

WHEREAS, the grant will be administered by the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES) on behalf of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA); and

WHEREAS, the performance period for this grant is from September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Protective Services Committee and the Audit & Administration Committee have reviewed and approved said budgetary amendment; now therefore be it RESOLVED, that the following budgetary amendment be made:

Increase Appropriations:

10398901 54783 10159	FY20 Homeland Security – Licensing	5,400
10398901 52130 10159	FY20 Homeland Security – Computer Equip	9,100
10398901 52630 10159	FY20 Homeland Security – Computer Equip	10,000
10398901 52180 10159	FY20 Homeland Security – Other Equipment	13,200
10398901 52140 10159	FY20 Homeland Security – Audio Visual Equip	12,171
10398901 52640 10159	FY20 Homeland Security – Audio Visual Equip	7,000
10398901 52190 10159	FY20 Homeland Security – Medical Equipment	3,395
10398901 52690 10159	FY20 Homeland Security – Medical Equipment	16,605
10398901 52650 10159	FY20 Homeland Security – Motor Vehicle	36,000
10398901 54370 10159	FY20 Homeland Security – Motor Vehicle	14,000
10398901 54646 10159	FY20 Homeland Security – Contracts	70,000
10364501 52680 10159	FY20 Homeland Security – Other Equipment	13,200
10364501 54646 10159	FY20 Homeland Security – Contracts	<u>52,450</u>
		262,521

Increase Revenues:

10398901 440891 10159	FY20 Homeland Security – EMS Federal	262,521
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2020 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

2021 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR MONTGOMERY WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6b - Approval/ Fund Transfer (20T216)/ Sheriff's Department/ Patrol Overtime (tabled from November Full Meeting) was next. On behalf of the members of the Protective Services Committee, Legislators Nacerino and Sullivan, Legislator Jonke moved the following:

RESOLUTION #212

APPROVAL/ FUND TRANSFER/ SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT/ PATROL OVERTIME

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Sheriff has requested a fund transfer (20T216) to cover Overtime expenses from July due to two (2) Deputies in the Academy, two (2) Deputies on Military Leave, two (2) Deputies on 207C and staffing loss due to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, there has been a need to increase staffing due to protests throughout the County and a cost increase due to settlement of new contract agreement; and
 WHEREAS, the Protective Services Committee and the Audit & Administration Committee has reviewed and approved said fund transfer; now therefore be it
RESOLVED, that the following fund transfer be made:

Decrease:		
10315000 51000 10150	Jail Personnel	3,058
10315000 58002	Jail FICA	<u>234</u>
		3,292
Increase:		
17311000 51093	Patrol Overtime	3,058
17311000 58002	Patrol FICA	<u>234</u>
		3,292

2020 Fiscal Impact – 0 –
 2021 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR MONTGOMERY WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6c - Approval/ Fund Transfer (20T218)/ Sheriff’s Department/ Patrol Overtime (tabled from November Full Meeting) was next. On behalf of the members of the Protective Services Committee, Legislators Nacerino and Sullivan, Legislator Jonke moved the following:

RESOLUTION #213

APPROVAL/ FUND TRANSFER/ SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT/ PATROL OVERTIME

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Sheriff has requested a fund transfer (20T218) to cover Overtime expenses from August due to two (2) Deputies in the Academy, two (2) Deputies on Military Leave, two (2) Deputies on 207C and staffing loss due to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, there has been a need to increase staffing due to protests throughout the County and a cost increase due to settlement of new contract agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Protective Services Committee and the Audit & Administration Committee has reviewed and approved said fund transfer; now therefore be it
RESOLVED, that the following fund transfer be made:

Decrease:		
10315000 51000 10143	Jail Personnel	2,059
10315000 51000 10150	Jail Personnel	4,587
10315000 58002	Jail FICA	<u>508</u>
		7,154
Increase:		
17311000 51093	Patrol Overtime	6,646
17311000 58002	Patrol FICA	<u>508</u>
		7,154

2020 Fiscal Impact – 0 –
2021 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

**BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR MONTGOMERY WAS ABSENT.
MOTION CARRIES.**

Item #6d - Approval/ Fund Transfer (20T221)/ Sheriff’s Department/ Patrol Overtime (tabled from November Full Meeting) was next. On behalf of the members of the Protective Services Committee, Legislators Nacerino and Sullivan, Legislator Jonke moved the following:

RESOLUTION #214

APPROVAL/ FUND TRANSFER/ SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT/ PATROL OVERTIME

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Sheriff has requested a fund transfer (20T221) to cover Overtime expenses from September due to two (2) Deputies in the Academy, two (2) Deputies on Military Leave, two (2) Deputies on 207C and staffing loss due to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, there has been a need to increase staffing due to protests throughout the County and a cost increase due to settlement of new contract agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Protective Services Committee and the Audit & Administration Committee has reviewed and approved said fund transfer; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the following fund transfer be made:

Decrease:

10315000 51000 10143	Jail Personnel	6,471
10315000 51000 10144	Jail Personnel	5,328
10315000 51000 10150	Jail Personnel	4,805
10315000 58002	Jail FICA	<u>1,270</u>
		17,874

Increase:

17311000 51093	Patrol Overtime	16,604
17311000 58002	Patrol FICA	<u>1,270</u>
		17,874

2020 Fiscal Impact – 0 –
2021 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

**BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR MONTGOMERY WAS ABSENT.
MOTION CARRIES.**

Item #6e – Approval/ Fund Transfer (20T243)/ Commissioner of Finance/ Consulting Services for Administrative Review of Sheriff’s Department was next. On behalf of the members of the Protective Services Committee, Legislators Nacerino and Sullivan, Legislator Jonke moved the following:

Legislator Nacerino stated that we have discussed this in great length during Committee. She stated that the Bonadio group was secured by the County a few years ago for the

Department of Social Services. She believed that any overture to approve efficiencies is a good thing for the County. She looked forward to seeing their recommendations as a result of the analysis.

Legislator Sullivan stated that he looked forward to the Bonadio Group's review. He explained for a while we wanted to understand the method being used at the Sheriff's Department to utilize our resources as effectively as possible. He stated that the Bonadio Group helped the County with a Medicaid issue years ago and he looked forward to their independent analysis to understand if changes could be implemented to benefit the taxpayers of Putnam County.

