

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

Tuesday May 4, 2021 7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 P.M. by Chairwoman Addonizio who led in the Pledge of Allegiance and Legislative Prayer. Upon roll call, Legislators Montgomery, Gouldman, Nacerino, Jonke, Castellano, Sayegh, Sullivan and Chairwoman Addonizio were present. Legislator Albano was absent. Also present was Legislative Counsel Firriolo.

PROCLAMATIONS

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

ALCOHOL AWARENESS MONTH – MAY 2021

WHEREAS, alcohol is the most commonly used addictive substance in the United States. One in every 12 adults (17.6 million people) suffer from alcohol abuse or dependence; and

WHEREAS, underage drinking presents an enormous public health issue and alcohol is the drug of choice among children and adolescents. Annually, approximately 5,000 youth under the age of 21 die from motor vehicle crashes, other unintentional injuries, homicides, and suicides that involve underage drinking; 100,000 persons die each year from alcohol-related causes: drinking and driving crashes, other accidents, falls, fires, alcohol-related homicides and suicides; and

WHEREAS, tragic health, social, and economic problems result from the use of alcohol by youth. Underage drinking is a causal factor in a host of serious problems, including traumatic injury, violent and property crime, high risk sex, fetal alcohol syndrome, alcohol poisoning, and need for treatment for alcohol abuse and dependence; and

WHEREAS, the 2018 Prevention Needs Assessment Survey reports that 42.9% of Putnam County youth grades 8-12 have used alcohol in their lifetime; and

WHEREAS, young people who begin drinking before the age of 15 are four times more likely to develop alcohol dependence and are two and half times more likely to become abusers of alcohol than those who begin drinking at age 21; and

WHEREAS, over 7 million children live in a household where at least one parent is dependent on or has abused alcohol; and

WHEREAS, alcohol-related problems cost America \$224 billion in lost productivity, absenteeism, healthcare costs, crime, and family-related problems; and

WHEREAS, the typical American will see 100,000 beer commercials before he or she turns 18; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Executive and the Putnam County Legislature do hereby proclaim May 2021 as Alcohol Awareness Month and along with the Putnam Communities That Care Coalition and all substance abuse prevention and treatment providers in Putnam County encourage all residents to increase their awareness of alcohol use disorders, the dangers of alcohol abuse, the success of prevention and treatment programs, especially for our youth, and to support and

encourage referrals for treatment of individuals when an alcohol use disorder is suspected or present.

APRAXIA AWARENESS DAY - MAY 14, 2021

WHEREAS, May 14th marks Childhood Apraxia of Speech Day during which awareness will be raised throughout Putnam County, New York about Childhood Apraxia of Speech (CAS), an extremely challenging speech disorder that affects 1-in-1,000 children; and

WHEREAS, CAS causes children to have significant difficulty learning to speak and is among the most severe speech deficits in children; and

WHEREAS, the act of learning to speak comes effortlessly to most children. Those with apraxia require early, appropriate, and intensive speech therapy often for many years to learn to speak; and

WHEREAS, without appropriate speech therapy intervention, children with Apraxia will have diminished communication skills, but are also paced at high risk for secondary impacts in reading, writing, spelling, and other school-related skills; and

WHEREAS, that such primary and secondary impacts diminish future independence and employment opportunities and challenge the ability to become productive, contributing citizens if not resolved or improved; and

WHEREAS, our highest respect goes to these children, as well as their families, for their effort, determination, and resilience in the face of such obstacles; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Executive and the Putnam County Legislature do hereby proclaim May 14, 2021 as Apraxia Awareness Day and encourage citizens of Putnam County to work within their communities to increase awareness and understanding of Childhood Apraxia of Speech.

NATIONAL CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS WEEK – MAY 3-7, 2021

WHEREAS, on May 5, 1984, President Ronald Reagan did proclaim that the first full week of May each year would be observed as National Correctional Officers Week, in recognition of the important role these officers play in our criminal justice system; and

WHEREAS, in the year 2021 Correctional Officers and other Correctional Employees continue to play that important role, but in an ever more stressful environment due to the current pandemic sweeping our nation and the world; and

WHEREAS, even as President Reagan observed in his 1984 Proclamation, the position of a Correctional Officer, once considered merely that of a “guard”, has become increasingly more complex and demanding, involving simultaneously custodial, supervisory and counseling roles, and that complexity continues to grow; and

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Legislature wishes to acknowledge the difficult job we ask these officers and employees to perform, locked inside a facility for a large part of their day, where they must securely, safely and humanely keep those committed to the jail, respecting the rights and dignity of all the inmates, including those who have been found guilty and those only awaiting adjudication; and

WHEREAS, the important and difficult role these Correctional Officers and correctional employees fulfill is not always recognized or appreciated by the general public; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Legislature and the County Executive do hereby declare the week of May 3-7, 2021 as Correctional Officers Week in Putnam County and we acknowledge the conscientious, difficult and dedicated service our Correctional Officers and Correctional Employees perform for the People of Putnam County, and does further extend to those good public servants our gratitude for jobs well done.

NATIONAL POLICE WEEK – MAY 9-15, 2021

WHEREAS, by Presidential Executive Order and Resolution of the Congress, May 15 of each year is recognized as Peace Officer's Memorial Day, honoring all law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, the week in which Peace Officer Memorial Day falls is celebrated as National Police Week, recognizing the important role that law enforcement officers play in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of all citizens; and

WHEREAS, law enforcement officers perform an essential public service under difficult circumstances, especially today, in view of the COVID pandemic and the Nation's unrest; and

WHEREAS, the vast majority of law enforcement officers are selfless public servants who accept as part of their profession being exposed to great danger in order to protect the life and property others; and

WHEREAS, these dedicated officers deserve to be honored for their willingness to perform that essential public service on behalf of all our citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Legislature wishes to acknowledge the difficult job we ask our Deputy Sheriffs and other police officers to perform, and to thank them for their willingness to do it; and

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Legislature is desirous of recognizing and honoring all those law enforcement officers who, over the years, have lost their lives in the line of duty; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Legislature and the County Executive acknowledge and honor the service of our Deputy Sheriffs, and all other police officers who have served, and who are serving in the County. We hereby declare May 15, 2021 to be Peace Officer Memorial Day in the County and does further declare the week of May 9 to 15, 2021 to be Police Week in Putnam County.

NATIONAL SAFE BOATING MONTH – MAY 2021

WHEREAS, recreational boating is a fun and enjoyable sport while being an excellent source of relaxation; however, boating can be a risky sport for the unprepared; and

WHEREAS, knowledge and skills are important in reducing human error and improving judgment when boating. If a person is aware of the risks, they are likely to take precautionary measures to protect themselves, their family, and their friends; and

WHEREAS, the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, Putnam County Sheriff's Department, Carmel Police Department, has served the County providing boating education courses, making marine dealer visitations, conducting boating safety checks, and tending multi-mission patrols. Using their own boats and equipment, the Coast Guard Auxiliary has been able to reduce boating accidents and fatalities; and

WHEREAS, these vital services offered by the Coast Guard Auxiliary, Putnam County Sheriff's Department, Carmel Police Department, work in conjunction with local law enforcement, specifically the Carmel Police Department and Putnam County Sheriff's Department, to maintain safety on the water. As a result of the careful attention placed on boating, the waters of Putnam County are made safer through spreading messages of boating safety, not only during National Safe Boating Month, but throughout the entire year; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Executive and the Putnam County Legislature do hereby support the goals of the North American Safe Boating Campaign and proclaim May 2021 as "National Safe Boating Month" in Putnam County and the start of the year-round effort to promote safe boating.

OLDER AMERICANS MONTH "COMMUNITIES OF STRENGTH" – MAY 2021

WHEREAS, Putnam County includes a growing number of older Americans who have built resilience and strength over their lives through successes and difficulties; an

WHEREAS, Putnam County benefits when people of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds are included and encouraged to share their successes and stories of resilience; and

WHEREAS, Putnam County recognizes our need to nurture ourselves, reinforce our strength, and continue to thrive in times of both joy and difficulty; and

WHEREAS, Putnam County can foster communities of strength by: creating opportunities to share stories and learn from each other; engaging older adults through education, recreation, and service; and encouraging people of all ages to celebrate connections and resilience; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Executive and the Putnam County Legislature do hereby proclaim May 2021 to be Older Americans Month with the theme of "Communities of Strength". This theme will encourage and celebrate the countless contributions that older adults provide to their communities. Their time, experience, and talents benefit families, peers, and neighbors every day. We urge every resident to take time during this month to recognize older adults and the people who serve them as essential and valuable members of our community.

SUPPORT OF THE 2021 SALE OF BUDDY POPPIES

WHEREAS, the annual sale of Buddy Poppies by the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States has been officially recognized and endorsed by government leaders since 1922; and

WHEREAS, V.F.W. Buddy Poppies are assembled by disabled veterans and the proceeds of this worthy fundraising campaign are used exclusively for the benefit of disabled and needy veterans, and the widows and orphans of deceased veterans; and

WHEREAS, the basic purpose of the annual sale of Buddy Poppies by Veterans of Foreign Wars is eloquently reflected in the desire to "Honor the Dead by Helping the Living"; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Executive and the Putnam County Legislature do hereby urge the citizens of this community to recognize the merits of this cause by contributing generously to its support through the purchase of Buddy Poppies on the day set aside for the distribution of these symbols of appreciation for the sacrifices of our honored dead; and be it further

RESOLVED, that we urge all patriotic citizens to wear a Buddy Poppy as mute evidence of our gratitude to the men and women of this country who have risked their lives in defense of the freedom which we continue to enjoy as American citizens.

