

COMMISSIONERS MEETING
REGULAR SESSION
August 2, 2021, 9:00 AM

ATTENDANCE:

COMMISSIONERS:	Rick Woodall, President Thomas Helmer, Vice President David Berry
ATTORNEY:	James Ensley
AUDITOR:	Lorie Talbert
COUNCIL:	Dave Fuhrman Phil Gick Larry Parker
AUDIENCE:	11 Individuals

The Putnam County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on August 2, 2021, at 9:00 AM at the Putnam County Courthouse. Rick Woodall opened the meeting and the pledge to the flag was given.

RAY POYNTER JR. AND STEVE CASH-PUTNAM COUNTY FARM BUREAU PUBLIC SAFETY

Ray Poynter Jr. spoke on behalf of Putnam County Farm Bureau, stating that the roadways due to tree overgrowth are a danger to the public and with the ditches being dug so deep vehicles have no place to go if they meet another vehicle. The Putnam County Farm Bureau is concerned with the safety of the public.

Mike Ricketts, Highway Supervisor said that the highway department has 2 trim mowers, and they are not in working condition at this time, and not enough manpower to run regular mowers on the roadsides.

WILLIAM AND ELLEN TUDOR

William and Ellen Tudor live at 331 Lincoln Hills at Heritage Lake, they are having drainage issues due to construction and excavation on the lot directly behind their property at 324 Lincoln Hills.

Rick Woodall told them that he would look into the issue.

SHERIFF

Chief Deputy, Matt Demmings requested approval to trade a van being used by maintenance supervisor, Tom Gilson as the van is costing more than it is worth to repair.

Matt said that they found a 2015 van with 69,000 miles at Andy Mohr, and they will give them a \$2,500.00 credit for the old van. The new van will be purchased with money from the commissary fund.

Tom Helmer made a motion to approve the request and David Berry seconded the motion.

DON AND PAM RICHARDS-MORRISON PROPERTY

Don Richards said that Mr. Morrison has now moved more semi-truck trailers onto the property. Mr. Richards asked the Commissioners to require that Mr. Morrison remove this new stuff.

Rick Woodall told Mr. Richards that the Commissioners have a site visit planned for Thursday August 5, 2021, at 4:00 p.m.

ERIC FREEMAN-COUNTY PARK BOARD APPOINTMENT

Eric Freeman recommended Daryl Wiatt as the Commissioners appointment to the county park board.

The terms for the park board appointees are 4-year terms, however for Mr. Wiatt his first term will only be 2 years in order to stagger the appointments.

Tom Helmer made a motion to approve Daryl Wiatt as the Commissioner appointment to the County Park Board. David Berry seconded the motion. The motion carried.

HIGHWAY

Mike Ricketts, Highway Supervisor said Bridge 172 completion date has been moved back. They have 2 roads that will not be completed this year, Dam Road and a road north of the bridge.

Bridge 276, the county has one more parcel to be acquired for the right of way. That parcel should be acquired this week.

The county portion of the bridge project is 20%.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

COVID Pay was discussed and will be researched and discussed at a later meeting.

Jim Ensley spoke about the noise ordinance that was discussed at an earlier meeting. David Berry would like to do some more research.

Jim said that if in the future the county wants to be able to hold meeting via electronics or virtually, we have to have a county ordinance.

Jim will draft the ordinance.

Brian Smith, Custodial Supervisor will be retiring at the end of October. An advertisement will be running for his replacement in middle of August.

CLAIMS

July 22, 2021 – Dave Berry made the motion to approve. Tom Helmer seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

July 29, 2021 – Tom Helmer made the motion to approve. Rick Woodall seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

August 2, 2021 – Tom Helmer made the motion to approve. Rick Woodall seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

PAYROLL

July 30, 2021 – David Berry made the motion to approve. Tom Helmer seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES

July 19, 2021 – Tom Helmer made the motion to approve. Dave Berry seconded. The motion carried.

July 19, 2021, Executive Session – Rick Woodall made the motion to approve. David Berry seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

MAIL

The Board of Commissioners acknowledged their mail.

ADJOURN

David Berry made the motion to adjourn. Tom Helmer seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Rick Woodall, President

David Berry

Thomas Helmer, Vice President

Attest: Auditor's Office