Legislator Montgomery explained that while she believed it was a good idea to have professional support to look at all County expenses across the board; now is not the time to spend \$45,000 on just the Sheriff's Department when the economic status is filled with uncertainty. She believed they could find efficiencies within their department. She stated that she looked forward to examining all the departments across the board to find efficiencies at some time in the future.

Legislator Sayegh stated that she supports having the Bonadio Group assess the efficiencies of the Sheriff's Department. She believed that was always a good time to look at finances to see where you could do better. She believed that the Sheriff's Department budget was one (1) of the largest in the County and it was a great place to start. She explained that this was done previously at our Department of Social Services.

RESOLUTION #215

APPROVAL/ FUND TRANSFER/ COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE/ CONSULTING SERVICES /REVIEW OF SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Finance has requested a fund transfer (20T243) to cover consulting services performed by Bonadio & Co., LLP for administrative review of the Sheriff's Department; and

WHEREAS, the Protective Services Committee and the Audit & Administration Committee has reviewed and approved said fund transfer; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the following fund transfer be made:

Decrease:

10199000 54980	Contingency	45,000
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Increase:

10131000 54646	Contracts	45,000
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2020 Fiscal Impact 45,000

20201 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. ONE NAY – LEGISLATOR MONTGOMERY. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6f – Approval/ Fund Transfer (20T244)/ Emergency Services/ Dispatcher Overtime was next. On behalf of the members of the Protective Services Committee, Legislators Nacerino and Sullivan, Legislator Jonke moved the following:

RESOLUTION #216

APPROVAL/ FUND TRANSFER / EMERGENCY SERVICES/ DISPATCHER OVERTIME

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Bureau of Emergency Services has requested a fund transfer (20T244) to cover Dispatcher Overtime incurred due to vacancies; and

WHEREAS, the Protective Services Committee and the Audit & Administration Committee have reviewed and approved said fund transfer; now therefore be it **RESOLVED**, that the following fund transfer be made:

Decrease:

13398900 51000 12109	Dispatcher Vacancy	22,000
13398900 51000 12112	Dispatcher	<u>15,000</u>
		37,000

Increase:

13398900 51093	Dispatch Overtime	37,000
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2020 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

2021 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**HEALTH, SOCIAL, EDUCATIONAL & ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE
(Chairwoman Sayegh, Legislator Addonizio & Albano)**

Item #6g – Approval/ Grant Application/ Office of Senior Resources/ Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) Grant was next. Chairwoman Addonizio recognized Legislator Sayegh, Chairwoman of the Health, Social, Educational & Environmental Committee. On behalf of the members of the Committee, Legislators Addonizio and Albano, Legislator Sayegh moved the following:

Legislator Sayegh stated that the key objective of the remote programing is to combat socialized isolation which is especially of major concern during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Legislator Nacerino applauded all of the RSVP volunteers that work hard to help our seniors. She stated that this is a wonderful program.

Chairwoman Addonizio stated that our volunteers in Putnam County are indispensable. She stated that the County partners with over 60 agencies and nonprofits to improve the quality of life for our seniors. She stated that there is an annual awards ceremony, that she has attended, which honors all of the RSVP volunteers. She explained that this program has saved the County a large amount of money.

Legislator Sullivan wished the seniors a Merry Christmas. He stated that at this time of year we usually get to see them at the Senior Center parties. He explained that the Senior of the Year Award event was last week was very nice, however, we miss having all the seniors around and seeing their smiling faces.

RESOLUTION #217

APPROVAL/ GRANT APPLICATION/ OFFICE OF SENIOR RESOURCES/ RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM (RSVP) GRANT

WHEREAS, the Director of the Office of Senior Resources has requested permission to apply for a one-time augmentation of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) Grant in the amount of \$5,000 offered by AmeriCorps Seniors; and

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps Seniors encourages all RSVP grantees to use these funds to address service challenges as a result of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Director of the Office of Senior Resources to purchase tablets to be used by RSVP volunteers and seniors to support remote social, educational, health and exercise programs; and

WHEREAS, the Health, Social, Educational & Environmental Committee has reviewed and approved of this request; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Office of Senior Resources is authorized to apply for a one-time augmentation of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) Grant in the amount of \$5,000.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item #6h – Approval/ Support for State Legislation Addressing Suicide Prevention known as “Nicole’s Law” was next. On behalf of the members of the Health, Social, Educational & Environmental Committee, Legislators Addonizio and Albano, Legislator Sayegh moved the following:

Legislator Sayegh read excerpts from the resolution and explained that the law was named after Nicole, who lost her life to suicide.

Chairwoman Addonizio stated that intake and discharge procedures are crucial for diagnosis and recovery. She stated that reforming hospital procedures will help with suicide prevention moving forward.

RESOLUTION #218

APPROVAL/SUPPORT FOR STATE LEGISLATION ADDRESSING SUICIDE PREVENTION KNOWN AS “NICOLE’S LAW.”

WHEREAS, suicide is a unique public-health epidemic due to multiple root causes, which create many challenges to prevention; and

WHEREAS, suicide is the only leading cause of death in America whose rates continue to increase; and

WHEREAS, a recent report released by Governor Andrew Cuomo's Suicide Prevention Task Force details how the rates of suicide in New York State are actually outpacing the national trend, with state suicide rates increasing 29.1 % from 1999 to 2016; and

WHEREAS, New York State legislative bills S6629 and A9535 have been introduced to enact "Nicole's Law," which is designed to advance suicide prevention by reforming hospital procedures involving the most vulnerable patients who have multiple episodes of self-inflicted life-threatening injuries (classified as a suicide-attempt, drug-overdose or self-injury); and

WHEREAS, Nicole's Law would create a "red flag" practice for vulnerable patients whereby if a family member or caretaker informs care providers that the patient has had multiple incidents of self-inflicted life-threatening injuries, the provider must obtain previous hospital records to verify the episode(s) and examine what precise treatment the patient previously received to ensure not to repeat practices which failed the patient leading to another episode of self-inflicted life-threatening injury; and

WHEREAS, Nicole's Law would also require enhanced discharge planning, including: 1) providing families and caretakers with resources on how to care for and monitor someone with a tendency towards self-inflicted life-threatening injuries; 2) connect patients to a community-based service provider; 3) give patients priority to access services; and 4) give patients a case-worker to monitor their progress for a specified time-period; and

