

**COMMISSIONER MEETING
SPECIAL SESSION
September 9, 2025
8:00 AM**

ATTENDANCE:

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

The Putnam County Board of Commissioners met on September 9, 2025, at 8:00 AM in special session. The meeting was held at the Putnam County Courthouse. Woodall opened the meeting and the pledge to the flag was given.

2026 ROAD PLAN

Highway Director Clint Maddox submitted a list by district of potential roads for paving. Also, a list for potential chip & seal roads. They will not have the funding to do all the roads on the list; he put an asterisk beside the worst roads. (see attached list) Commissioners discussed the list.

Community Crossings grant next year will be going back down to 1M. Deputy Director Robyn Hughes needs to know the roads to submit with the report by next week. The deadline to submit the grant application is next month. Commissioners discussed roads and decided on: 600 E (4.8 miles), 250 E (1.6 miles), and 10 E (2.2 miles).

Maddox said the grinder demonstration will take two days, it will be this week on Wednesday and Thursday on CR 325 N.

BRIDGE 154

Hughes said they received two bids: 1) United \$158,500 and 2) HWC \$161,300. Maddox said they looked at the bids to make sure they were apples to apples, and they were. Woodall asked if we had the funds available this year. Hughes said once the 600K additional from the wheel/excise tax and the 500K additional request from EDIT is approved by the council they would have the funds for the bridge. Beck made the motion to accept United's bid. Woodall seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

A representative from United stated they would start next month and looked to bid out the project for construction June 2026. Hughes said the company had submitted a timeline for the project with their bid. It is estimated at 800K – 1M for the bridge.

BRIDGE FUNDS 2026

Woodall said the board needs to sit down and discuss bridges they hope to do next year. And come up with a game plan for requesting funds from the council. Hughes said they would like to suggest making a bridge bundle. Commissioners would need to decide which bridges and then send out request for proposals. Beck felt they should start with the worst bridges. Hughes passed out a five-year study for the board to review (see attached). They will need a decision next month to start working on a plan.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUEST

Hughes submitted a leave of absence request from one of their employees. Request from now until November. Helmer made the motion to approve. Beck seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURN

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

Rick Woodall, President

Tom Helmer, Vice President

Andy Beck

Attest: Auditor's Office
Kristina Berish