

**COMMISSIONER MEETING
SPECIAL SESSION
June 26, 2025
10:30 AM**

ATTENDANCE:

COMMISSIONERS:	Rick Woodall, President Tom Helmer, Vice President Andy Beck
COUNCIL:	Stephanie Campbell, President
ATTORNEY:	Jim Ensley
AUDITOR'S OFFICE	Kristina Berish
AUDIENCE:	7 Individuals

The Putnam County Board of Commissioners met on June 26, 2025, at 10:30 AM for a special meeting. The meeting was held at the Putnam County courthouse. The pledge to the flag was given.

Woodall made the motion to add Health department to the agenda. Helmer seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

BRIDGE 133

Bridge is located on county road 550 E. Woodall said the first thing that needs to be decided is if they are going to fix the bad part of the bridge or replace the entire bridge. The bridge was built in 1920, and the beams were replaced in 1977. Approximately 750 vehicles cross this bridge daily.

United looked at the bridge yesterday, due to the number of vehicles that cross each day and the bridge not being a straight thru a grate bridge is not a good option. Beck made the motion to approve replacing the bridge. It is a financially long-term better option for the county. Replace it with a steel eye beam with a deck pan and concrete floor. Helmer seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Clint Maddox can go by the yearly bids submitted to the county. Woodall made the motion to get bids on the construction. Helmer seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

BRIDGE 154

Bridge is located on county road 275 S. Woodall stated after the approval of bridge 133 this leaves the county with approximately 1M left for bridges. With the estimates given for this bridge, we cannot do this one. They would only be able to do the design work this year but not replace it.

BRIDGE 191

Bridge is located on county road 1000 S. The bridge was built in 1960, and nothing has been done to it since. The E & H quote is based on replacing the abutment. If they do not replace it, then their number will change. After discussing, it was decided to table and do further research.

Clint Maddox will review bids received earlier in the year from companies and will hire someone to oversee bridge 133 and design bridge 191.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT OFFICE SPACE

Woodall said the hospital board had approached them about purchasing their medical building to move the health department into. The hospital already had an appraisal done and it did come in higher than the price quoted to the county to purchase.

First National Bank did tell Woodall the county could assume the mortgage the hospital had on the building. They would need to pay 40K to buy down the interest rate. Also checking to see if there is a balloon payment on the loan.

The Commissioners also looked at a second property on the north side of town. The county would need to get two appraisals and compare it to the price given. If appraisal comes in higher, the seller could increase the price.

The county does have a renovation cost for either building. It was decided to table until their July 7th meeting and try to get someone to look at building to get rough estimate.

ADJOURN

Woodall made the motion to adjourn. Helmer seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Rick Woodall, President

Tom Helmer, Vice President

Andy Beck

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