

**SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE
PUTNAM COUNTY LEGISLATURE
CALLED BY THE CLERK AT THE REQUEST OF THE CHAIRMAN
HELD IN ROOM 318
PUTNAM COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING
CARMEL, NEW YORK 10512**

**Monday April 25, 2022
(Immediately Following Audit Committee Mtg. starting at 6:30 P.M.)**

The meeting was called to order at 7:23 P.M. by Chairman Sullivan who requested that Legislator Jonke lead in the Pledge of Allegiance and Legislator Montgomery lead in the Legislative Prayer. Upon roll call, Legislators Montgomery, Gouldman, Addonizio, Nacerino, Jonke, Castellano, Sayegh and Chairman Sullivan were present. Legislator Albano was absent. Also present was Legislative Counsel Firriolo.

Item #4 – Approval/ Motor Fuel Sales Tax Adjustment was next. Chairman Sullivan moved the following which was just discussed and approved out of the Audit & Administration Committee.

RESOLUTION #74

APPROVAL/ MOTOR FUEL SALES TAX ADJUSTMENT

Resolution of the Legislature of the County of Putnam, electing a cents per gallon rate of sales and compensating use taxes on motor fuel and diesel motor fuel, in lieu of the percentage rate of such taxes, pursuant to the authority of Article 29 of the Tax Law of the State of New York.

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

SECTION 1.

Resolution No. 85 of 1977 is amended by adding a new section 4-B to read as follows:

Section 4-B. Cents per gallon rate of sales and compensating use taxes on motor fuel and diesel motor fuel.

Notwithstanding any provision of this enactment to the contrary, in lieu of the percentage rate of sales and compensating use taxes imposed on receipts from the retail sale of and consideration given or contracted to be given for, or for the use of, motor fuel and diesel motor fuel, such taxes shall be imposed at a rate of cents per gallon of such motor fuel or diesel motor fuel, in the manner prescribed by subdivision (m) of section 1111 of the New York Tax Law, provided that, for purposes of calculating the cents per gallon rate of tax, such receipts or consideration shall be limited to two dollars per gallon of either

such fuel. Provided that, if the average price of such fuels changes as described in such subdivision (m) of section 1111 of the Tax Law, the Commissioner of Taxation and Finance shall adjust the cents per gallon tax rate on such fuels in the manner prescribed in such subdivision (m) of section 1111 of the Tax Law.

SECTION 2.

This resolution shall take effect June 1, 2022 and shall expire and be deemed repealed on December 1, 2022.

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

Item #5 – Other Business

There was no other business submitted to the meeting.

Item #6 - Recognition of Public on Agenda Items

There was no member of the public wishing to be recognized.

Item #7 - Recognition of Legislators

Legislator Gouldman stated that he was glad this resolution was approved. He stated that people are hurting and whatever we can do to help the financial burden of individuals in Putnam County is a good thing.

Legislator Sayegh stated that only about one third of the population in Putnam County has immediate access to public transportation. She stated that if we had the opportunity to lower taxes to benefit our constituents, she was all for it as long as we could still provide the essential government services.

Chairman Sullivan stated that hopefully in conjunction with New York State's relief at approximately \$.16 per gallon, our County reduction of approximately \$.10 per gallon and if the Federal government comes through with their \$.10 per gallon reduction, there will be a total reduction of approximately \$.30 to \$.40 per gallon for our constituents.

There being no further business, at 7:28 P.M., Chairman Sullivan made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Legislator Montgomery.

Respectfully submitted by Diane Schonfeld, Clerk.