**PUTNAM COUNTY YOUTH BUREAU HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR RECOGNITION DAY
MAY 4, 2021**

WHEREAS, Putnam County Youth Bureau Senior Recognition is an opportunity to celebrate the contributions young people make to our community every day of the year through volunteer service and service-learning; and

WHEREAS, Putnam County recognizes our youth as important community members, and values their unique skills, perspectives, and ideas, as they lead awareness, service, and advocacy activities; and

WHEREAS, Youth Bureau volunteers donate their time to programs such as Youth Court, Youth Forum, Youth Board, Teen-N-Kids Mentoring and a wide variety of service activities throughout Putnam County; and

WHEREAS, realizing the need for community involvement, the citizens of Putnam County are proud to unite in assisting our youth to achieve their goals and help them to develop good citizenship; and

WHEREAS, the accomplishments and achievements of these young citizens deserve the recognition and commendation of their community leaders; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Executive and the Putnam County Legislature do hereby proclaim May 5, 2020 as Putnam County Youth Bureau High School Senior Recognition Day and thank these high school seniors for their long-standing dedication and commitment to the Putnam County community.

**Item #4 – Correspondence
a) County Auditor**

There was no activity during this reporting period.

Item #5 – Pre-filed resolutions:

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE
(Chairman Jonke, Legislators Nacerino & Sullivan)**

Item #5a – Approval/ Budgetary Amendment (21A025)/ Health Department/ Reorganization of Health Education was next. Chairwoman Addonizio recognized Legislator Jonke, Chairman of the Personnel Committee. On behalf of the members of the Committee, Legislators Nacerino and Sullivan, Legislator Jonke moved the following:

Legislator Montgomery stated that she is in favor of this. She stated that this is the third reorganization in the Health Department in a very short period of time. She believed that we were finally at a point where we are giving the Health Department the resources that they need. She explained that she raised concerns in 2019 when the epidemiologist position was cut, and she has raised those concerns throughout the pandemic. She thanked all the employees of the Health Department who have worked so hard throughout this pandemic. She believed this was a good step forward and she hoped to

continue the evaluation of this department to see what they need as we go into budget season.

Legislator Sayegh thanked Commissioner of Health, Dr. Nesheiwat for always listening to his staff and for making the necessary decisions in order to run a successful department. She explained how our Health Department has always gone above and beyond. She thanked them for all that they do.

Legislator Nacerino also thanked Dr. Nesheiwat and his entire staff. She stated that there have been so many individuals who have stepped up and went above and beyond. She stated this reorganization will ensure that they are fairly compensated and classified accordingly.

RESOLUTION #68

**APPROVAL/ BUDGETARY AMENDMENT (21A025)/ HEALTH DEPARTMENT/
REORGANIZATION OF HEALTH EDUCATION**

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Health has requested a budgetary amendment (21A025) for the proposed Reorganization of the Health Education Department; and WHEREAS, the Personnel 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:

Increase Estimated Appropriations:

11401000 51000 (26109)	Pers. Serv. – Sr PH Program Assist (14,4)	21,851
21401000 51000 (26109)	Pers. Serv. – Sr PH Program Assist (14,4)	21,851
11401000 58002	FICA	136
21401000 58002	FICA	136
21401000 51000 (26106)	Pers. Serv. – Epidemiologist (21,1)	25,240
21401000 58001	Retirement	1,707
21401000 58002	FICA	1,931
21401000 58006	Dental	301
21401000 58008	Health Insurance	3,434
21401000 58009	Vision	41
21401000 51000 (26110)	Office Assist. II Spanish Speaking (7,4)	35,808
21401000 58001	Retirement	5,803
21401000 58002	FICA	2,684
21401000 58006	Dental	1,070
21401000 58008	Health Insurance	16,730
21401000 58009	Vision	153
		<u>138,876</u>

Decrease Estimated Appropriations:

11401000 51000 (26104)	Pers. Serv. – PH Program Assistant	20,080
21401000 51000 (26104)	Pers. Serv. – PH Program Assistant	20,080
21401000 51094	Temporary	24,420
21401000 58002	FICA	1,868
10401000 51000 (10109)	Pers. Serv. – Receptionist (6,4 to 6,1)	7,753
10401000 58001	Retirement	2,025
10401000 58002	FICA	938

11401000 51000 (26107)	Pers. Serv. – Public Health Nurse – Eliminated	63,966
11401000 58001	Retirement	4,384
11401000 58002	FICA	4,893
11401000 58006	Dental	1,502
11401000 58008	Health Insurance	17,166
11401000 58009	Vision	<u>201</u>
		169,276

Increase Estimated Revenues:

11401000 434011	State Aid – Nursing	639
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Decrease Estimated Revenues:

10401000 434011	State Aid – Administration	2,791
21401000 434011	State Aid – Health Education	<u>9,203</u>
		11,994

Increase General Contingencies:

10199000 54980	General Contingencies	19,045
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2021 Fiscal Impact – (\$19,045)

2022 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #5b – Approval/ Budgetary Amendment (21A026)/ Health Department/ Reorganization of Environmental Health was next. On behalf of the members of the Personnel Committee, Legislators Nacerino and Sullivan, Legislator Jonke moved the following:

Legislator Nacerino stated that this is part of the reorganizational plan for the Environmental Health Department. It is the reclassification of a Senior Public Health Sanitarian position which will now be an Associate Public Health Sanitarian. She believed the person will be a true asset for the Department in this position.

Legislator Sayegh stated that although this resolution has a fiscal impact of \$3,005.00, the previous reorganization resolution for the Health Department saved the taxpayers \$19,045.00. She explained that these two (2) reorganizations save the taxpayers approximately \$16,000 per year.

RESOLUTION #69

APPROVAL/ BUDGETARY AMENDMENT (21A026)/ HEALTH DEPARTMENT/ REORGANIZATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Health has requested a budgetary amendment (21A026) for the proposed Reorganization of the Environmental Health Department; and

WHEREAS, the existing Senior Public Health Sanitarian position will be reclassified to Associate Public Health Sanitarian position; and

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

RESOLVED, that the following budgetary amendment be made:

Increase Estimated Appropriations:

12401000 51000 (12118)	Pers. Serv. – Assoc. PH Sanitarian (24,2)	68,405
12401000 58002	FICA	<u>321</u>
		68,726

Decrease Estimated Appropriations:

12401000 51000 (12116)	Pers. Serv. – Sr. PH Sanitarian	64,211
10199000 54980	General Contingencies	<u>3,005</u>
		67,216

Increase Estimated Revenues:

12401000 434011	Stated Aid – Environmental Health	1,510
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2021 Fiscal Impact - \$3,005

2022 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #5c – Approval/ Fund Transfer (21T062)/ Sheriff’s Department / Jail Overtime was next. On behalf of the members of the Personnel Committee, Legislators Nacerino and Sullivan, Legislator Jonke moved the following:

Legislator Nacerino stated that this is dictated by need. She stated that she supports this transfer.

RESOLUTION #70

APPROVAL/ FUND TRANSFER (21T062)/ SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT / JAIL OVERTIME

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Sheriff has requested a fund transfer (21T062) to cover Jail Overtime expenses from February due to six (6) Correction Officer vacancies and one (1) Officer out on 207C; and

WHEREAS, the Personnel Committee, 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:

10315000 51000 10128	Jail Personnel	5,551
10315000 51000 10143	Jail Personnel	4,227
10315000 51000 10144	Jail Personnel	4,227
10315000 51000 10145	Jail Personnel	<u>5,700</u>
		19,705

Increase:
10315000 51093

Jail Overtime

19,705

2021 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

2022 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

**RULES, ENACTMENTS & INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE
(Chairman Sullivan, Legislators Albano & Castellano)**

Item #5d – Approval/ Budgetary Amendment (21A023)/ Veterans Affairs/ Peer to Peer Program was next. Chairwoman Addonizio recognized Legislator Sullivan, Chairman of the Rules, Enactments & Intergovernmental Relations Committee. On behalf of the members of the Committee, Legislators Albano and Castellano, Legislator Sullivan moved the following:

Legislator Castellano stated that this is a great program for our veterans. He stated that he was happy to see these funds come from the State.

Chairwoman Addonizio explained how important this program was for our veterans. She stated that the individual and small group peer to peer support has been helping our veterans who have been suffering from PTSD and other combat related stress disorders. She stated that she was happy to see this move forward.

RESOLUTION #71

APPROVAL/ BUDGETARY AMENDMENT (21A023)/ VETERANS AFFAIRS/ PEER TO PEER PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Putnam County has been notified by the NYS Office of Mental Health of \$185,000 in funding (per 2020-21 NYS Legislative Add (001)) for the Putnam County Office of Veterans Affairs' Peer to Peer Support Pilot Program; and

WHEREAS, these funds are to assist Veterans suffering from post-traumatic stress syndrome or other related combat stress disorders through individual and small group peer-to-peer counseling methods; and

WHEREAS, the funds are available until December 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Services, Mental Health has requested a budgetary amendment (21A023) to account for these funds; and

WHEREAS, the Rules, Enactments & Intergovernmental Relations 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:

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

2021 Fiscal Impact – 0 –
2022 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #5e – Approval/ Appointment/ Putnam County Plumbing & Mechanical Trades Board was next. On behalf of the members of the Rules, Enactments & Intergovernmental Relations Committee, Legislators Albano and Castellano, Legislator Sullivan moved the following:

Chairwoman Addonizio thanked Mr. Fossati for volunteering for this Board.

