicable Marchiselli Aid on behalf of Putnam County with the New York State Department of Transportation in connection with the advancement or approval of the Project and providing for the administration of the Project and Putnam County's first instance funding of project costs and permanent funding of the local share of federal-aid and state-aid eligible Project costs and all Project costs within appropriations therefore that are not so eligible, and it is further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive, with the advice and assistance of the County Attorney, is authorized to finalize and execute all necessary documents, including, without limitation, the State/Local Agreement, in connection with the Project; and it is further

RESOLVED, that in addition to the Putnam County Executive, the Commissioner of Highways and Facilities and the Commissioner of Finance are also hereby authorized, with the consent of the County Executive, to execute any necessary Agreements or certifications on behalf of Putnam County, with New York State Department of Transportation in connection with the advancement or approval of the project identified in the State/Local Agreement; and it is further

RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be filed with the New York State Commissioner of Transportation by attaching it to any necessary Agreement in connection with the Project, and it is further

RESOLVED, this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item #6n – Approval/ Application/ State and Municipal Facilities Program Grant for Bathroom Renovations at the Putnam County Facility Located at 9 Drew Lane, Town of Carmel, County of Putnam/ SEQRA Determination was next. On behalf of the members of the Physical Services Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Nacerino, Legislator Albano moved the following:

RESOLUTION #164

APPROVAL/ APPLICATION/ STATE AND MUNICIPAL FACILITIES PROGRAM GRANT FOR BATHROOM RENOVATIONS AT THE PUTNAM COUNTY FACILITY LOCATED AT 9 DREW LANE, TOWN OF CARMEL, COUNTY OF PUTNAM/ SEQRA DETERMINATION

WHEREAS, Section 5-2(E) of the Putnam County Code provides, in relevant part, that an applicant of any grant application not requiring any Putnam County (the “County”) matching funds shall notify the Putnam County Legislature (the “Legislature”) of the submission of a grant application and, further, if the Legislature objects to such grant application, the applicant shall withdraw it forthwith; and

WHEREAS, by and through the State of New York and the Office of Senator Peter Harckham (New York State Senate), the County can receive funding in the amount of \$50,000 through the Dormitory Authority State of New York (“DASNY”) and awarded by the State and Municipal Facilities Program (“SAM”) to subsidize the costs associated with the renovations, improvements and related upgrades to the bathroom(s) at the County facility located at 9 Drew Lane, in the Town of Carmel, County of Putnam (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, there is no matching fund requirement by the County to accept the \$50,000 SAM grant for costs associated with the Project; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Project includes, without limitation, renovations, improvements and related upgrades to the bathroom(s) at the aforesaid County facility (the “Action”); and

WHEREAS, the Action is determined to be a Type II Action in accordance with 6 NYCRR Part 617, §617.5(c)(2) “replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind, on the same site” including upgrading buildings to meet building or fire codes, unless such action meets or exceeds any of the thresholds in section 6 NYCRR Part 617, §617.4; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the County Legislature supports the submission, by and through the Department of Planning, Development and Public Transportation, of its application for grant funding in the amount of \$50,000, such grant administered through DASNY and awarded by SAM, and is hereby authorized and approved by the County Legislature; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Legislature accepts the determination that this project is a Type II Action and, pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) 6 NYCRR Part 617, §617.6(a)(1)(i), there is no further environmental review necessary in connection herewith.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item #6o – Approval/ Grant Application/ State and Municipal Facilities Grant Program/ Highway Infrastructure Improvement Project was next. On behalf of the members of the Physical Services Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Nacerino, Legislator Albano moved the following:

RESOLUTION #165

APPROVAL/ GRANT APPLICATION/ STATE AND MUNICIPAL FACILITIES GRANT PROGRAM/ HIGHWAY INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, Section 5-2(E) of the Putnam County Code provides, in relevant part, that an applicant of any grant application not requiring any local Putnam County (the “County”) matching funds shall notify the Putnam County Legislature (the “Legislature”) of the submission of a grant application and, further, if the Legislature objects to such grant application, the applicant shall withdraw it forthwith; and

