

**PUBLIC HEARING  
ON THE  
TENTATIVE BUDGET  
AS PRESENTED BY THE  
COUNTY EXECUTIVE  
HELD BY THE  
BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE  
OF THE  
PUTNAM COUNTY LEGISLATURE  
HELD IN THE  
HISTORIC COURTHOUSE  
CARMEL, NEW YORK 10512**

**Thursday**

**October 3, 2024**

(Beginning at 8:00 P.M. or immediately following Budget Presentation)

The meeting was called to order at 8:15 P.M. by Chairman Jonke who requested Legislator Castellano lead in the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon roll call, Legislators Montgomery, Gouldman, Addonizio, Nacerino, Castellano, Crowley and Chairman Jonke were present. Legislators Ellner and Sayegh were absent. Also present was Legislative Counsel Firriolo.

Chairman Jonke requested that the Clerk read the Public Notice.

**LEGAL NOTICE**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Budget and Finance Committee of the Legislature of the County of Putnam will hold a Public Hearing on the Tentative Budget for the year 2025 on Thursday, October 3, 2024, at 8:00 P.M., or immediately following the County Executive's Budget Presentation to the Committee, whichever occurs second, at the Historic Courthouse, Gleneida Avenue, Carmel, New York.

**NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN** that any interested persons may review a copy of the Tentative Budget for the year 2025 at the Office of the Clerk of the Putnam County Legislature, Room 321, 40 Gleneida Avenue, Carmel, New York, any time during regular business hours after October 1, 2024, or on the Putnam County Finance Department's website by close of business day October 2, 2024.

**BY ORDER OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY LEGISLATURE**

Diane Schonfeld  
Clerk of the Legislature

Chairman Jonke stated that anyone wishing to speak this evening on the proposed 2025 Tentative Budget, he requested that they come up to the microphone, state their name and the town in which they reside and to please fill out the same information on the sign in sheet on the podium.

Dede Farabaugh, Director of the Desmond-Fish Public Library in Garrison, New York and Carol Donick, Director of the Kent Public Library wanted to thank the Legislature for their continued support of the libraries. Ms. Donick stated that the libraries provide a lot of services that the people of Putnam County depend on. She stated that we could only provide this service with the County's continued support.

**Ms. Farabaugh concurred. She stated that between the eight (8) libraries throughout the County they are open seven (7) days per week. She stated that even when we are not open, there are residents who utilize the Wi-Fi in our parking lots. She explained the variety of services they provide which residents depend on on a daily basis.**

**There being no other member of the public that wished to speak on the proposed 2025 Budget, at 8:20 P.M., Chairman Jonke made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Legislator Castellano. All in favor.**

**Respectfully submitted by Diane Schonfeld, Clerk.**