RESOLUTION #72

APPROVAL/ APPOINTMENT/ PUTNAM COUNTY PLUMBING & MECHANICAL TRADES BOARD

RESOLVED, that the following be appointed to the Putnam County Plumbing & Mechanical Trades Board pursuant to Putnam County Code Section 190-6(D):

Richard Fossati, Town of Carmel, as (D4) Licensed Mechanical Tradesperson, for a three (3) year term, said term to expire December 31, 2023.

And be it further

RESOLVED, that this appointment comply with any requirements to file an Oath of Office pursuant to the New York State Public Officers Law.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #5f – Approval/ Putnam Arts Council Grants for 2021 was next. On behalf of the members of the Rules, Enactments & Intergovernmental Relations Committee, Legislators Albano and Castellano, Legislator Sullivan moved the following:

Legislator Montgomery stated that President & Executive Director, Joyce Picone provided a wonderful presentation to the Legislature during the Rules Committee meeting. She stated that it was nice to see the investment into the Arts, even though it is a small amount being spread across 12 or 13 organizations. She stated that arts and cultural organizations inject over \$6 million into the economy annually in Putnam County. She stated that it is a huge industry in our region. She stated that as we enter into budget season, she would like the County to consider investing more in arts and culture.

Legislator Nacerino echoed Legislator Montgomery's comments. She wished the amount could be more as well because investment in the arts and culture is certainly an investment in the people of Putnam County. She stated that she was grateful to distribute this to the 13 or so different agencies to help support them, even if it is in a

small way. She explained that this will give people many wonderful events to enjoy, especially throughout the summer.

RESOLUTION #73

APPROVAL/ PUTNAM ARTS COUNCIL GRANTS FOR 2021

WHEREAS, on April 11, 2021, the Putnam Arts Council reported to the Putnam County Legislature their recommendations for distribution of the 2021 Arts Link Community Regrant Program (formerly Putnam Arts Fund) totaling \$13,000; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Legislature accepts and approves the recommendation of the Putnam Arts Council dated April 11, 2021 distribution of the 2021 Arts Link Community Regrant Program for the first round of applications totaling \$13,000 pursuant to the attached list.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

PHYSICAL SERVICES COMMITTEE (Chairman Albano, Legislators Castellano & Gouldman)

Item #5g – Approval/ Amend Resolution #55 of 2020 to Expand Use of Capital Facility Reserve 20CP01 for Security Cameras at County Office Building/ Additional Funding (CP-6 of 2017 & 20CP01 of 2020) (Access Control) was next. Chairwoman Addonizio recognized Legislator Castellano, member of the Physical Services Committee. On behalf of the members of the Committee, Legislators Albano and Gouldman, Legislator Castellano moved the following:

Legislator Montgomery stated that this is a lot of money and she wanted to understand the need for it in County buildings when there is such a need throughout the County where we have more dense populations. She stated that we had a hard time getting License Plate Readers (LPRs) for the Sheriff's Department. She believed that security cameras at the County Office Buildings seemed a little obsessive.

Legislator Castellano stated that the additional funding was for \$35,000. The previous resolutions approved the funding, however, additional expenses have incurred since 2017 and 2020. He stated that the funds being approved are \$35,000 to cover the cost.

Legislator Nacerino believed that it was important, especially in this day and age, to have Access Control systems throughout our County facilities.

Legislator Jonke stated that he valued the safety of our employees and those individuals who visit our facilities. He stated that he would support this request.

Legislator Sullivan believed this was very important. He explained that the County Office Building has many departments that residents go to such as; the Finance Department where people pay their taxes and the County Clerk's office where people obtain information pertaining to public records and deeds. He stated that there are many

people coming in and out of the building and he believed that it was important to tighten security by installing cameras.

RESOLUTION #74

**APPROVAL/ HIGHWAYS & FACILITIES/ USE OF CAPITAL FACILITY RESERVE/
ADDITIONAL FUNDING (CP-6 OF 2017 & 20CP01 OF 2020) (Access Control)**

WHEREAS, by Resolution #144 of 2017 & Resolution #55 of 2020, the Putnam County Legislature approved the use of Capital Project Funds for an "Access Control" Project to provide uniform access control systems throughout County Facilities, for a combined total expenditure not to exceed \$157,537; and

WHEREAS, the County is seeking to Revise Resolution #55 of 2020, 20CP01 Access Control project, to include upgrading the security cameras at the County Office Building; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Highways & Facilities has requested an additional amount of \$35,000 to cover this work, for which project scope is attached; and

WHEREAS, the Physical Services Committee has reviewed and approved this request; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Legislature approves and authorizes the expenditure of an additional \$35,000 for 20CP01 – Access Control from the Capital Facility Reserve fund budget line 55197000 53000 51509 as follows:

20CP01 – Access Control

\$ 82,537 – Approved by Resolution #144 of 2017 (CP-6)

\$ 75,000 – Approved by Resolution #55 of 2020

\$ 35,000 – Additional funds requested for County Office Building

\$192,537 – Total cost not to be exceeded

**BY ROLL CALL VOTE: SEVEN AYES. ONE NAY – LEGISLATOR MONTGOMERY.
LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.**

Item #5h – Approval/ Conveyance of Tax Map No.: 83.72-1-68/ Town of Putnam Valley was next. On behalf of the members of the Physical Services Committee, Legislators Albano and Gouldman, Legislator Castellano moved the following:

Legislator Castellano explained that this will merge the parcel with the adjacent property owners' parcel. He stated that it would put the parcel back on the tax rolls which is a benefit for the taxpayers of Putnam County.

Legislator Nacerino concurred. She believed it is always good when there is a landlocked parcel that is not viable for any other use and it is contiguous with a property owner. She explained that the properties can be merged which would put the parcel back on the tax rolls. She believed this was a win win for everyone.

RESOLUTION #75

APPROVAL/ CONVEYANCE OF TAX MAP NO.: 83.72-1-68/TOWN OF PUTNAM VALLEY

WHEREAS, an unimproved parcel of real property identified as Town of Putnam Valley Tax Map No.: 83.72-1-68 was acquired by the County by Tax Deed, which was recorded in the Office of the Putnam County Clerk Office on October 1, 2019, in Liber 2130 at Page 311; and

WHEREAS, said property cannot be improved under existing zoning regulations; and

WHEREAS, Austin Koskinen Falls owns the adjacent parcel of property identified as Town of Putnam Valley Tax Map No.: 83.72-1-69; and

WHEREAS, Austin Koskinen Falls has offered to purchase Town of Putnam Valley Tax Map No.: 83.72-1-68 for the sum of \$1,000.00; and

WHEREAS, Austin Koskinen Falls has also agreed to merge Town of Putnam Valley Tax Map No.: 83.72-1-68 with his property; and

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Administration has reviewed said offer and recommends the acceptance of same; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 31-8(B) of the Putnam County Code, the Putnam County Legislature approves the transfer of Town of Putnam Valley Tax Map No.: 83.72-1-68 to Austin Koskinen Falls for the sum of \$1,000.00, together with payment of all appropriate costs/fees, including but not limited to, Transfer Tax, Recording Fees, and County, Town, and School Taxes; and be it further

RESOLVED, that upon receipt of said monies, Town of Putnam Valley Tax Map No.: 83.72-1-68 shall be conveyed in an “as is” condition by quitclaim deed, which shall provide that it be automatically merged with Town of Putnam Valley Tax Map No.: 83.72-1-69; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Attorney is authorized to prepare said quitclaim deed, and the Putnam County Executive shall be authorized to execute said quitclaim deed on behalf of the County.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #5i – Approval/ Sale of County Property 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 Albano and Gouldman, Legislator Castellano moved the following:

Legislator Jonke stated that while he does support the sale of the property, he does not support the process. He stated that he was opposed to this in Committee when the property was listed without an appraisal. He stated that it was given to a real estate broker and the word on the street was that the neighbor wanted to buy the property. He stated that ultimately, that is the person who is in contract to purchase it. He again stated that he did not agree with the process and would be voting against it.

Legislator Sullivan stated that he was in favor of the sale because it is a property that the County has owned for years. It is off the tax rolls and we will sell it to a private individual which would put it back on the tax rolls. He stated that he was in favor of the County disposing of any assets that are no longer needed and can be put on the tax rolls to benefit the taxpayers. He believed this would improve the overall environment in the town. It is much better to have an occupied building that is going to be used for a business or some other purpose which will be improved by the owner. He did not believe the County needed to be in the real estate business of holding properties that are

vacant. He believed it was a great transaction when the County can sell them and get some money to use for other purposes.

Legislator Nacerino stated that she supports this. She explained that the building has been vacant for quite a few years and it was good to put back on the tax rolls. She did not believe we deviated from the process that we employ.