WHEREAS, by and through the State of New York and the Office of Senator Peter Harckham (New York State Senate), the County can receive a State and Municipal (“SAM”) Facilities Grant in the amount of \$1,085,000, such grant administered through the Dormitory Authority State of New York (“DASNY”), for highway infrastructure improvements, including roadway and signal improvements on roadways in Putnam County, such improvements aimed to, among other things, widen certain roadways, create turning lanes and re-align specific intersections, median closures/reconstruction, drainage, striping and related tasks (collectively, the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the grant funds is to subsidize the costs associated with the Project; and

WHEREAS, there is no matching fund requirement by the County to accept the SAM grant for the Project; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Legislature authorizes and approves the County’s submission, by the Department of Planning, Development and Public Transportation, of its application for a \$1,085,000 grant administered through DASNY and awarded by the SAM Facilities Grant Program for the Project; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item #6p – Approval/ Lead Agency/ SEQRA Determination/ Fair Street (CR 60) Reconstruction Project (PIN 8756.09) was next. On behalf of the members of the Physical Services Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Nacerino, Legislator Albano moved the following:

RESOLUTION #166

LEAD AGENCY/ SEQRA DETERMINATION/ FAIR STREET (CR 60) RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT (PIN 8756.09)

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Legislature is considering the approval of a Putnam County Highways and Facilities project that involves the reconstruction of Fair Street (CR 60) from Route 52 to a point east of Hill and Dale Road, for a total project length of

approximately 1.3 miles. Fair Street will be reconstructed to address, among others, the deteriorated pavement structure, inadequate drainage, and safety deficiencies located along the roadway. The reconstructed roadway will closely approximate the existing roadway alignment. As part of the construction, the 3 culverts conveying Fair Street over Michael Brook and a tributary of Michael Brook will be replaced. The project will also include construction of a sidewalk along the north side of the road from Route 52 to Hill and Dale Road, and a second sidewalk along the south side of the road from Route 52 to the Carmel High School. A left turn lane will be added on Fair Street at its Route 52 approach. A two-way left-turn lane (median) will be added from this left turn lane to Waring Drive. The proposed project will require the acquisition and demolition of one residential home directly east of Waring Drive in the area of the Michael Brook culvert.; and

WHEREAS, the proposed action is subject to review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act and the Regulations promulgated thereunder (“SEQRA 6 NYCRR Part 617”); and

WHEREAS, other potential involved or interested agencies have been identified in connection with the proposed action; and

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Legislature hereby declares its intent to act as the Lead Agency under the procedures and requirements of SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, a full Environmental Assessment form (EAF) has been prepared for the proposed project, together with supporting documentation, and is annexed hereto as “Schedule A”; and

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Legislature, after a review of SEQRA 6 NYCRR Part 617, finds that the proposed action is a Type I action; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Legislature will conduct a coordinated SEQRA environmental review for the proposed action; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item #6q – Approval/ Initial Offer Amount of County Property to be Sold Utilizing a Real Estate Broker & MLS Pursuant to Chapter 31 of the Putnam County Code/ 20 Fair Street, Town of Carmel (White House) was next. On behalf of the members of the Physical Services Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Nacerino, Legislator Albano moved the following:

Legislator Jonke stated that he would be voting against this for the reasons he mentioned during the discussion at the Physical Services Committee meeting. He believed that we should have a licensed appraiser give us a certified appraisal on this property instead of a Comparative Market Analysis (CMA) from a realtor.