WHEREAS, enactment of Nicole's Law is supported by NAMI-NYS, New York's state organization of the National Alliance on Mental Illness, the nation's largest grassroots organization for people with mental illness and their families; and

WHEREAS, on November 12, 2020, the Health, Social, Educational and Environmental Committee of the Putnam County Legislature voted unanimously to adopt and approve a resolution supporting enactment of Nicole's Law; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Executive and the Putnam County Legislature hereby call upon the New York State Legislature and Governor Cuomo to enact S6629/A9535 or other substantially similar bills that would enact the provisions of Nicole's Law; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Putnam County Legislature is hereby directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to Putnam County's representatives in the State Legislature as well as to the Governor and leadership of our State Legislature.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**PHYSICAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
(Chairman Albano, Legislators Gouldman & Nacerino)**

Item #6i – Approval/ Two (2) NYSEG Utility Easements/ Carmel Tax Map #64.14-1-8 (Airport Park Property) was next. Chairwoman Addonizio recognized Legislator Albano, Chairman of the Physical Services Committee. On behalf of the members of the Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Nacerino, Legislator Albano moved the following:

RESOLUTION #219

**APPROVAL/ TWO (2) NYSEG UTILITY EASEMENTS/ CARMEL TAX MAP # 64.14-1-8
(Airport Park Property)**

WHEREAS, the County is the fee owner of certain contiguous parcels of real property in the Town of Carmel, County of Putnam, and State of New York, which are designated as Town of Carmel Tax Map Numbers 64.6-1-22, 64.6-1-19, 64.9-1-22, 64.14-1-8, 64.18-1-1, 64.10-1-3 and 64.18-1-19; and

WHEREAS, by way of a Lease Agreement, dated December 30, 2005, the County leased a +/- 36 acre portion of the Property (located on Town of Carmel Tax Map Numbers 64.14-1-8 and 64.18-1-1) to the Town for permitted recreational activities (hereinafter the "Leased Premises"); and

WHEREAS, consistent with said Lease Agreement, the Town has undertaken the construction and maintenance of outdoor sports fields and other recreational improvements on the Leased Premises (hereinafter the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Project includes upgrading and reconfiguring electric service to the Leased Premises; and

WHEREAS, in connection with said electric service work, the Town and New York State Electric and Gas Corporation will upgrade/reconfigure the existing power supply lines and install a pad mounted transformer on the Property; and

WHEREAS, New York State Electric and Gas Corporation has furnished two (2) proposed utility easements, which provides New York State Electric and Gas Corporation the right to upgrade/reconfigure said existing power supply lines and install and maintain said pad mounted transformer; and

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Department of Highways and Facilities engineers have reviewed the two (2) proposed utility easements (copies of which are attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit "A"), and have determined same to be acceptable; and

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Attorney has reviewed and approved said proposed utility easements as to form; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Putnam County Legislature hereby approves and authorizes the subject utility easements in the form and content attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit "A"; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Executive is authorized to execute said utility easements on behalf of the County, which shall thereafter be recorded in the Putnam County Clerk's Office, Division of Land Records; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Attorney is authorized to take whatever legal action is necessary to effectuate said utility easements in the manner approved herein and as written; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item #6j – Authorization / Telecommunication Tower Agreement with EIP Communications I, LLC/ Town of Kent Tax Map #9.-1-1 (Long Hill Mountain) was next. On behalf of the members of the Physical Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Nacerino, Legislator Albano moved the following:

Legislator Albano stated that this is important for communications for Emergency Services and our first responders.

Legislator Nacerino stated that the County is merely piggybacking on this communications tower. She clarified that this was not a new tower.

RESOLUTION #220

AUTHORIZATION/TELECOMMUNICATION TOWER AGREEMENT WITH EIP COMMUNICATIONS I, LLC/TOWN OF KENT TAX MAP NO.: 9.-1-1

WHEREAS, EIP Communications I, LLC is the owner of a communications tower and related facilities located on the certain property designated and described as Town of Kent Tax Map Number 9.-1-1, which is also referred to as the “Long Hill Mountain Tower Site” (hereinafter the “Tower Facilities”); and

WHEREAS, the County of Putnam is desirous of occupying certain space at the Tower Facilities for the purposes of installing and maintaining emergency radio communication equipment, which is necessary to improve and optimize the County-wide wireless communications system for emergency services; and

WHEREAS, the County-wide wireless communications system is utilized by the Sheriff’s Department, the Bureau of Emergency Services, as well as numerous other County Departments and Putnam County based Fire/EMS Agencies; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive, with the advice and assistance of the County Attorney and the Director of IT/GIS, has entered into preliminary negotiations with EIP Communications I, LLC in order to occupy said space at the Tower Facilities; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 215 of the New York State County Law, the County Executive has requested that the Putnam County Legislature grant authorization for such Agreement; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 215 of the New York State County Law the Agreement with EIP Communications I, LLC for the County to occupy the certain space at the Tower Facilities is approved, as specified herein; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized, with the advice and the assistance of the County Attorney, to finalize and execute said Agreement with EIP Communications I, LLC, which Agreement which shall be in substantial conformance with the form attached hereto and made a part hereof as Schedule “A”; and be it further

RESOLVED, this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item #6k – Approval/ SEQRA/ Negative Declaration/ Fair Street (CR60) Reconstruction Project (PIN 8756.09) was next. On behalf of the members of the Physical Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Nacerino, Legislator Albano moved the following:

RESOLUTION #221

APPROVAL/ SEQRA / NEGATIVE DECLARATION/ FAIR STREET (CR 60) RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT (PIN 8756.09)

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Legislature is considering the approval of a Putnam County Highways and Facilities proposed project that involves the reconstruction of Fair Street (CR 60) from Route 52 to a point east of Hill and Dale Road, for a total project length of approximately 1.3 miles (the “Project”). Fair Street will be reconstructed to address the

deteriorated pavement structure, inadequate drainage, and safety deficiencies located along the roadway. The reconstructed roadway will closely approximate the existing roadway alignment. As part of the construction, the 3 culverts conveying Fair Street over Michael Brook and a tributary of Michael Brook will be replaced. The Project will also include construction of a sidewalk along the north side of the road from Route 52 to Hill and Dale Road, and a second sidewalk along the south side of the road from Route 52 to the Carmel High School. A left turn lane will be added on Fair Street at its Route 52 approach. A two-way left-turn lane (median) will be added from this left turn lane to Waring Drive. The Project will require the acquisition and demolition of one residential home directly east of Waring Drive in the area of the Michael Brook culvert; and