RESOLUTION #76

APPROVAL/ SALE OF COUNTY PROPERTY PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 31 OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY CODE / 20 FAIR STREET, TOWN OF CARMEL (White House)

WHEREAS, the County is the fee owner of a certain improved parcel of real property identified as 20 Fair Street, Carmel, New York (Carmel Tax Map Number 44.18-1-17), and which is further identified as Parcel B on filed map # 3216 (hereinafter the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, the Property is no longer needed for use by the County; and

WHEREAS, the County has continued to incur operation and maintenance costs associated with the Property; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution # 132 of 2020, the Putnam County Legislature authorized the County Executive to offer 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 to Resolution # 167 of 2020, the Putnam County Legislature approved the Property to be initially offered for sale at \$250,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Property has been listed on the applicable Multiple Listing Service; and

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Administration has entered into negotiations with a prospective purchaser for the Property; and

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Administration recommends the acceptance of the negotiated amount of \$210,000.00, and as further specified in the Contract of Sale, which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as Schedule "A"; and

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Legislature has reviewed said negotiated amount, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that pursuant to the authority vested in the Putnam County Legislature in Section 31-4 of the Putnam County Code, the Putnam County Legislature approves the sale of the Property for such amount and upon such other terms and conditions as are contained in the Contract of Sale, which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as Schedule "A"; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is authorized to execute the Contract of Sale for the Property, which Contract of Sale shall be in the form attached hereto and made a part hereof as Schedule "A"; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Attorney is authorized to take all necessary steps to complete the transfer of said property in accordance with the terms and conditions of the aforementioned Contract of Sale.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: SEVEN AYES. ONE NAY – LEGISLATOR JONKE. LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #5j – Approval/ Lease Agreement/ Building #5 Tilly Foster Farm was next. On behalf of the members of the Physical Services Committee, Legislators Albano and Gouldman, Legislator Castellano moved the following:

Legislator Castellano stated that the person that will lease the building is a Putnam County employee who works at the farm and handles the day-to-day operations. He believed it would be a benefit to have someone at the farm 24 hours per day. He stated that he will be providing security checks and notifying the appropriate individuals if anything occurs.

Legislator Montgomery explained that she sent a memo to the County Executive and the County Attorney regarding questions she had on this item. She stated that she did not agree with the response received from the County Attorney and stated that she did give her a call back. She questioned rentals of two (2) other buildings on the property. She explained that this property will be leased to a County employee and she believed that it appeared that we are going against our agreement with the Watershed Council and the easement agreement. She believed any housing on the farm was to be set aside for agricultural purposes and farmers. She questioned the process in selecting the tenant and the market value. She questioned the job description. She stated that she had nothing against this individual and was sure he worked very hard, however, she stated that if we were providing affordable housing for County employees, she questioned why this would not be opened up to all County employees. She believed there were many questions that were unanswered such as; fair market value, how the extra duties effect this employees benefits retirement pay, this individual is a Highway employee - how many hours is the Highway Department investing into Tilly Foster Farm, where is the chargeback for those hours and primarily does it comply with the Watershed Easement.

Legislator Montgomery made a motion to table this item until further information is received. There was no second. Motion fails.

Legislator Sullivan believed that having an employee on the farm was a valuable asset, to not only the County, but the residents of Putnam County who enjoy the farm. He stated that this employee does a tremendous amount of work on the farm working seven (7) hours per day, all day. He explained that this was a very difficult and demanding job. He stated that we were lucky to be able to get someone to do this work at a reasonable rate. He believed that having him there 24 hours per day was also very beneficial to the animals on the farm if anything were to happen. He stated that vacant buildings were not good for anybody. He believed that having the buildings occupied were a much better risk for the County and the overall pleasure of the community.

Legislator Nacerino believed that County Attorney Bumgarner stated in her memorandum today that Legislator Montgomery's outstanding questions, not that they were not answered, but were covered through the Physical Services Committee meeting, as well as in the lease agreement itself. She believed this was a nonissue matter because the Law Department certainly has authorized to effectuate this lease. She stated that it provides revenue to the County which presently has an unoccupied space. She stated that it will ensure the farm is being monitored by a County employee on the weekend and in the evenings. She stated that this lease is at no additional cost to the County and the employee is providing this service as part of the rental package. She stated that she would certainly support this lease.

Legislator Sayegh agreed that this was a good lease. She stated that there is a solid employee working on the farm that works with the Highway Department. She stated that the person will be there nights and weekends. She believed that it was a fair lease agreement. She stated that she was in favor of it.

Chairwoman Addonizio believed that the lease was an advantage to both the County and the employee. She stated that the employee is receiving a fairly priced lease and offering us the added security and oversight at the farm. She stated that County owned buildings are required by State law to be inspected, not by the town building department, but by our code enforcement official. She believed that Legislator Montgomery had a question regarding the certificate of occupancy (CO). She stated that COs are required for new buildings or if there were any construction changes that took place. She stated that Resolution #145 of 2019 was the approval of a lease agreement for Building #5, which is the same building we are discussing, and there was a unanimous vote, including Legislator Montgomery. She stated that the lease at that time was a collaboration with Columbia University and Cornell Cooperative Extension to develop a greenhouse project. She stated that there were no questions raised at that time regarding a CO. She stated that there have been no additions to the building since that lease that would require a CO.

Legislator Montgomery stated that Legislator Sullivan mentioned the tenant works seven (7) hours per day. She stated that it was not clear if he was working on the farm seven (7) hours per day. She stated that he also mentioned that the tenant was doing this for a reasonable rate. She stated that there is no rate before us or work agreement in the lease. She stated that Cornell Cooperative's use was cultural which is what our mandate is for this property. She explained that there was a lease approved last year when it was stated that they would be watching over the farm. She questioned how many people we had watching over the farm, what is their compensation and how does it effect their job description or benefit package. She stated that we do not even know what the market value is to rent it out. She stated that it was a shame that the town code enforcement officer does not have any oversight of this, and we can just rent without any oversight. She stated that she understands that the County does not need those approvals. She believed that by law we should make sure we are meeting our mandates from the Watershed Council as far as the conservation agreement that is on this property.

Legislator Sullivan clarified that he meant to say the person works seven days per week and not seven (7) hours per day. He believed the person worked more than seven (7) hours per day.

Chairwoman Addonizio called for a roll call vote.

RESOLUTION #77

APPROVAL/LEASE AGREEMENT/BUILDING # 5 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 # 5 is presently not needed for the County's use; and

WHEREAS, Nicholas J. Evangelisto is desirous of leasing Building # 5 at the Tilly Foster Farm; and

WHEREAS, the County is desirous of leasing Building # 5 at the Tilly Foster Farm to Nicholas J. Evangelisto; 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 Nicholas J. Evangelisto for the lease of Building # 5 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 # 5 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 Nicholas J. Evangelisto for Building # 5 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 Nicholas J. Evangelisto in the manner approved herein.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: SEVEN AYES. ONE NAY – LEGISLATOR MONTGOMERY. LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #5k – Approval/ Bond Resolution/ Acquisition of Various Pre-K/ EI Vehicles - \$420,000 was next. On behalf of the members of the Physical Services Committee, Legislators Albano and Gouldman, Legislator Castellano moved the following:

RESOLUTION #78

EXTRACT OF MINUTES

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

May 4, 2021

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A regular meeting of the County Legislature of the County of Putnam, New York, was held by Audio Conference pursuant to Executive Order 202.1 and subsequent Executive Orders, on May 4, 2021, at 7 o'clock P.M. (Prevailing Time).

The following Legislators were present by

Audio Conference: Castellano, Gouldman, Jonke, Montgomery, Nacerino,

Sayegh, Sullivan and Chairwoman Addonizio.

There were absent: Legislator Albano.

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

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Legislator Castellano offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

BOND RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF PUTNAM, NEW YORK, ADOPTED MAY 4, 2021, AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF VARIOUS PRE-K/EI VEHICLES AND RELATED EQUIPMENT; STATING THE ESTIMATED TOTAL COST THEREOF IS \$420,000; APPROPRIATING SAID AMOUNT THEREFOR; AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$420,000 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 acquire Pre-K/EI vehicles and related equipment. The estimated total cost of said class of objects or purposes, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and to the financing thereof, is \$420,000 and said amount is hereby appropriated therefor. The plan of financing includes the issuance of \$420,000 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 \$420,000 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 the class of objects or purposes for which said bonds are authorized to be issued pursuant to this resolution, within the limitations of Section 11.00 a. 29 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: EIGHT – Legislators Castellano, Gouldman, Jonke, Montgomery, Nacerino, Sayegh, Sullivan and Chairwoman Addonizio.

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: ONE – Legislator Albano.

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.____-2021 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 May 4, 2021, 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 May 4, 2021 and approved by the County Executive on May __, 2021.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of said County of Putnam this ____ day of May, 2021.

(SEAL)

Diane Schonfeld
Clerk to the County Legislature

NOTICE

The resolution, a summary of which is published herewith, has been adopted on May 4, 2021, 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 MAY 4, 2021, AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF VARIOUS PRE-K/EI VEHICLES AND RELATED EQUIPMENT; STATING THE ESTIMATED TOTAL COST THEREOF IS \$420,000; APPROPRIATING SAID AMOUNT THEREFOR; AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$420,000 SERIAL BONDS OF SAID COUNTY TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION.