RESOLUTION #167

APPROVAL/ INITIAL OFFER AMOUNT OF COUNTY PROPERTY TO BE SOLD UTILIZING A REAL ESTATE BROKER & MLS PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 31 OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY CODE/ 20 FAIR STREET, TOWN OF CARMEL (White House)

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution # 132 of 2020, the Putnam County Legislature authorized the County Executive to offer the parcel of real property identified as 20 Fair Street, Carmel, New York (Carmel Tax Map Number 44.18-1-17) (hereinafter the “Property”),

for sale through the applicable Multiple Listing Service utilizing the services of a licensed real estate broker under contract with the County; and

WHEREAS, pursuant Section 31-4 of the Putnam County Code the initial offer amount of the Property is to be determined by the County Executive, based upon a comparative market analysis, and with the advice and recommendation of the Legislature and the licensed real estate broker so retained; and

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Legislature has reviewed the comparative market analysis for the Property which was prepared by the real estate broker; and

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Legislature concurs with the initial offer amount of \$250,000.00 for the Property, as determined by the County Executive, and based upon said comparative market analysis and the recommendation of the licensed real estate broker so retained; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Legislature concurs with the initial offer amount of \$250,000.00 for the Property; and be it further

RESOLVED, that consistent with Section 31-4 of the Putnam County Code, the Putnam County Legislature approves the Property to be initially offered for sale at \$250,000.00; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: SEVEN AYES. TWO NAYS – LEGISLATORS JONKE & MONTGOMERY. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6r – Approval/ Lease Agreement/ Building #1 Tilly Foster Farm was next. On behalf of the members of the Physical Services Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Nacerino, Legislator Albano moved the following:

Legislator Montgomery stated that as she discussed during the Physical Services Committee meeting, she did not believe this was a smart financial decision. She stated that this item was added very late prior to the Committee meeting. It was clear that we had no understanding of the decision to lease this structure or how it was offered, or the risks of becoming landlords in the COVID 19 economy. She believed that if the tenant cannot pay the rent, the County would have little recourse to evict them under the Governor's Executive Orders. She explained that Legislator Albano mentioned that the \$45,000 in rental income would benefit the taxpayers. She believed that this clearly was not about maximizing profits or benefiting the taxpayers. She stated that a statement was also made that it was great to have this tenant in here to watch over farm. She was concerned about residential land use laws and being landlords in this case. She stated that if we are relying on the tenant to make sure that the pipes don't freeze and that the farm stays safe, she believed that we were not doing the taxpayers a service. She stated that this property should have been used for so many other things for the people of Putnam County that own it. She explained that it could be used for the Putnam Arts Council, Cornell Cooperative Extension and the Children's Advocacy Center. She did not believe this should be rented to a handpicked tenant.

Legislator Albano stated that this building has been a residential rental for as long as he has been a Legislator; approximately 10 years. He stated that there have never been any issues. He stated that it is a small residential building that probably would not be suited for some of the uses mentioned by Legislator Montgomery. He stated that he welcomes hearing any ideas. He stated that this is not a long-term lease. He stated that the building will be occupied, heated and will be an income for the County. He stated that he

did not see a problem with these small residential buildings being used for our residents. He stated that we are not looking to go into this business in the future, but it made sense at this time.

Legislator Montgomery stated that other uses have been presented for the other buildings at Tilly Foster Farm, like the Putnam Arts Council and Cornell Cooperative Extension. She believed they could find use in that space. She stated that it did not matter that it has been in residential use for 10 years. She stated that we should not be in this business.

RESOLUTION #168

APPROVAL/ LEASE AGREEMENT/ BUILDING # 1 TILLY FOSTER FARM

WHEREAS, the County of Putnam is the owner of certain real property located at 100 Route 312, Brewster, New York 10509, including the numerous buildings located thereon, which is commonly known as the Tilly Foster Farm; and

WHEREAS, one of residential buildings located on the Tilly Foster Farm, known as Building # 1 is presently not needed for the County's use; and

WHEREAS, Angelo P. Rossano is desirous of leasing Building # 1 at the Tilly Foster Farm; and

