

COMMISSIONERS MEETING
REGULAR SESSION
AUGUST 15, 2022 9:00 AM

ATTENDANCE:

COMMISSIONERS:	Rick Woodall, President Thomas Helmer, Vice President David Berry
ATTORNEY:	James Ensley
AUDITOR:	Kristina Berish
COUNCIL:	David Fuhrman
AUDIENCE:	26 Individuals

The Putnam County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on August 15, 2022, at 9:00 AM at the Putnam County Courthouse. Rick Woodall opened the meeting and the pledge to the flag was given.

PTABOA BOARD

Janet Brown Assessor presented proposed board members to be appointed. Berry made the motion to approve. Helmer seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

AFLAC

Bill Elden and Jim Chalos came to the meeting to talk about AFLAC benefits they wanted to offer to county employees. Mr. Elden said a few employees had reached out to him during this year's open enrollment. The county utilizes one company to offer benefits to employees. They wanted to get away from multiple carriers which muddies the water.

SECTIONS 275E & 100N COUNTY ROADS

Anna Rising came to the meeting to see if the approximate mile of road with 11 homes on it could be double chip & sealed. Woodall said the county currently has no plans to pave any roads in the county due to not having the funding to maintain what they currently have. What had been offered in other instances, property owners paid for the material and the highway department did the labor. Discussion. Jim Peck would crunch the numbers to see how much it would cost to do the section.

CULVERT PIPE

Jared Grable said they were authorized by previous Highway Supervisor for Glen Browning Drive to work on a pipe. Discussion of the culvert. Everyone agreed it needed a larger pipe. Question was, who paid for it. Jim Ensley suggested we have a meeting with City of Greencastle.

PARKS BOARD

Eric Freeman requested use of the Houck Covered Bridge on September 15, 2022 from 4:00 pm – 7:30 pm. Helmer made the motion to approve. Woodall seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

VAN BIBBER WASTEWATER PROJECT RESOLUTION #2022-08-15-01

Kristy Jerrell submitted resolution. Woodall made the motion to approve. Helmer seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Jim Peck Highway Engineer gave updates:

- 1) Paving projects
- 2) Bridge 276 - Clark Dietz representatives came to the meeting to give an update. Holdup due to CSX not sending a flagger each time they were scheduled to work. Happened again this morning.
- 3) Bridge Inventory – United Consulting was approved by INDOT

COUNTYWIDE EMAILS

DJ Hendrich gave update about domain address.

HEALTH INSURANCE – TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

The discussion of township trustees being on the county insurance policy came up when preparing for open enrollment. It was found that fellow counties do not allow them to be on their plan since they were not county employees. It had been agreed upon by the Commissioners to remove them from the plan. A letter was sent out to trustees affected to give them advance notice of the change in policy.

Helmer made the motion to approve that only county employees are allowed to be on the county insurance policy. Current individuals on the plan that would no longer be eligible would be allowed to have coverage through December 31, 2022. Berry seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

PLANNING COMMISSION BOARD APPOINTMENT

Helmer made the motion to appoint Clint Cooper. Berry seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

EMS BUILDING

Woodall said they have had some major issues with the building that has caused a lot of damage. They were trying to figure out the sewage issue and repairs.

CLAIMS

August 8 – Berry made the motion to approve. Helmer seconded. The motion carried.
August 4 – Helmer made the motion to approve. Berry seconded. The motion carried.
August 11 – Berry made the motion to approve. Helmer seconded. The motion carried.
August 12 – Helmer made the motion to approve. Berry seconded. The motion carried.
August 15 – Woodall made the motion to approve. Helmer seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

PAYROLL

August 12 – Berry made the motion to approve. Woodall seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES

August 1 – Helmer made the motion to approve. Berry seconded. The motion carried.
July 18 – Woodall made the motion to approve. Helmer seconded. The motion carried.
July 29 (Executive) – Woodall made the motion to approve. Berry seconded. The motion carried.

MAIL

The Board of Commissioners acknowledged their mail.

ADJOURN

Woodall made a motion to adjourn. Berry seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Rick Woodall, President

Thomas Helmer, Vice President

David Berry

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