Object or purpose: the acquisition of various Pre-K/EI vehicles and related equipment.

Period of probable usefulness: five (5) years

Amount of obligations to be issued: \$420,000

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: May 4, 2021
Carmel, New York

Item #5L – Approval/ Bond Resolution/ Acquisition of Various Vehicles And Heavy Equipment For The Highway Department/ \$500,000 was next. On behalf of the members of the Physical Services Committee, Legislators Albano and Gouldman, Legislator Castellano moved the following:

Legislator Castellano stated that the list of equipment being purchased were: one (1) Gradall truck, three (3) four-wheel drive pickup trucks, one (1) crew cab pickup, one (1) pickup truck with plow and one (1) brine tank. He stated that this will be a savings in the long run for Putnam County taxpayers.

Legislator Montgomery stated that she supports infrastructure projects and improvement. She stated that she did not understand why we needed to bond for them all the time. She believed that if we were better fiscal managers, we would not have to bond for this and would have the money to purchase this equipment. She stated that she would not support this.

Legislator Sayegh stated that she would support this. She believed that we were being fiscally prudent by balancing the amount over several years as opposed to over one (1) year, especially when we will utilize these vehicles for a number of years. She believed it

was better to bond and to use the County's good Double A bond rating, bonding at a lower rate. She believed this was the best way to budget for these large purchase items.

Legislator Nacerino stated that this was not a matter of not having the funds. She believed that it was a matter of being fiscally responsible by bonding for this equipment. She stated that we will be bonding over its useful life of 15 years. She stated that interest rates are low. She believed this was the prudent way to move forward.

RESOLUTION #79

EXTRACT OF MINUTES

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

May 4, 2021

* * *

A regular meeting of the County Legislature of the County of Putnam, New York, was held by Audio Conference pursuant to Executive Order 202.1 and subsequent Executive Orders, on May 4, 2021, at 7 o'clock P.M. (Prevailing Time).

The following Legislators were present by

Audio Conference: Castellano, Gouldman, Jonke, Montgomery, Nacerino, Sayegh, Sullivan and Chairwoman Addonizio.

There were absent: Legislator Albano.

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

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Legislator Castellano offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

BOND RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF PUTNAM, NEW YORK, ADOPTED MAY 4, 2021, AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF VARIOUS VEHICLES AND HEAVY EQUIPMENT FOR THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT; STATING THE ESTIMATED TOTAL COST THEREOF IS \$668,500; APPROPRIATING SAID AMOUNT THEREFOR, INCLUDING THE EXPENDITURE OF \$168,500 IN FUNDS EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED FROM THE STATE OF NEW YORK; AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$500,000 SERIAL BONDS OF SAID COUNTY TO FINANCE THE BALANCE OF 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 acquire various vehicles and heavy equipment for the highway department. The estimated total cost of such class of objects or purposes, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and to the financing thereof, is \$668,500 and said amount is hereby appropriated therefor. The plan of financing includes the expenditure of \$168,500 in funds expected to be received from the State of New York and the issuance of \$500,000 serial bonds of the County to finance the balance of 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 \$500,000 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 appropriation.

Section 3. The period of probable usefulness of the class of objects or purposes for which said bonds are authorized to be issued pursuant to this resolution, within the limitations of Section 11.00 a. 28 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: SEVEN – Legislators Castellano, Gouldman, Jonke, Nacerino, Sayegh, Sullivan and Chairwoman Addonizio.

NOES: ONE – Legislator Montgomery.

ABSENT: ONE – Legislator Albano.

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. ____-2021 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 May 4, 2021, 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 May 4, 2021 and approved by the County Executive on May __, 2021.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of said County of Putnam this ____ day of May, 2021.

(SEAL)

Diane Schonfeld
Clerk to the County Legislature

NOTICE

The resolution, a summary of which is published herewith, has been adopted on May 4, 2021, 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.

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Clerk to the County Legislature

BOND RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF PUTNAM, NEW YORK, ADOPTED MAY 4, 2021, AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF VARIOUS VEHICLES AND HEAVY EQUIPMENT FOR THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT; STATING THE ESTIMATED TOTAL COST THEREOF IS \$668,500; APPROPRIATING SAID AMOUNT THEREFOR, INCLUDING THE EXPENDITURE OF \$168,500 IN FUNDS EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED FROM THE STATE OF NEW YORK; AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$500,000 SERIAL BONDS OF SAID COUNTY TO FINANCE THE BALANCE OF SAID APPROPRIATION.

Object or purpose: the acquisition of various vehicles and heavy equipment for the highway department, at the aggregate estimated cost of \$668,500.

Period of probable
usefulness: fifteen (15) years

Amount of obligations
to be issued: \$500,000

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Dated: May 4, 2021
 Carmel, New York

Item #5m – Approval/ SEQRA Determination/ Resurfacing Various County Highways was next. On behalf of the members of the Physical Services Committee, Legislators Albano and Gouldman, Legislator Castellano moved the following:

RESOLUTION #80

APPROVAL/ SEQRA DETERMINATION/ RESURFACING VARIOUS COUNTY HIGHWAYS

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Legislature is responsible for conducting all environmental reviews for the County of Putnam in accordance with the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Legislature is considering a \$1,000,000 Bond issue for the resurfacing of various County highways and parking lots in Putnam County, New York; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Highways and Facilities is proposing to resurface various paved County highways and parking lots at an estimated total cost, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto, as well as the financing thereof, of \$1,000,000; and

WHEREAS, this action has been determined to be a Type II Action in accordance with 6 NYCRR Part 617, §617.5(c)(4) “repaving of existing highways not involving the addition of new travel lanes” and §617.5(c)(2) “replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind, on the same site;” now therefore be it

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

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #5n – Approval/ Bond Resolution/ Rehabilitation and/or Resurfacing of Various County Highways and/or Parking Areas/ \$1,000,000 was next. On behalf of the members of the Physical Services Committee, Legislators Albano and Gouldman, Legislator Castellano moved the following:

Legislator Castellano stated that the probable usefulness is 10 years. He stated that the County has a great credit rating which is why we bond some of these projects and take advantage of the historically low interest rates. He stated that this would be used to repave some highways and parking areas.

Legislator Montgomery stated that unlike the previous bond resolution, bonding \$500,000 over 15 years where she believed the vehicles would be long gone before paying the bond off, she stated that she supports this infrastructure project.

Legislator Sullivan stated that it was important for our roads to be in good condition. He believed it was important to invest in our infrastructure to make our roads safe. He stated that he was in favor of investing money into our roadways because it was certainly needed.

RESOLUTION #81

EXTRACT OF MINUTES

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

May 4, 2021

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Robert Firriolo, Legislative Counsel

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Legislator Castellano offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

BOND RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF PUTNAM, NEW YORK, ADOPTED MAY 4, 2021, AUTHORIZING THE REHABILITATION AND/OR RESURFACING OF VARIOUS COUNTY HIGHWAYS AND/OR PARKING AREAS; STATING THE ESTIMATED TOTAL COST THEREOF IS \$1,000,000; APPROPRIATING SAID AMOUNT THEREFOR, AND

AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,000,000 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 rehabilitate and/or resurface various County highways and/or parking areas. The estimated total cost thereof, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and to the financing thereof, is \$1,000,000 and said amount is hereby appropriated therefor. The plan of financing, includes the issuance of \$1,000,000 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 \$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 said 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. 90 of the Law, is ten (10) 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: EIGHT – Legislators Castellano, Gouldman, Jonke, Montgomery, Nacerino, Sayegh, Sullivan and Chairwoman Addonizio.

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: ONE – Legislator Albano.

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. ____-2021 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 May 4, 2021, 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 May 4, 2021 and approved by the County Executive on May ____, 2021.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of said County of Putnam this ____ day of May, 2021.

(SEAL)

Diane Schonfeld
Clerk to the County Legislature

NOTICE

The resolution, a summary of which is published herewith, has been adopted on May 4, 2021, 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 MAY 4, 2021, AUTHORIZING THE REHABILITATION AND/OR RESURFACING OF VARIOUS COUNTY HIGHWAYS AND/OR PARKING AREAS; STATING THE ESTIMATED TOTAL COST THEREOF IS \$1,000,000; APPROPRIATING SAID AMOUNT THEREFOR, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,000,000 SERIAL BONDS OF SAID COUNTY TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION.

Object or purpose: to rehabilitate and/or resurface various County highways and/or parking areas

Period of probable usefulness: ten (10) 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: May 4, 2021
Carmel, New York

Item #5o – Approval/ Budgetary Amendment (21A034)/ Highways & Facilities/ Bonding for Equipment, Infrastructure and Bridges & Culverts was next. On behalf of the members of the Physical Services Committee, Legislators Albano and Gouldman, Legislator Castellano moved the following:

RESOLUTION #82

APPROVAL/ BUDGETARY AMENDMENT (21A034)/ HIGHWAYS & FACILITIES/ BONDING FOR EQUIPMENT, INFRASTRUCTURE AND BRIDGES & CULVERTS

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Highways & Facilities has requested a budgetary amendment (21A034) to amend the Capital Project Budget to provide for 2021 Highway Equipment purchases, Infrastructure, and Bridge & Culvert repairs; 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:

Increase Estimated Appropriations:

55197000 52660 52105	Highway & Street Equipment	500,000
55197000 53000 52106	Highway Infrastructure	1,000,000
55197000 53000 52107	Bridges & Culverts	<u>500,000</u>
		2,000,000

Increase Estimated Revenues:

05000 45710L 52105	2021 Serial Bonds – Equipment	500,000
05000 45710L 52106	2021 Serial Bonds – Infrastructure	1,000,000
05000 45710L 52107	2021 Serial Bonds – Bridges & Culverts	<u>500,000</u>
		2,000,000

2021 Fiscal Impact – 0 –
2022 Fiscal Impact – Undetermined Debt Service

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #5p – Approval/ SEQRA/ Negative Declaration/ Highway Infrastructure Improvements Project at U.S. Route 6 & Farrington Road, Town of Southeast, New York (Project ID 24088) was next. On behalf of the members of the Physical Services Committee, Legislators Albano and Gouldman, Legislator Castellano moved the following:

Legislator Jonke stated that this project will make travel along Route 6 in the Town of Southeast much safer and will help with some of the projects going on along Route 6.