WHEREAS, the County is desirous of leasing Building # 1 at the Tilly Foster Farm to Angelo P. Rossano; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive, pursuant to the authority granted to her under Section 31-22 of the Putnam County Code, has entered into negotiations with Angelo P. Rossano for the lease of Building # 1 at the Tilly Foster Farm; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 31-22 of the Putnam County Code, the County Executive has requested that the Putnam County Legislature approve such Lease Agreement; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Building # 1 at the Tilly Foster Farm constitutes surplus space owned by the County; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Legislature approves the Lease Agreement between the County of Putnam and Angelo P. Rossano for Building # 1 at the Tilly Foster Farm, which shall be in substantial conformance with the form attached hereto and made a part hereof as Schedule "A", and that the Putnam County Executive is authorized to execute said Lease Agreement; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Attorney is authorized to take whatever legal action is necessary to effectuate the Lease Agreement between the County of Putnam and Angelo P. Rossano in the manner approved herein.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. ONE NAY – LEGISLATOR MONTGOMERY. MOTION CARRIES.

PROTECTIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE (Chairman Jonke, Legislators Nacerino & Sullivan)

Item #6s – Approval/ Fund Transfer (20T164)/ Sheriff's Department/ Communications – Cell Phones, Radio and Other Equipment was next. Chairwoman Addonizio recognized Legislator Jonke, Chairman of the Protective Services Committee. On behalf of the

members of the Committee, Legislators Nacerino and Sullivan, Legislator Jonke moved the following:

Legislator Gouldman explained that this will help our first responders and Sheriff's Department Deputies when they are out in the field. He explained that there are many areas in Putnam Valley that do not have cell phone or radio service. He stated that this equipment is for the betterment our deputies and County.

Legislator Montgomery stated that this is the result of a PESH complaint where there was a lapse in radio coverage. She explained that there was an incident in Putnam Valley and there was difficulty in calling for backup for our Sheriff's Deputies. She explained that there is a radio project on the table, and much like the Highway issues on Items #6i – 6L regarding bonding on Peekskill Hollow Road, here we are again that we have not met our radio project. She believed that we were paying fines and fees for a responsibility that we failed to fulfill. She questioned what has become of the \$10 million radio project and why are we spending another \$30,000 to scotch tape a critical problem. She believed that if we had handed it over to the MTA, it would have been a lot less expensive and it would have been done.

Legislator Sullivan stated that many people in the County have been working on the radio project. He explained that it comes down to the approvals necessary for cell towers to be located in certain communities that would allow communication capabilities. He stated that the Bureau of Emergency Services and the Sheriff's Department have been working on this project for years and they are trying to get it done as soon as possible. He stated that to think it was due to anyone's neglect is a bad representation of what has actually been occurring. He stated that everyone is working hard to get this project completed. He stated that it is not as easy as it has just been represented.

RESOLUTION #169

APPROVAL/ FUND TRANSFER/ SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT/ COMMUNICATIONS – CELL PHONES, RADIO AND OTHER EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Sheriff has requested a fund transfer (20T164) to cover increase in Cell Phone subscriber Public Employee Safety & Health (PESH) mitigation, Land Mobile Radio (LMR) Equipment for Cell Integration and Radio Interface LMR and Cell Equipment; and

WHEREAS, the Protective Services Committee and the Audit & Administration Committee have reviewed and approved said fund transfer; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the following fund transfer be made:

Decrease:

17311000 54560	Road Patrol Equip Rental Lease	29,991
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Increase:

13311000 54635	Communications Cell Phones	13,500
13311000 54540	Communications Radio Comm	7,315
13311000 52680	Communications Other Equip	<u>9,176</u>
		29,991

2020 Fiscal Impact – 0 –
2021 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item #6t – Approval/ Fund Transfer (20T195)/ Bureau of Emergency Services/ State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Grant/ Rescue Equipment was next. On behalf of the members of the Protective Services Committee, Legislators Nacerino and Sullivan, Legislator Jonke moved the following:

RESOLUTION #170

APPROVAL/ FUND TRANSFER/ BUREAU OF EMERGENCY SERVICES/ STATE HOMELAND SECURITY PROGRAM (SHSP) GRANT/ RESCUE EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS, by Resolution #36 of 2019, the Putnam County Legislature approved budgetary amendment (19A003) to account for the 2018 State Homeland Security Program Grant (SHSP) awarded in the amount of \$274,920; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Bureau of Emergency Services has requested fund transfer (20T195) to adjust the accounts appropriately for the purchase of Automated External Defibrillator (AED) machines for the County Buildings and Equipment for the dive team; and

WHEREAS, the Protective Services Committee and the Audit & Administration Committee have reviewed and approved said fund transfer; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the following fund transfer be made:

Decrease:

10398901 52695 10148	Rescue Equip – SHSP Grant	22,000
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Increase:

10398901 52195 10148	Rescue Equip – SHSP Grant	22,000
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2020 Fiscal Impact – 0 –
2021 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

AUDIT & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE
(Chairman Castellano, Legislators Gouldman & Sayegh)

Item #6u – Approval/ Fund Transfer (20T190)/ Commissioner of Finance/ Contracts was next. Chairwoman Addonizio recognized Legislator Castellano, Chairman of the Audit & Administration Committee. On behalf of the members of the Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Sayegh, Legislator Castellano moved the following:

RESOLUTION #171

APPROVAL/ FUND TRANSFER / COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE/ CONTRACTS

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Finance has requested a fund transfer (20T190) to fund the Contract line for 2020 financing costs; and

WHEREAS, the Audit & Administration Committee has reviewed and approved said fund transfer; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the following fund transfer be made:

Decrease:		
10199000 54980	General Contingencies	17,000

Increase:		
10131000 54646	Contracts	17,000

2020 Fiscal Impact - \$17,000

2021 Fiscal Impact - 0 -

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item #6v – Approval/ Fund Transfer (20T200)/ Board of Elections/ Printing – Supplies & Postage for Absentee Ballots was next. On behalf of the members of the Audit & Administration Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Sayegh, Legislator Castellano moved the following:

RESOLUTION #172

APPROVAL/ FUND TRANSFER/ BOARD OF ELECTIONS/ PRINTING – SUPPLIES & POSTAGE FOR ABSENTEE BALLOTS

WHEREAS, the Commissioners of Board of Elections have requested a fund transfer (20T200) to cover the costs for absentee ballot printing, purchase of collection bags for poll sites and postage for mailing absentee ballots; and

WHEREAS, the Audit & Administration Committee has reviewed and approved said fund transfer; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the following fund transfer be made:

Decrease:		
10145000 52680 10158	Other Equipment	11,693

Increase:		
10145000 54311 10158	Printing	3,368
10145000 54410 10158	Supplies	1,325
10145000 54314 10158	Postage	<u>7,000</u>
		11,693

2020 Fiscal Impact - 0 -

2021 Fiscal Impact - 0 -

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item #6w – Approval/ Local Law to Amend Chapter 41, Section 41-5 of the Code of Putnam County Entitled “Deposit & Investment Policy” was next. On behalf of the members of the Audit & Administration Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Sayegh, Legislator Castellano moved the following:

RESOLUTION #173

APPROVAL/ LOCAL LAW TO AMEND CHAPTER 41, SECTION 41-5 OF THE CODE OF PUTNAM COUNTY ENTITLED “DEPOSIT & INVESTMENT POLICY”

A Local Law to Amend Chapter 41, Section 41-5 of the Code of Putnam County Entitled “Deposit & Investment Policy”

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

Section 1.

Section 41-5. Designation of Official Depositories.

The banks and trust companies authorized for the deposit of monies up to the maximum amounts are:

DEPOSITORY NAME	MAXIMUM AMOUNT
JP Morgan Chase Bank NA	\$30,000,000
Key Bank	\$30,000,000
M&T Bank	\$30,000,000
People’s United Bank NA	\$10,000,000
Putnam County National Bank	\$20,000,000
PCSB Commercial Bank subsidiary of PCSB	\$20,000,000
Signature Bank	\$10,000,000
Sterling Bank	\$10,000,000
TD Bank	\$30,000,000
Tompkins Mahopac National Bank	\$20,000,000
Webster	\$30,000,000
Wells Fargo	\$10,000,000

Section 2.

