

COUNCIL MEETING
REGULAR SESSION
January 18, 2022 at 6:30 P.M.

ATTENDANCE

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

David Fuhrman, President
Phillip Gick (virtually)
Danny Wallace
Larry Parker
Jay Alcorn
Keith Berry

COMMISSIONERS:

Rick Woodall, President

ATTORNEY:

Trudy Selvia

AUDITOR'S OFFICE:

Kristina Berish

AUDIENCE:

4 Individuals

The Putnam County Council met in Regular Session on January 18, 2022, at the Putnam County Courthouse at 6:30 p.m. Dave Fuhrman opened the meeting with the pledge to the flag. He announced Stephanie Campbell was unable to attend the meeting and Phil Gick was attending it virtually.

PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT

Keith Berry nominated Dave Fuhrman for President and Stephanie Campbell for Vice President. Danny Wallace seconded. No other nominations. Jay Alcorn made the motion to close nominations. Larry Parker seconded. The motion carried. The motion carried to appoint Fuhrman and Campbell.

SUPERIOR COURT

Judge Dennis Bridges came to the meeting to discuss the restructuring of the office staff after one of his employees passed away last month. He had hired someone, but he was redistributing the workload done by the previous employee, due to this the new employee would be starting at a lower amount. He wanted to take the difference in salary and split it between his employees who would have additional duties to learn and perform. He was not asking for any new monies just to redistribute what the Council had approved for his 2022 personnel budget. Danny Wallace made the motion to approve. Jay Alcorn seconded. The motion carried.

Following employees' salary will change to:

Brenda Johnson	\$41,486
Tamila Shrum	\$39,486
Heather Robinson	\$35,239 (new employee)
Rachel Taul	\$35,239

CYBER SECURITY

Commissioner Rick Woodall and John Parmley with EPIC Insurance brought to their attention the county's cyber insurance renewal comes up in March and there is criteria that needs to be done before then. Woodall said they were looking at getting countywide emails to help meet the requirements. Estimates they are getting so far for setting it up is between 30-40K.

EMS

Rick Woodall said they neglected to ask during the 2022 budget process for the part time help hourly rates to be increased. Currently EMT's get \$13.86 want to increase it to \$14.83. Medics currently receive \$17.71 want to increase it to \$18.95. Keith Berry made the motion to approve the two increases retroactive to the first of the year. Jay Alcorn seconded. The motion carried. Woodall went over some informational paperwork on the past year at EMS.

HEALTH INSURANCE TRUST ADDITIONAL

Rick Woodall represented:
5205 fund \$159,086
8/1/20 – 7/31/21 insurance settlement. Due to 8 people going over the \$50,000 stop loss limit.
Larry Parker made the motion to approve. Danny Wallace seconded. The motion carried.

HIGHWAY ADDITIONAL

Clint Maddox & Rick Woodall represented:
1135 fund \$250,000
To cover contract over budgeted amount
Larry Parker made the motion to approve. Jay Alcorn seconded. The motion carried.

CUMULATIVE FUNDS

Rick Woodall said they were working on changing the cumulative funds for the county. They would get rid of the cumulative jail and courthouse and have a capital cumulative fund. This fund would be outside the levy freeze which would be better for the county and give them more spending power.

MINUTES

December 21, 2021 – Jay Alcorn made the motion to approve. Larry Parker seconded. The motion carried.
January 7, 2022 – Danny Wallace made the motion to approve. Keith Berry seconded. The motion carried.

ADJOURN

Keith Berry made the motion to adjourn. Danny Wallace seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

David Fuhrman, President

Phillip Gick

Jay Alcorn

Larry Parker

Keith Berry

Danny Wallace

Attest:Auditor’s Office
Kristina Berish