WHEREAS, the aforescribed proposed action is subject to review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”) and the Regulations promulgated thereunder (“SEQRA 6 NYCRR Part 617 *et seq*”); and

WHEREAS, on October 6, 2020, as part of Resolution #20-166, the County Legislature issued a Type I Action determination for the Project, and declared its intent to serve as Lead Agency with respect to SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, a Full Environmental Assessment form (EAF) was prepared for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the EAF and associated documentation was circulated to all involved and interested agencies for the requisite 30 days with a Notice of the Putnam County Legislature’s Intent to Serve as Lead Agency and no objections were received thereto; and

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Legislature, acting as Lead Agency, conducted a coordinated environmental review in accordance with 6 NYCRR §617.6, and

WHEREAS, based upon a careful review of the action as a whole, of the EAF, and the criteria set forth in 6 NYCRR §617.7(c), it has been determined that the proposed Project will not result in any potential significant adverse environmental impacts; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Legislature, as Lead Agency, determines that the Project will not have any potential significant adverse impacts and a Draft Environmental Impact Statement will not be prepared; and be it further

RESOLVED, that in accordance with 6 NYCRR Part 617 *et seq*, the Putnam County Legislature, as Lead Agency, hereby accepts and adopts the Negative Declaration prepared in connection with Fair Street (CR 60) Reconstruction Project, a copy of which is annexed hereto and made a part hereof; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item #6L – Approval/ Memorialization/ Support Metro-North Flat Fare Proposal was next. On behalf of the members of the Physical Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Nacerino, Legislator Albano moved the following:

Legislator Albano stated that he supports this resolution. He stated that the County spends a lot on the maintenance and there is also a payroll tax. He believed this would be a fair way for people who commute to New York City.

Legislator Jonke commended Neal Zuckerman, who is a Putnam County resident and the County’s representative on the MTA Board, for his proposal. He believed this would have

a positive impact on those residents who utilize Metro-North trains to commute to work. He supported Mr. Zuckerman's proposal.

Legislator Nacerino stated that she is also supportive of this resolution. She believed it was very costly to commute from Putnam County to New York City. She believed this would have a positive impact on people who are considering relocating to Putnam County who will need to commute to the city.

Legislator Castellano stated that this is a fantastic idea and he was glad that someone was looking outside of the box to solve problems. He stated that Metro-North is vital to the people of Putnam County. There are two (2) train stations on the eastside of the County that would benefit from this. He stated that the train yard is located in the Village of Brewster in the Town of Southeast and he believed this made incredible sense. He thanked Mr. Zuckerman and hoped that this would move forward.

Legislator Sullivan believed this was premature in the current environment. He believed a lot of this analysis was done pre-COVID-19. He stated that there is massive disruption of the MTA, the numbers of commuters that are actually utilizing the MTA system and the uncertainty that the MTA is looking at going forward. He stated that the money the County spends on the MTA is a lot and our stations are not in the best condition. He stated that the MTA has a massive deficit and there are no real numbers included in this analysis, or at least current numbers where we could say that given the decrease in ridership that we have seen over the last few months, we could justify any analysis that was done in the past. He stated that no one knows the future of the MTA and there are way too many unknowns and not enough information for him to endorse basically anything that would be proposed for the MTA tonight. He believed that the focus should be on the financial stability of the MTA. He was not sure if this was the correct way to address it. He believed this was an effort in futility to correct decades of mismanagement and terrible budgeting. He believed this would not really fix anything because the problem goes way beyond our ability. He stated that our MTA representative is a smart man and knows that this really means nothing. He stated that we need real fixes and serious corrections to the MTA.

Legislator Albano believed that the key here was not to cut money to the MTA but to spread the expenses fairly up and down the entire line. He stated that Putnam County pays a lot more because of our location in relationship to the city. He hoped this would possibly make it fairer and more equitable to everyone that utilizes the train; regardless of where they live.

Legislator Nacerino concurred with Legislator Albano. She believed this would have a direct impact on commuters if there is a fixed rate rather than paying \$6,000 per year to commute; offering them some relief.

Legislator Montgomery believed it was unfair to say that the MTA representative knows this means nothing. She stated that the problem is the government controls the MTA. She believed this was a great solution in taking care of the people and the ridership who have been at their mercy since the MTA began. She believed it was time to take care of their people and this was a great way to do it.

RESOLUTION #222

APPROVAL/ MEMORIALIZATION/ SUPPORT METRO-NORTH FLAT FARE PROPOSAL

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Legislature has received a proposed Alternate Pricing Model for the Metro-North Railroad (for East of Hudson Travel); and

WHEREAS, the said proposed Alternate Pricing Model was prepared and sent to the Legislature and County Executive Odell by Putnam County Representative to the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) Board, Neal Zuckerman; and

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Legislature has reviewed and supports the attached recommendations made by Putnam County MTA Board Representative Neal Zuckerman; and

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Legislature also supports Putnam County MTA Board Representative Neal Zuckerman's submission and presentation of the Alternate Pricing Model to the MTA Board; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Putnam County Legislature forward a copy of this resolution to New York Metropolitan Transportation Authority Chairman and CEO Patrick J. Foye.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE
(Chairwoman Nacerino, Legislators Jonke & Montgomery)

Item #6m – Approval/ Local Law Establishing the 2021 Salary of Certain Elected Officials Serving for Fixed Terms was next. Chairwoman Addonizio recognized Legislator Nacerino, Chairwoman of the Personnel Committee. On behalf of the members of the Committee, Legislators Jonke and Montgomery, Legislator Nacerino moved the following:

RESOLUTION #223

A LOCAL LAW ESTABLISHING THE 2021 SALARY OF CERTAIN ELECTED OFFICIALS SERVING FOR FIXED TERMS

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PUTNAM COUNTY LEGISLATURE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1.

Section 201 of the County Law and Municipal Home Rule Law requires that salary increases of fixed term officers shall be established by Local Law, subject to permissive referendum.

Section 2.