Legislator Sullivan stated that this is a very important project along the Route 6 corridor in the Town of Southeast. He stated that it was helping develop commercial businesses there that will, in the long run, generate substantial sales tax revenue and employment opportunities. He explained that it was a great project which will improve the corridor along Route 6.

RESOLUTION #83

APPROVAL/ SEQRA / NEGATIVE DECLARATION/ HIGHWAY INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT AT U.S. ROUTE 6 & FARRINGTON ROAD, TOWN OF SOUTHEAST, NEW YORK (PROJECT ID 24088)

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Legislature is considering the approval of a Putnam County project that involves highway infrastructure improvements at U.S. Route 6 and Farrington Road in the Town of Southeast (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Project includes the widening and reconstruction of U.S. Route 6 at Farrington Road, together with related highway and drainage improvements including, among other things, (i) the construction of a detention pond in the northeast corner of the intersection, (ii) removal and reconstruction of the U.S. Route 6 median, (iii) realignment and reconstruction of Farrington Road and associated drainage, pavement widening, signing and striping improvements in accordance with the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) Specifications (collectively, the "Proposed Action"); 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, on March 2, 2021, pursuant to Resolution #21-44, the County Legislature issued an Unlisted Action determination for the above referenced project, and declared its intent to serve as Lead Agency with respect to SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, a Full Environmental Assessment form (EAF) was prepared for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the EAF and associated documentation was circulated to all involved and interested agencies for the requisite 30 days with a Notice of the Putnam County Legislature's Intent to Serve as Lead Agency and no objections were received thereto; and

WHEREAS, based upon a careful review of the action as a whole, of the EAF and supporting documentation, and the criteria set forth in 6 NYCRR Part 617.7(c), it has been determined that the proposed Project will not result in any potential significant adverse environmental impacts; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that in accordance with 6 NYCRR Part 617, the Putnam County Legislature, as Lead Agency, hereby accepts and adopts the Negative Declaration prepared in connection with the Highway Improvements Project at U.S. Route 6 and Farrington Road, a copy of which is annexed hereto and made a part hereof; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

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

Item #5q – Approval/ Budgetary Amendment (21A027)/ County Clerk/ Historian’s Office/ Purchase Historic Marker and Table 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 Nacerino, Legislator Sayegh moved the following:

Legislator Sayegh stated that this transfer will be used to purchase a special telescoping table for handling historical materials in the amount of \$1,521. She stated the remainder of the funds in the amount of \$1,490 will be used to purchase a historic marker for Prince Cornwall, an African American former slave who was said to have served General Washington in the Revolutionary War. She stated that his real name was discovered to be Nelson Garrison Demmons and he lived to be 100 years old and resided in Kent, New York. She stated that this marker will be among the first marking African American historical sites in Putnam County. She stated that the Putnam County Historian’s office has been working diligently to identify more black history in Putnam County. She stated that, with the help of our P.I.L.O.T. program, two (2) other locations will also have historical markers to identify the historical significance of black history in Putnam County.

Legislator Nacerino stated that it is wonderful that we received an outside donation for this project. She stated that this is a wonderful recognition.

Chairwoman Addonizio thanked the Historian’s office for honoring Nelson Garrison Demmons who served in the Revolutionary War and was buried in the Town of Kent which she represents.

RESOLUTION #84

**APPROVAL/ BUDGETARY AMENDMENT (21A027)/ COUNTY CLERK/ HISTORIAN/
PURCHASE HISTORIC MARKER AND TABLE**

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Clerk has requested a budgetary amendment (21A027) for the Historian’s Office to utilize donations for the purchase of a historic marker and a table to be used in conjunction with historical research; and

WHEREAS, the Health, Social, Educational & Environmental 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:

Increase Revenue:		
10751000 427051	Historian – Outside Donations	3,011
Increase Appropriations:		
10751000 52110	Historian – Furniture & Furnishings	1,521
10751000 54685	Historian – Special Projects	<u>1,490</u>
		3,011

2021 Fiscal Impact – 0 –
2022 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

PROTECTIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE
(Chairwoman Nacerino, Legislators Sayegh & Sullivan)

Item #5r – Approval/ Budgetary Amendment (21A028)/ Sheriff’s Department/ Medical Supplies was next. Chairwoman Addonizio recognized Legislator Nacerino, Chairwoman of the Protective Services Committee. On behalf of the members of the Committee, Legislators Sayegh and Sullivan, Legislator Nacerino moved the following:

RESOLUTION #85

APPROVAL/ BUDGETARY AMENDMENT (21A028)/ SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT/ MEDICAL SUPPLIES

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Sheriff has requested a budgetary amendment (21A028) to utilize Inmate Commissary Account funds to purchase oxygen tanks and regulators for the Correctional Facility and transportation vehicles; and

WHEREAS, these tanks will replace older ones and enable them to add new locations for more coverage in the facility; and

WHEREAS, the Protective 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:

Increase Revenue:		
10315000 427701	Sheriff – Jail – Unclassified	884.50
Increase Appropriations:		
10315000 54330	Sheriff – Jail – Medical Supplies	884.50

2021 Fiscal Impact – 0 –
2022 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #5s – Approval/ Budgetary Amendment (21A029)/ Sheriff’s Department/ Inmate Commissary Funds/ Medical Supplies was next. On behalf of the members of the Protective Services Committee, Legislators Sayegh and Sullivan, Legislator Nacerino moved the following:

RESOLUTION #86

APPROVAL/ BUDGETARY AMENDMENT (21A029)/ SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT/ INMATE COMMISSARY FUNDS/ MEDICAL SUPPLIES

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Sheriff has requested a budgetary amendment (21A029) to utilize Inmate Commissary Funds to purchase Trauma/First Aid Kits for the Correctional Facility and Transportation Vehicles; and

WHEREAS, these kits will replace older First Aid bags and enable them to add new locations for more coverage in the facility; and

WHEREAS, the Protective 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:

Increase Revenue:

10315000 427701	Sheriff – Jail – Unclassified	2,712
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Increase Appropriations:

10315000 54330	Sheriff – Jail – Medical Supplies	2,712
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2021 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

2022 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #5t – Approval/ Budgetary Amendment (21A030)/ Sheriff’s Department/ Inmate Commissary Funds/ Software Accessories was next. On behalf of the members of the Protective Services Committee, Legislators Sayegh and Sullivan, Legislator Nacerino moved the following:

RESOLUTION #87

APPROVAL/ BUDGETARY AMENDMENT (21A030)/ SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT/ INMATE COMMISSARY FUNDS/ SOFTWARE ACCESSORIES

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Sheriff has requested a budgetary amendment (21A030) to utilize Inmate Commissary Funds to purchase battery backups for the Inmate Law Library Computers in the Correctional Facility; and

WHEREAS, the Protective 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:

Increase Revenue:

10315000 427701 Sheriff – Jail – Unclassified 784.25

Increase Appropriations:

10315000 54782 Sheriff – Jail – Software Accessories 784.25

2021 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

2022 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #5u – Approval/ Budgetary Amendment (21A031)/ Sheriff’s Department/ Inmate Commissary Funds/ Computer Equipment was next. On behalf of the members of the Protective Services Committee, Legislators Sayegh and Sullivan, Legislator Nacerino moved the following:

RESOLUTION #88

APPROVAL/ BUDGETARY AMENDMENT (21A031)/ SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT/ INMATE COMMISSARY FUNDS/ COMPUTER EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Sheriff has requested a budgetary amendment (21A031) to utilize Inmate Commissary Funds to purchase a Dual-Sided ID Card Printer for the Inmate Classification System in the Correctional Facility to replace an older one; and

WHEREAS, the Protective 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:

Increase Revenue:

10315000 427701 Sheriff – Jail – Unclassified 1,141.61

Increase Appropriations:

10315000 52130 Sheriff – Jail – Computer Equipment 1,141.61

2021 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

2022 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #5v – Approval/ Budgetary Amendment (21A032)/ Sheriff’s Department/ Inmate Commissary Funds/ Medical Equipment was next. On behalf of the members of the Protective Services Committee, Legislators Sayegh and Sullivan, Legislator Nacerino moved the following:

RESOLUTION #89

APPROVAL/ BUDGETARY AMENDMENT (21A032)/ SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT/ INMATE COMMISSARY FUNDS/ MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Sheriff has requested a budgetary amendment (21A032) to utilize Inmate Commissary Funds to purchase Automated External Defibrillators for the Correctional Facility and Transportation Vehicles; and

WHEREAS, these Automated External Defibrillators will replace older defibrillators and to enable them to add new locations for more coverage in the facility and transport vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the Protective 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:

Increase Revenue:

10315000 427701	Sheriff – Jail – Unclassified	25,284.60
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Increase Appropriations:

10315000 52190	Sheriff – Jail – Medical Equipment	25,284.60
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2021 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

2022 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #5w – Approval/ Budgetary Amendment (21A033)/ Sheriff's Department/ Inmate Commissary Funds/ Audio/Visual & Food/Kitchen Equipment was next.