Section 41-10 of the Putnam County Code Entitled “Purchase of Investments”, Subsection 41-10 A(2) is hereby amended to read as follows:

By utilizing eligible cash management program(s), approved by the Putnam County Legislature in which can be invested a maximum amount of \$30,000,000. Approved Cash Management programs include:

Subsection 2(a) and 2(b) to remain the same.

Section 3.

This local law shall take effect immediately.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item #6x – Approval/ Contract / Outside Auditors was next. On behalf of the members of the Audit & Administration Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Sayegh, Legislator Castellano moved the following:

Chairman Castellano that PKF O’Connor Davies has done an outstanding job as our Auditors. He encouraged everyone to support their contract.

Legislator Albano concurred and stated that they have done a fantastic job and they are very professional.

RESOLUTION #174

APPROVAL/ CONTRACT/ OUTSIDE AUDITORS

WHEREAS, on July 17, 2020, Putnam County issued a Request for Proposal for outside auditing services for the fiscal years ending December 31, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024 with the option of two, one-year renewals; and

WHEREAS, after a review of the eight proposals submitted in response to the Request for Proposal the Audit & Administration Committee recommended contracting with PKF O’Connor Davies, LLP for personal services, encompassed in the terms as specified in the Request for Proposal; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Legislature designates PKF O’Connor Davies, LLP for outside services encompassing the terms as specified in the Request for Proposal for a price not to exceed \$85,000 for the year 2020, and with prices for the years 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024 in response to RFP 9-2020 and as specified in their letter dated September 18, 2020.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item #7 – Other Business

There was no other business submitted for the meeting.

Item #8 – Recognition of Legislators

Legislator Montgomery explained that there was an incident of racism approximately one (1) month ago in Carmel and there has now been another incident of racism in Philipstown. She stated that a group of foster children were being brought by bus to a trail head by the Felix Organization, which provides respite services and support and recreation services for foster organizations. She explained that neighbors were upset with the amount of traffic on the road near the trail head and it reached its peak on that day. She explained that one (1) of the neighbors got on the bus and started spewing off racial slurs. She stated that she would like to once again request to continue the discussion of forming a Human Rights Commission in Putnam County. She wished the best of luck to everyone in the upcoming elections.

Chairwoman Addonizio stated that Governor Cuomo's Executive Orders authorizes public bodies to hold meetings without permitting public in person access to the meetings. She explained that, based on information received from Kathleen Percacciolo from the Health Department on behalf of the Commissioner of Health, Dr. Michael Nesheiwat, if the Legislature were to meet in person the following requirements would be necessary: All persons in the room, attendees and Legislators, must maintain social distance of at least six (6) feet; wear a mask covering their nose and mouth; plexiglass partitions placed between Legislators during the meeting in addition to masks and social distancing. An ideal situation would also include plexiglass between the Legislators and the public. All persons entering the building to attend the meeting must have their temperature taken and complete a COVID-19 questionnaire. Each individual must leave their name and contact information for follow-up in the event of an exposure. In the event of an exposure to a positive COVID-19 case, all individuals in the room would be considered exposed and placed on a 14-day quarantine. Chairwoman Addonizio questioned if we wanted to subject the public, our County workers and Department Heads to this possibility. Per her inquiries with surrounding counties, she explained in detail that Orange, Dutchess and Westchester counties were conducting their meetings remotely in the same manner as Putnam County. She stated that we are not shutting anyone out of our public meetings. We are conducting our meetings in accordance with Governor Cuomo's orders, while allowing the public to forward all comments or questions to the Clerk of the Legislature. She reminded everyone to continue to maintain social distancing and wearing a mask when in public to help reduce the chance of spreading the infection.

There being no further business, at 8:30 P.M., Chairwoman Addonizio made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Legislator Albano. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted by Diane Schonfeld, Clerk.