The annual salary of the hereinafter designated County Officers elected for a fixed term is hereby set the following amounts effective January 1, 2021:

MaryEllen Odell
Putnam County Executive.....\$166,125

Robert L. Langley Jr.

Putnam County Sheriff	\$156,492
Michael Bartolotti Putnam County Clerk.....	\$136,227
Carl L. Albano Putnam County Legislator.....	\$ 41,809
Joseph Castellano Putnam County Legislator.....	\$ 41,809
Paul E. Jonke Putnam County Legislator.....	\$ 41,809
Nancy Montgomery Putnam County Legislator.....	\$ 41,809
Virginia Nacerino Putnam County Legislator.....	\$ 41,809
Neal L. Sullivan Putnam County Legislator.....	\$ 41,809
John Bourges Putnam County Coroner.....	\$ 22,666
Michael Nesheiwat Putnam County Coroner.....	\$ 22,666
• Additional Stipend for Legislature Chairperson.....	\$ 10,452

Section 3.

THIS LOCAL LAW SHALL TAKE EFFECT FORTY-FIVE DAYS AFTER ITS PASSAGE AND IS SUBJECT TO PERMISSIVE REFERENDUM.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: SEVEN AYES. TWO NAYS – LEGISLATORS GOULDMAN & MONTGOMERY. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6n – Approval/ Local Law Establishing the 2021 Salaries of Certain Appointed Officers Serving for Fixed Terms was next. On behalf of the members of the Personnel Committee, Legislators Jonke and Montgomery, Legislator Nacerino moved the following:

RESOLUTION #224

A LOCAL LAW ESTABLISHING THE 2021 SALARIES OF CERTAIN APPOINTED OFFICERS SERVING FOR FIXED TERMS

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the County of Putnam as follows:

Section 1.

Section 201 of the County Law and Municipal Home Rule Law, Section 23, requires that certain salary increases of fixed term officers be established by Local Law, subject to permissive referendum.

Section 2.

The annual salaries of the hereinafter designated County Officers appointed for a fixed term are hereby set at the following amounts effective January 1, 2021:

Paul Eldridge..... Personnel Director	\$141,776
Michael Neshewait..... Commissioner of Health	\$190,383
Michael Piazza Commissioner of Social Services/Mental Health/Youth Bureau	\$151,139
Director of Real Property Tax Services.....	\$100,591
Anthony Scannapiecco Commissioner Board of Elections	\$ 95,956
Catherine Croft Commissioner Board of Elections	\$ 95,956
Diane Schonfeld..... Clerk of the Legislature	\$102,363
Michele Alfano-Sharkey..... County Auditor	\$115,094

Section 3.

THIS LOCAL LAW SHALL TAKE EFFECT FORTY-FIVE DAYS AFTER ITS PASSAGE AND IS SUBJECT TO PERMISSIVE REFERENDUM.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. ONE NAY – LEGISLATOR MONTGOMERY. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6o - Approval/ 2021 Salaries for Officers and Employees Paid from County Funds was next. On behalf of the members of the Personnel Committee, Legislators Jonke and Montgomery, Legislator Nacerino moved the following:

Legislator Nacerino explained that this approval of salaries for officers and employees includes all elected officials as well as the management positions throughout all County departments. She stated that there are approximately 170 employees which fall under

this umbrella. She stated that management employees are not part of a collective bargaining unit, receive no overtime or longevity stipends as our union employees. She stated that they work long and hard to keep the wheels of government turning each and every day; including those who reported to work during COVID-19 while others were able to work at home. She stated that each and everyone of them is deserving in their own right. She stated that to suggest that we separate the list would, in her opinion, create a divide and lean towards a perception of bias by cherry picking those who should be rewarded and who should not. She stated that she supported each and everyone of these employees and thanked them for their service to the people of Putnam County. She stated that she was proud to move this forward. She stated that anyone not in favor of the budgetary increase can certainly decline the increase by simply putting in writing to the Commissioner of Finance indicating such.

RESOLUTION #225

APPROVAL/ 2021 SALARIES FOR OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES PAID FROM COUNTY FUNDS

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Section 2.04 of the Putnam County Charter and Section 201 of the County Law, the Putnam County Legislature must fix by resolution the compensation of all officers and employees paid from County funds; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the salaries for fiscal year 2021 for all officers and employees, or their successors, who are not members of bargaining units or whose salaries are not required to be set by Local Law are hereby set at the amounts listed attached; and be it further

RESOLVED, that these employees will also be paid any benefits and/or receive incentive payments resulting from the Putnam County Flex Plan; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Finance is authorized to determine the method of pay out of monies as herein described.

2021 PERSONNEL SERVICES

<u>Org</u>	<u>Object</u>	<u>Pay Position</u>	<u>Pay Position Desc</u>	<u>2021 Adopted</u>
10101001	51000	101010101	LEGISLATOR	41,809.00
10101001	51000	101010102	LEGISLATOR	41,809.00
10101001	51000	101010103	LEGISLATOR	41,809.00
10101001	51000	101010104	LEGISLATOR	41,809.00
10101001	51000	101010105	LEGISLATOR	41,809.00
10101001	51000	101010106	LEGISLATOR	41,809.00
10101001	51000	101010107	LEGISLATOR	41,809.00

10101001	51000	101010108	LEGISLATOR	41,809.00
10101001	51000	101010109	LEGISLATOR	41,809.00
10101001	51000	101010110	CLERK TO LEGIS	102,363.00
10101001	51000	101010111	DEP CLERK TO LEGIS	82,707.00
10101001	51000	101010113	ADMIN ASST (LEGIS)	42,813.00
10101001	51000	101010114	ADMIN ASST (LEGIS)	50,306.00
10101001	51000	101010190	LEGISLATOR/CHAIRMAN	10,452.00
10116500	51000	116510101	DISTRICT ATTORNEY	202,800.00
10116500	51000	116510103	CHIEF ASST DIST ATTY	149,817.00
10116500	51000	116510104	ASST DISTRICT ATTY	88,418.00
10116500	51000	116510105	ASST DISTRICT ATTY	90,445.00
10116500	51000	116510108	ASST DISTRICT ATTY	70,000.00
10116500	51000	116510110	CRIM INVES (DA)	88,355.00
10116500	51000	116510111	ASST DISTRICT ATTY	67,061.00
10116500	51000	116510115	ASST DISTRICT ATTY	59,973.00
10116500	51000	116510122	SPEC VICTMS INV (DA)	72,835.00
10116500	51000	116510123	VICTIM/WITNESS ASST	34,041.00
10116500	51000	116510125	ASST DISTRICT ATTY	87,019.00
10116500	51000	116510126	ASST' DISTRICT ATTY	66,544.00
10116500	51000	116510128	FIRST ASST DISTRICT ATTY	122,661.00
10116500	51000	116510129	CH STAFF (DIST ATTY)	65,639.00
10118500	51000	118510101	CORONER	22,666.00