Legislator Nacerino made a motion to divide the question and consider each of these requests separately; seconded by Legislator Sayegh.

By Roll Call Vote: Seven Ayes. One Nay – Legislator Montgomery. Legislator Albano was absent. Motion Carries.

APPROVAL/ BUDGETARY AMENDMENT (21A033)/ SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT/ INMATE COMMISSARY FUNDS/ AUDIO/VISUAL & FOOD/KITCHEN EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Sheriff has requested a budgetary amendment (21A033) to utilize Inmate Commissary Funds to purchase 30 Televisions, four (4) Flexvolt Jobsite Charger Radios and eight (8) Microwaves for Inmates in the Correctional Facility; and

WHEREAS, the Protective 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:

Increase Revenue:

10315000 427701	Sheriff – Jail – Unclassified	16,934.34
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Increase Appropriations:

10315000 52140	Sheriff – Jail – Audio/Visual Equipment	15,420.66
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10010000 52170 Sheriff – Jail – Food/Kitchen Equipment 1,513.68
16,934.34

2021 Fiscal Impact – 0 –
2022 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

Legislator Nacerino made a motion to move the following resolution approving the purchase of four (4) Flexvolt Jobsite Charger Radios.

RESOLUTION #90

APPROVAL/ BUDGETARY AMENDMENT (21A033)/ SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT/ INMATE COMMISSARY FUNDS/ AUDIO/VISUAL EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Sheriff has requested a budgetary amendment (21A033) to utilize Inmate Commissary Funds to purchase four (4) Flexvolt Jobsite Charger Radios for Inmates in the Correctional Facility; and

WHEREAS, the Protective 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:

Increase Revenue:

10315000 427701 Sheriff – Jail – Unclassified 875.76

Increase Appropriations:

10315000 52140 Sheriff – Jail – Audio/Visual Equipment 875.76

2021 Fiscal Impact – 0 –
2022 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Legislator Nacerino made a motion to approve the following resolution approving the purchase of eight (8) Microwaves.

RESOLUTION #91

APPROVAL/ BUDGETARY AMENDMENT (21A033)/ SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT/ INMATE COMMISSARY FUNDS/ FOOD/KITCHEN EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Sheriff has requested a budgetary amendment (21A033) to utilize Inmate Commissary Funds to purchase eight (8) Microwaves for Inmates in the Correctional Facility; and

WHEREAS, the Protective 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:

Increase Revenue:
10315000 427701 Sheriff – Jail – Unclassified 1,513.68

Increase Appropriations:
10010000 52170 Sheriff – Jail – Food/Kitchen Equipment 1,513.68

2021 Fiscal Impact – 0 –
2022 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Legislator Nacerino stated that the third part of the divided questions is the request to purchase of 30 Healthcare HDTV LED televisions.

Legislator Nacerino made a motion to amend the resolution to purchase 15 televisions at this time; seconded by Legislator Sullivan.

Legislator Sayegh stated that when this was brought up in the Protective Committee meeting and again in the Audit & Administration Committee meeting, she did have some questions regarding the televisions. She stated that in 2019 a total of 33 commercial grade televisions were purchased for the Corrections Department: 30 32-inch televisions and three (3) larger televisions. She thanked Captain Greenough for providing a response to her questions. She explained that his response stated that in 2020 their maintenance professional replaced 20 televisions of the 30 that were ordered. She stated that the televisions are held as back up in the event any need to be replaced. She explained that there should be 10 televisions available as back up and she questioned why they would need to order an additional 30 at this time. She stated that she was in favor of voting to provide additional back up televisions, but she did not see the necessity to purchase an additional 30. She stated that she would be in favor of purchasing an additional 15.

Legislator Nacerino agreed that it was not necessary to purchase 30 televisions at this time to have in stock. She believed there would be ample opportunity to purchase more in the future if needed.

Chairwoman Addonizio called for a roll call vote on the motion to amend the resolution.

By Roll Call Vote: Eight Ayes. Legislator Albano was absent. Motion carries.

Chairwoman Nacerino made a motion to move the resolution as amended.

RESOLUTION #92

APPROVAL/ BUDGETARY AMENDMENT (21A033)/ SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT/ INMATE COMMISSARY FUNDS/ AUDIO/VISUAL EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Sheriff has requested a budgetary amendment (21A033) to utilize Inmate Commissary Funds to purchase 30 Televisions, for Inmates in the Correctional Facility; and

WHEREAS, the Protective Services Committee and the Audit & Administration Committee have reviewed and approved said budgetary amendment; and

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Legislature amended and approved the purchase of 15 Televisions; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the following budgetary amendment be made:

Increase Revenue:

10315000 427701	Sheriff – Jail – Unclassified	7,272.45
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Increase Appropriations:

10315000 52140	Sheriff – Jail – Audio/Visual Equipment	7,272.45
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2021 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

2022 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #5x – Approval/ Budgetary Amendment (21A035)/ Sheriff’s Department/ T-Commission Reserve Funds/ Audio Visual Equipment & Licensing Software was next. On behalf of the members of the Protective Services Committee, Legislators Sayegh and Sullivan, Legislator Nacerino moved the following:

RESOLUTION #93

APPROVAL/ BUDGETARY AMENDMENT (21A035)/ SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT/ T-COMMISSION RESERVE FUNDS/ AUDIO VISUAL EQUIPMENT & LICENSING SOFTWARE

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Sheriff has requested a budgetary amendment (21A035) to utilize T-Commission Reserve Funds to purchase Camera Systems and Camera Accessories for the Patrol Cars; and

WHEREAS, these Camera Systems would replace outdated systems currently in use in the Sheriff’s Office Patrol Cars; and

WHEREAS, the Protective 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:

Increase Revenue:

13311000 426605	Sheriff – Comm – T-Commission Use of Reserve	43,009.95
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Increase Appropriations:

13311000 52640	Sheriff – Comm – Audio Visual Equip	33,769.95
13311000 54783	Sheriff – Comm – Licensing Software	<u>9,240.00</u>
		43,009.95

2021 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

2022 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #5y – Approval/ Confirmation/ Re-Appointments/ Putnam County Emergency Services Safety Advisory Board was next. On behalf of the members of the Protective Services Committee, Legislators Sayegh and Sullivan, Legislator Nacerino moved the following:

Legislator Jonke thanked the members for volunteering. He stated that he had the pleasure to work with these fine people for a couple of years. He stated that they are very dedicated individuals and perform a great service for our County.

Legislator Nacerino also thanked the volunteers for lending their time and expertise for the benefit of Putnam County.

RESOLUTION #94

APPROVAL/ CONFIRMATION/ RE-APPOINTMENTS/ PUTNAM COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES SAFETY ADVISORY BOARD

WHEREAS, Section 25-38 of the Putnam County Code provides for the appointment of members to the Putnam County Emergency Services Safety Advisory Board by the County Executive subject to confirmation by the Putnam County Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive has re-appointed the following:

Eileen Barrett, Putnam County Community Representative, for a three (3) year term, said term to expire December 31 2023.

Dave Jacobsen, Emergency Medical Services Council Representative, for a three (3) year term, said term to expire December 31, 2023.

Eric Peters, NYS Uniform Building & Fire Code Representative, for a three (3) year term, said term to expire December 31, 2023.

WHEREAS, the Protective Services Committee of the Putnam County Legislature has reviewed and approved said re-appointments; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Legislature hereby confirms the re-appointments of Eileen Barrett, Dave Jacobsen and Eric Peters to the Putnam County Emergency Services Safety Advisory Board; and be it further

RESOLVED, that these re-appointments comply with any requirements to file an Oath of Office pursuant to the New York State Public Officers Law.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

**AUDIT & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE
(Chairman Castellano, Legislators Albano & Gouldman)**

Item #5z – Approval/ Budgetary Amendment (21A038)/ Commissioner of Finance/ Vacancy Control Factor / January through March 2021 was next. Chairwoman Addonizio recognized Legislator Castellano, Chairman of the Audit & Administration Committee. On behalf of the members of the Committee, Legislators Albano and Gouldman, Legislator Castellano moved the following:

RESOLUTION #95

APPROVAL/ BUDGETARY AMENDMENT (21A038)/ COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE/ VACANCY CONTROL FACTOR / JANUARY THROUGH MARCH 2021

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Finance has requested a budgetary amendment (21A038) to provide for the Vacancy Control Factor for January through March 2020; and

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

RESOLVED, that the following budgetary amendment be made:

GENERAL FUND:

Decrease Estimated Appropriations:

SEE ATTACHED SHEET	Personal Services	125,931
SEE ATTACHED SHEET	FICA	<u>9,634</u>
		135,565

Decrease Estimated Revenues:

10131000 427705	Vacancy Control Factor	194,029
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Increase Estimated Revenues:

10131000 428551	Transfer from Road Fund	58,464
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COUNTY ROAD FUND:

Decrease Estimated Appropriations:

SEE ATTACHED SHEET	Personal Services	54,309
SEE ATTACHED SHEET	FICA	<u>4,155</u>
		58,464

Increase Estimated Appropriations:

02990100 59030	Transfer to General Fund	58,464
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2021 Fiscal Impact – 0 –
2022 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #5aa – Approval/ Semi-Annual Mortgage Tax Report/ October 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021 was next. On behalf of the members of the Audit & Administration Committee, Legislators Albano and Gouldman, Legislator Castellano moved the following:

Legislator Castellano explained that have we have more than doubled the Mortgage Tax revenue as compared to the same time during the prior year from October 1, 2019 through March 31, 2020.

