

COUNCIL MEETING
REGULAR SESSION
December 21, 2021 at 6:30 P.M.

ATTENDANCE

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

David Fuhrman, President
Stephanie Campbell, Vice President
Phillip Gick
Danny Wallace
Larry Parker
Jay Alcorn
Keith Berry

ATTORNEY:

AUDITOR'S OFFICE:

AUDIENCE:

Kristina Berish
5 Individuals

The Putnam County Council met in Regular Session on December 21, 2021, at the Putnam County Courthouse at 6:30 p.m. Dave Fuhrman opened the meeting with the pledge to the flag.

2022 MEETING DATES

Keith Berry made the motion to approve. Phil Gick seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

2022 APPOINTMENTS

Cemetery	Dave Fuhrman
EMA	Dave Fuhrman
LEPC	Dave Fuhrman
Community Corrections	Dave Fuhrman
EMS	Danny Wallace
Commissioner's liaison	Larry Parker
Community Foundation	Jay Alcorn
E911	Phil Gick
Humane Society	Danny Wallace
W Central Solid Waste	Stephanie Campbell
Pre-Trial Release Program	Danny Wallace
G'castle Putnam Co Econ Development	Phil Gick
Plan Commission	Jay Alcorn
Health	Stephanie Campbell
Thrive	Phil Gick
Park Board	Phil Gick

Larry Parker made the motion to approve the above listed appointments. Jay Alcorn seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

PC Public Library

Barbara Boese & Kayla Fiegal

Danny Wallace made the motion to re-appoint both individuals. Stephanie Campbell seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

ADULT PROBATION

Teresa Parrish asked to make a part time position into full time. The position is currently filled by Ashley Underwood. The request was due to the increase in workload. It would be 7 more hours a week which would equal an increase in pay of \$5,911 a year. The position would not have any benefits except for PERF, a document would be signed by the employee acknowledging. The salary and benefit would be paid from grants and user fees only. If there is a time where there was not enough money to pay for a full-time individual it would revert to part time. Keith Berry made the motion to approve the request of moving position to full time. No county funding would pay for the salary or benefits. Employee needed to sign document acknowledging position did not come with benefits. Larry Parker seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC DEFENDERS

Judge Headley passed out information prior to the meeting with the challenge they were facing regarding public defenders. They need to go from the 2 ½ positions to 4. Judge Headley researched and they do have money to fund it for 2022. Next budget process they will have more numbers to present to the Council for moving forward. Danny Wallace made the motion to approve. Jay Alcorn seconded. Phil Gick abstained. The motion carried. Dave Fuhrman said this has been an ongoing problem for some time, the county needed to address it.

EMS ADDITIONALS/TRANSFERS

Kelly Russ attended meeting to represent:

1000-10247-157	1000-10129-157	\$65,400
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To pay for overtime

1170-30346-157	1170-20206-157	\$1,400
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Cover operating expenses

1170-40402-157	1170-20203-157	\$3,700
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Fuel

1170-40402-157	1170-30303-157	\$4,300
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Repairs & Maintenance

Phil Gick made the motion to approve the above transfers. Stephanie Campbell seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

1151-10243-157	\$7,000
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EMT & Paramedics

1151-10129-157	\$4,935.14
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Overtime

Keith Berry made the motion to approve the two additional. Larry Parker seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

ANIMAL CONTROL TRANSFER

Terry Eastham

4008-30366-626	4008-10112-626	\$1,000
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To pay for part time employee

Danny Wallace made the motion to approve. Jay Alcorn seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Brian Williams came to the meeting regarding a new grant they received allowing them to hire a full-time employee for County School Liaison position and move one existing part time employee. The positions will be completely funded by grant. Grant is for two years. No county funds would be utilized.

Unfortunately, COVID is not ending, they requested to continue to be paid for overtime instead of earning compensatory time. The Commissioners and Council had approved monies earlier in the year to pay for the overtime. They asked to use the balance left at the end of the year in the accounts to pay for overtime in 2022. They realize an additional could not be submitted until next month for the Council to approve.

They would also like to submit next month the ending balance for the nurse being paid from the CARES Act money. And the part time staff being paid from the rainy-day fund.

The Council could not make a motion at this time but gave a consensus to bring the appropriate paperwork next month for them to review and vote on.

2022 SALARY ORDINANCE

Approved at the November meeting, just needed to be signed.

2021 SALARY ORDINANCE

Amended salary ordinance to address changes the Council had approved since last ordinance approved. Phil Gick made the motion to approve. Jay Alcorn seconded. The motion carried unanimously

MINUTES

October 26, 2021 ARP – Stephanie Campbell made the motion to approve. Jay Alcorn seconded. The motion carried.

November 16, 2021 – remove Danny Wallace from the attendees. Phil Gick made the motion to approve. Stephanie Campbell seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN

Phil Gick made the motion to adjourn. Stephanie Campbell seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

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Stephanie Campbell, Vice President

Larry Parker

Phillip Gick

Danny Wallace

Keith Berry

Jay Alcorn

**Attest: Auditor’s Office
Kristina Berish**