10118500	51000	118510102	CORONER	22,666.00
10118500	51000	118510103	CORONER	22,666.00
10118500	51000	118510104	CONF SEC TO CTY COR	42,998.00
10118500	51000	118510194	COORD OF CORONERS	12,000.00
10123000	51000	123010101	COUNTY EXECUTIVE	166,125.00
10123000	51000	123010102	DEP CNTY EXEC	33,297.00
10123000	51000	123010103	CHIEF OF STAFF (CEO)	81,265.00
10123000	51000	123010104	DIR CONSTITUENT SVCS	44,021.00
10123000	51000	123010106	CONF SEC-COUNTY EXEC	57,330.00
10131000	51000	131010101	COMM OF FINANCE	151,140.00
10131000	51000	131010102	CHIEF DEP COMM FINAN	122,850.00
10131000	51000	131010110	DEP COMM FINANCE	94,185.00
10131000	51000	131010116	PAYROLL MANAGER	76,781.00
10132000	51000	132010101	COUNTY AUDITOR	115,094.00
10132000	51000	132010102	AUDIT MANAGER	62,703.00
10132000	51000	132010103	DEP CNTY AUDITOR	94,726.00
10134500	51000	134510101	DIR PURCH&CTRL SVCES	125,921.00
10135500	51000	135510101	DIR REAL PRP TAX SVC	100,591.00
10141000	51000	141010101	COUNTY CLERK	136,227.00
10141000	51000	141010102	FIRST DEP CNTY CLERK	117,356.00
10141000	51000	141010104	CONF SEC-COUNTY CLK	58,763.00
10141100	51000	141110101	DEP CNTY CLERK	64,220.00

10141100	51000	141110103	DEP CNTY CLERK	85,000.00
10142000	51000	142010101	COUNTY ATTORNEY	149,846.00
10142000	51000	142010102	CONF SEC-COUNTY ATTY	60,000.00
10142000	51000	142010104	FIRST DEP CNTY ATTY	124,158.00
10142000	51000	142010105	SR DEP CNTY ATTY	100,591.00
10142000	51000	142010106	SR DEP CTY ATTY RISK	100,591.00
10142000	51000	142010109	SPEC ASST CTY ATTY	58,060.00
10142000	51000	142010110	RISK MANAGER	87,019.00
10142000	51000	142010112	SR DPTY COUNTY ATTOR	90,979.00
10142000	51000	142010114	DEP CTY ATTN INTERN	66,544.00
10142000	51000	398910115	SAFETY OFFICER	22,336.00
10143000	51000	143010101	PERSONNEL OFFICER	141,776.00
10143000	51000	143010103	PR PERSONNEL SPEC	80,869.00
10143000	51000	143010104	SR COORD EXAMS&TRANS	104,710.00
10143000	51000	143010105	CONF SECRETARY	63,347.00
10143000	51000	143010110	SR PERSONNEL SPEC	62,730.00
10143000	51000	143010111	DEPUTY PERSONNEL OFFICER	81,900.00
10143000	51000	143010112	PERSONNEL SPECIALIST (TRAINEE)	50,757.00
10143000	51000	143010105	CONF SECRETARY	2,355.00
10145000	51000	145010101	COMM OF ELECTIONS	95,956.00
10145000	51000	145010102	COMM OF ELECTIONS	95,956.00
10145000	51000	145010103	DEP COMM BD OF ELECT	86,690.00

10145000	51000	145010104	ELECTION SPECIALIST	63,034.00
10145000	51000	145010105	ELECTION SPECIALIST	63,034.00
10145000	51000	145010106	DEP COMM BD OF ELECT	86,690.00
10145000	51000	145010109	ELECTION SPECIALIST	63,034.00
10145000	51000	145010110	ELECTION SPECIALIST	57,361.00
10145000	51000	145010111	VOTING MCH TECH (PT)	30,081.00
10145000	51000	145010112	VOTING MCH TECH (PT)	30,081.00
10145000	51000	145010113	ELECTION SPECIALIST	63,034.00
10145000	51000	145010114	ELECTION SPECIALIST	63,034.00
10146000	51000	146010101	ASST RCDS MGMT OFCR	65,520.00
10146000	51000	141010101	RCDS RETENTION OFFCR	7,500.00
10149000	51000	149010101	COMM HWYS&FACILITIES	139,322.00
10149000	51000	149010102	SUPV PLAN & DESIGN	114,511.00
10149000	51000	149010104	PROJECT MANAGER	85,458.00
10149000	51000	149010105	FISCAL MANAGER	112,480.00
10149000	51000	149010106	SUPV CONSTR & MAINT	88,447.00
10149000	51000	149010109	CONF SEC HWY & FAC	48,675.00
10149000	51000	149010111	DEP COMM HWYS & FAC	106,575.00
10149000	51000	149010117	SENIOR ENGINEER	100,000.00
10149000	51000	149010122	SAFETY OFFICER	65,451.00
10149000	51000	149010123	FED FUNDED PROG MGR	77,951.00
10149000	51000	149010127	PROJECT MANAGER	70,000.00