RESOLUTION #96

APPROVAL/SEMI-ANNUAL MORTGAGE TAX REPORT/ OCTOBER 1, 2020 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2021

WHEREAS, upon receipt of approval of the Semi-Annual Report showing the amounts to be credited to each district of the County of the money collected during the period October 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021 from the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance, the Putnam County Audit and Administration Committee reviewed and hereby forwards same to the Putnam County Legislature; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 261 of the Tax Law, the Putnam County Legislature issues tax warrants for the payment to the respective districts of the amounts so credited and authorizes and directs the Commissioner of Finance to make a payment of said amounts to the respective district in accordance with the report as follows:

Town of Carmel		\$1,177,622.60
Town of Kent		350,439.84
Town of Patterson		420,341.98
Town of Philipstown		
	Village of Cold Spring	32,474.14
	Village of Nelsonville	9,197.54
	Town Outside	391,527.16
Town of Putnam Valley		334,525.72
Town of Southeast		
	Village of Brewster	16,552.83
	Town Outside	<u>499,142.13</u>
Total		\$3,231,823.94

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #5bb – Approval/ Ratification of Putnam County’s Application Submitted for Funding Available Through, Among Others, the Federal Surface Transportation Authorization Acts for an Eligible Federal Transit Administration Project in Putnam

County was next. On behalf of the members of the Audit & Administration Committee, Legislators Albano and Gouldman, Legislator Castellano moved the following:

RESOLUTION #97

APPROVAL/RATIFICATION OF PUTNAM COUNTY'S APPLICATION SUBMITTED FOR FUNDING AVAILABLE THROUGH, AMONG OTHERS, THE FEDERAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION AUTHORIZATION ACTS FOR AN ELIGIBLE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION PROJECT IN PUTNAM COUNTY

WHEREAS, the County Executive and Putnam County Legislature (the "Legislature") agree that projects that support effective and efficient public transportation services to the residents of Putnam County (the "County"), including, without limitation, seniors, individuals with disabilities and low-income persons, is wholly in the best interests of the County taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, competitive funding opportunities exist in advance of the introduction of the Surface Transportation Reauthorization legislation, which current legislation is set to expire on September 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, projects eligible hereto for funding through the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) competitive solicitation process, more specifically, proposed projects that support regular, continuing shared ride surface transportation services that are open to the general public, or open to a segment of the general public defined by age, disability or low income, as more particularly described under 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53, *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, projects selected and funded through the surface transportation authorization will be funded directly from the Highway Trust Fund ("HTF"), which, to date, Congress has transferred approximately \$157 Billion to the HTF from the general fund of the Treasury and other sources, and no separate or subsequent appropriation is required hereto; and

WHEREAS, the foregoing competitive funding opportunity offered through, among others, the Federal Surface Transportation Authorization Acts, directed applications be submitted on/before April 13, 2021¹; and

WHEREAS, the County, by and through the Department of Planning, Development and Public Transportation (the "Department"), timely submitted its application for funding in connection with the proposed transit capital project, *to wit*, the design and construction of a new bus transfer point at the Donald B. Smith campus in the Town of Carmel, aimed to, among other things, improve the riders' experience when transferring between fixed route buses at one pulse point, thereby increasing convenience to County residents visiting, among others, the Office for Senior Resources Friendship Center, Department of Social Services and Bureau of Emergency Services, all of which are located at the Donald B. Smith campus, the foregoing in the best interests of County taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, Section 5-1(D)(1) of the Putnam County Code requires the Legislature to approve all grant applications prior to their submission and that in the event time is of the essence requiring submission before Legislature approval is obtained for such application submission, consideration of the application shall occur at the next Full Legislature Meeting; and

WHEREAS, the County, by and through the Department, is desirous to competitively seek earmark grant funds through the aforesaid competitive funding

¹ The application deadline was subsequently extended to April 16, 2021.

process, and, in furtherance thereof, submitted its application by the deadline set forth by the Federal agency(s); and

WHEREAS, the Legislature supports the Department's submission of its application, post-submission, for earmark grant funding, *to wit*:

<u>Proposed Project</u>	<u>Location/Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Local Match*</u>
Putnam County Bus Transfer Pulse Point (Transit Hub)	Donald B. Smith Campus Carmel, NY	\$1,500,000 (earmark)	\$375,000
		\$940,000 (Sec. 5307)	\$235,000

* Exclusive of NYSDOT ten (10%) percent match, as applicable.

Now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the County Executive, together with the Legislature, supports and ratifies the County's application for earmark grant funding as aforesaid, such application for funding formally submitted for consideration by the Department on April 16, 2021, as required; and it is hereby further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #5cc – Approval/ Grant Application/ Bureau of Emergency Services/ FY2021 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Program was next. On behalf of the members of the Audit & Administration Committee, Legislators Albano and Gouldman, Legislator Castellano moved the following:

Legislator Sayegh clarified that the 50% match would be through in kind services for salaries working on this particular grant program.

RESOLUTION #98

APPROVAL/ GRANT APPLICATION/ BUREAU OF EMERGENCY SERVICES/ FY2021 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT (EMPG) PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Section 5-1(D)(1) of the Putnam County Code requires Legislative approval of all grant applications and renewals that require County matching funds; and

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Emergency Services requested permission to apply for the FY2021 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Program funding in the amount of \$41,401; and

WHEREAS, the funding is provided by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA); and

WHEREAS, the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES) will administer this funding on behalf of FEMA; and

WHEREAS, the performance period for this grant is 36 months, from October 1 2020 to September 30, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the grant application deadline is April 30, 2021; and

**WHEREAS, this grant requires a 50% match by the County; and
WHEREAS, matching funds must be treated as grant funds therefore any personnel used to meet the match requirement will need to meet the same training requirements as EMPG funded personnel; and**

WHEREAS, the Audit & Administration Committee has reviewed and approved of this request; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Bureau of Emergency Services is authorized to apply for a \$41,401 grant from the NYS Homeland Security and Emergency Services under the FY2021 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Program.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6 – Other Business

There was no other business submitted for the meeting.

Item #7 – Recognition of Legislators,

Legislator Nacerino wished all the mothers and grandmothers a Happy Mother's Day. She also congratulated Frank Russo who recently retired from the Corrections facility. She wished him the best of luck and happiness in his retirement.

Legislator Montgomery explained that she brought forward two (2) of the proclamations this evening which recognized the work of our Correction Officers and the Police. She stated that this is National Correctional Officers week. She explained the strain on them and how Correctional facilities have evolved into Mental Health facilities during the pandemic. She thanked our Correction Officers and to the Sheriff, Captain Greenough and all the employees at the Putnam County Jail. She stated that May 9th is National Police week. She stated that it is not an easy time to be a Police Officer or Sheriff. She thanked the Sheriff and Deputy Sheriffs for all their hard work. She stated that they put their lives on the line and this is in recognition of all those fallen Police Officers. She stated that it is also National Safe Boating Month and she hoped we could get the resources needed to keep people safe on the waters in Putnam County.

Legislator Sullivan also recognized National Police week. He thanked all the men and woman in our law enforcement agencies for their tireless efforts in keeping the public safe. He stated that they put their lives at risk for the public's protection and we greatly appreciate their hard work and effort. He stated that we look forward to having a great relationship with our law enforcement community, working together to provide public safety, while at the same time keeping our budgetary constraints in mind.

Legislator Sayegh recognized the proclamation to support the sale of Buddy Poppies. She stated that they are sold to raise funds for our veterans. She stated that there are four (4) VFW facilities in Putnam County which are in the towns of Brewster, Carmel, Putnam Valley and Mahopac. She encouraged individuals to donate to their VFWs in support of all our heroes who have fought to make us free.

Legislator Nacerino mentioned that there is a VFW in Putnam Lake as well.

Legislator Jonke commended the Health Department and Commissioner of Health, Dr. Nesheiwat for running the vaccination PODS so efficiently. He stated that he received his vaccine at the Brewster location. He explained that it was extremely organized, and these individuals, along with the many volunteers, have done a tremendous job and service for Putnam County. He stated that the Governor is starting to relax the rules and regulations, and he was hopeful that the Legislature would be meeting in person in the next few months. He was hopeful, in the not-too-distant future, we would be welcoming the public back into our meetings.

There being no further business, at 8:32 P.M., Chairwoman Addonizio made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Legislator Montgomery. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted by Diane Schonfeld, Clerk.