10168000	51000	168010105	DATA SYSTEMS SPEC	53,235.00
10168000	51000	168010106	DIRECTOR OF IT / GIS	101,905.00
10168000	51000	168010111	IT SYSTEMS SPEC	55,657.00
10168000	51000	168010113	IT SYSTEM SPECIALIST	53,235.00
10311000	51000	311010101	SHERIFF	156,492.00
10311000	51000	311010102	UNDERSHERIFF	137,454.00
10311000	51000	311010103	ROAD PATROL CAPTAIN	130,083.00
10311000	51000	311010110	CONF SECRETARY	56,378.00
10311000	51000	311010114	CRIM INV CAPTAIN	130,083.00
10311000	51000	311010125	CHIEF OF STAFF (SHER	68,491.00
10311000	51000	311010127	OPERATIONS CAPT	130,083.00
10311000	51000	311010128	CIVIL BUREAU CAPT	130,083.00
10311000	51000	311010926	FISCAL MANAGER	90,000.00
17311000	51000	311017149	DEP SHERIFF LT	126,359.00
10314000	51000	314010101	PROBATN DIR II	128,557.00
10314000	51000	314010119	TREATMENT COURT COOR	57,572.00
10098000	51000	314011101	ATI PROGRAM WORKER	52,467.00
10331500	51000	314110101	STOP DWI PRGM ADMIN	12,516.00
10315000	51000	315010101	CORRECTION CAPTAIN	130,083.00
10315000	51000	315010106	CORRECTION LIEUT	126,359.00
10315000	51000	315010109	CORRECTION LIEUT	126,359.00
10398900	51000	398910101	COMM OF EMERG SVCES	56,193.00

10398900	51000	398910102	EMERG SVC COORD (PT)	4,384.00
10398900	51000	398910104	EMERG SVC COORD (PT)	4,384.00
10398900	51000	398910105	EMERG SVC COORD (PT)	4,384.00
10398900	51000	398910106	EMERG SVC COORD (PT)	4,384.00
10398900	51000	398910107	EMERG SVC COORD (PT)	4,384.00
10398900	51000	398910109	CONF SECRETARY	53,517.00
10398900	51000	398910112	DIR EMERG MED SERVS	71,663.00
10398900	51000	398910113	EMERG SVC COORD (PT)	4,384.00
10398900	51000	398910114	EMERG SVC COORD (PT)	4,384.00
10014000	51000	398910101	COMM OF EMERG SVCES	56,193.00
10014000	51000	398913103	DEP COMM EMERG SVCES EMERGENCY SERVICES	89,320.00
10014000	51000	398910115	DIRECTOR EMS EDUCATION	67,007.00
14398900	51000	398914101	COORDINATOR	58,000.00
10401000	51000	401010105	COMM OF HEALTH	190,383.00
10401000	51000	401010111	SR FISCAL MANAGER	120,803.00
12401000	51000	401012102	DIR ENVIR HLTH SVCES	125,921.00
10431000	51000	731010101	DEP COMM SS & MH	55,252.00
10431000	51000	731010107	FISCAL MANAGER	45,586.00
10431000	51000	731010108	COMM SOC SVCES & MH	30,228.00
10033000	51000	431013101	SPOA COORD-CHLDN SVC	89,063.00
10033000	51000	431013102	SPOA COORD - ADULT	84,859.00
10058000	51000	601005101	PRV COMM COORDINATOR	29,805.00

10102000	51000	601002101	DIR CHILD/FAM SVCES	123,516.00
10102000	51000	601303103	DIRECTOR CHILD ADVC PRG	43,786.00
10102000	51000	731010104	YOUTH DIRECTOR	16,962.00
10108000	51000	601008103	COORD CHILD SUPP ENF	71,763.00
10120000	51000	601004114	SOCIAL SERV ATTORNEY	96,746.00
10120000	51000	601020103	SOC SVCS ATTORNEY	115,636.00
10120000	51000	601020110	DIR ELIGIBILITY	95,583.00
10120000	51000	601020120	PARALEGAL	60,000.00
10120000	51000	731010101	DEP COMM SS & MH	55,252.00
10120000	51000	731010107	FISCAL MANAGER	62,680.00
10120000	51000	731010108	COMM SOC SVCES & MH	113,354.00
22070000	51000	601303103	DIRECTOR CHILD ADVC PRG	43,786.00
10641000	51000	641010101	DIRECTOR OF TOURISM	81,900.00
10651000	51000	651010101	COUNTY VET DIR	66,123.00
10651000	51000	651010106	VETERANS ASST (PT)	3,950.00
10651000	51000	651010108	DEP CNTY VETERAN DIR	48,908.00
10661000	51000	661010101	DIR CNS AFF/W&M/LIC	30,713.00
10661000	51000	661010104	SECR TO ELEC BOARD	45,116.00
10661000	51000	661010106	SECY TO PLUMB BOARD	45,116.00
10661000	51000	661010110	DIRECTOR OF CODE ENF	58,525.00
10661000	51000	661010111	CONF SECRETARY	45,179.00
10677200	51000	677210101	DIR OFFICE SR RESRC	101,223.00

10677200	51000	677210103	CONF SECRETARY	52,939.00
10677300	51000	677310101	PROJECT DIR RSVP	76,624.00
10677300	51000	677310105	SENIOR CENTER MGR	56,419.00
10677400	51000	677410101	NUT SVCES COOR/HD CK	69,579.00
10677700	51000	677710101	COORD SVCES AGING	90,892.00
10711000	51000	711010102	PARK SUPERINTENDENT	85,939.00
10731000	51000	731010101	DEP COMM SS & MH	12,278.00
10731000	51000	731010104	YOUTH DIRECTOR	67,849.00
10731000	51000	731010107	FISCAL MANAGER	5,698.00
10731000	51000	731010108	COMM SOC SVCES & MH	7,557.00
10751000	51000	751110101	COUNTY HISTORIAN - 25 HPW	1.00
10802000	51000	802010101	COMM OF PLN DEV&TRNS	125,402.00
10802000	51000	802010106	TRANSP PROGRAM MGR	102,921.00
10802000	51000	802010112	CONFIDENTIAL SECRETARY	50,000.00

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. ONE NAY – LEGISLATOR MONTGOMERY. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6p - Approval/Financial Disclosure List for the Year 2021 filing Recommended by the Putnam County Personnel Director Pursuant to Code Section 55-7 was next. On behalf of the members of the Personnel Committee, Legislators Jonke and Montgomery, Legislator Nacerino moved the following:

Legislator Montgomery explained that she previously questioned the County Executive's office and she wanted clarification that the public can have access to these financial disclosures which make sure there are no ethical issues.

Legislator Albano stated that we could get an answer to that.

Legislator Montgomery stated that she posed the question to the County Executive and the Director of Personnel a few days ago. She hoped to receive an answer to her questions.

Chairwoman Addonizio stated that Personnel Director Eldridge could probably answer that.

RESOLUTION #226

APPROVAL/FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE LIST FOR THE YEAR 2021 FILING RECOMMENDED BY THE PUTNAM COUNTY PERSONNEL DIRECTOR PURSUANT TO CODE SECTION 55-7

WHEREAS, Section 55-7 of the Code of Putnam County requires that the Legislature annually by resolution determine which officers and employees of Putnam County are required to comply with the disclosure requirements of Chapter 55 of the County's Code; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 55-7 of the Putnam County Code, the County Personnel Director has submitted his recommendations for officers and employees subject to the County's Financial Disclosure Reporting requirements indicating which officers and employees must file the Policy Form and which officers and employees must file the Advisory Form; and

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Legislature has reviewed and recommends the adoption of said recommendation of the Personnel Director; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Legislature hereby determines that those officers and employees of Putnam County delineated on the annexed list recommended by the Putnam County Director of Personnel are required to comply with the disclosure requirements contained in Chapter 55 of the Code of Putnam County by filing the designated disclosure form as contained in the recommendation.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

RULES, ENACTMENTS & INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE (Chairman Sullivan, Legislators Albano & Castellano)

Item #6q – Approval/ Appointment/ Putnam County Veterans Affairs Director as the Veteran Indigent Burial Designee for Putnam County was next. Chairwoman Addonizio recognized Legislator Sullivan, Chairman of the Rules, Enactments & Intergovernmental Relations Committee. On behalf of the members of the Committee, Legislators Albano and Castellano, Legislator Sullivan moved the following:

Legislator Sullivan stated that the Putnam County Veterans Affairs Director Karl Rohde continues to serve his Country, County and his brothers and sisters in arms.

Legislator Nacerino concurred and was proud to support this.

RESOLUTION #227

APPROVAL/ APPOINTMENT/ PUTNAM COUNTY VETERANS AFFAIRS DIRECTOR AS THE VETERAN INDIGENT BURIAL DESIGNEE FOR PUTNAM COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Legislature is required to appoint an appropriate designee to arrange and/or pay for indigent burials and headstones relative to Veterans pursuant to New York State General Municipal Law Section 148; and

WHEREAS, said designee shall be responsible for compiling an annual report to the Putnam County Legislature that encompasses the mandates of General Municipal Law Section 148(3); now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Legislature hereby appoints the Putnam County Veteran Affairs Director as the Veteran Indigent Burial Designee for the County of Putnam; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this appointment comply with any requirements to file an Oath of Office pursuant to the New York State Public Officers Law.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item #6r – Approval/ Re-appointments/ Putnam County Home Improvement Board was next. On behalf of the members of the Rules, Enactments & Intergovernmental Relations Committee, Legislators Albano and Castellano, Legislator Sullivan moved the following:

Legislator Sullivan thanked all the volunteers who support the County.

RESOLUTION #228

APPROVAL/ RE-APPOINTMENTS/ PUTNAM COUNTY HOME IMPROVEMENT BOARD

RESOLVED, that the following be re-appointed to the Putnam County Home Improvement Board:

Maria Catherine Donovan, Town of Carmel, as a Citizen Representative, for a two (2) year term, said term to expire December 31, 2022.

Peter Joseph Domin, Town of Southeast, as a Citizen Representative, for a two (2) year term, said term to expire December 31, 2022.

Michael Porcelli, Town of Carmel, as a Contractor, for a two (2) year term, said term to expire December 31, 2022.

John Morrison, Town of Carmel, as a Tradesman, for a two (2) year term, said term to expire December 31, 2022.

And be it further

RESOLVED, that these re-appointments comply with any requirements to file an Oath of Office pursuant to the New York State Public Officers Law.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item #6s – Approval/ Contract/ Legislative Counsel was next. On behalf of the members of the Rules, Enactments & Intergovernmental Relations Committee, Legislators Albano and Castellano, Legislator Sullivan moved the following:

Legislator Nacerino stated that she was proud to support the approval of this contract. She explained that she was Chairwoman of the Legislature when we interviewed for this position and he was head and shoulders above all the candidates. She stated that Legislative Counsel Firriolo has proven to be effective, knowledgeable, calm and has a professional demeanor at all times.

Legislator Albano stated that it was an honor to work with such a professional and he appreciates all the work that he does.

Legislator Jonke thanked Legislative Counsel Firriolo for his diligence and extraordinary work on behalf of the Legislators. He stated that Legislative Counsel Firriolo does a great job and he was happy to support this.

Legislator Sayegh echoed all the sentiments. She believed that Legislative Counsel Firriolo does a great job supporting the Legislature in crafting laws, resolutions, and guiding the Legislature on procedures throughout the meetings; making them more efficient. She believed having a contract for Counsel was a great way to do business, saving taxpayer's money, instead of having a full-time employee. She thanked Legislative Counsel Firriolo for his support.

Legislator Sullivan concurred. He stated that Legislative Counsel Firriolo does a terrific job for the Legislature and he was very appreciative of all that he does.

Chairwoman Addonizio stated that she totally supports Legislative Counsel Firriolo. She stated that he represents the Legislature with professionalism, knowledge and expertise.

RESOLUTION #229

APPROVAL/ CONTRACT / LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL

WHEREAS, on September 22, 2017, Putnam County issued a Request for Proposal for legislative counsel for the Putnam County Legislature; and

WHEREAS, after review of the one proposal submitted in response to the Request for Proposal the Legislature recommended contracting with Boutin & Altieri, P.L.L.C. for personal services, encompassed in the terms as specified in the Request for Proposal; and

WHEREAS, the term of the agreement was for one (1) year commencing January 1, 2018 and may be renewed for three (3) consecutive one (1) year periods; and

WHEREAS, in 2018 the firm name changed to Altieri & Firriolo, P.L.L.C.; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Legislature designates Altieri & Firriolo, P.L.L.C. for outside services encompassing the terms as specified in the Request for Proposal for a price not to exceed \$80,000 for the year 2021; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the contract term shall run from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021.

**BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. ONE NAY – LEGISLATOR MONTGOMERY.
MOTION CARRIES.**

Item #6t – Approval/ Formation of and Appointments to the Charter Review Commission was next. On behalf of the members of the Rules, Enactments & Intergovernmental Relations Committee, Legislators Albano and Castellano, Legislator Sullivan moved the following:

Legislator Montgomery stated that there is nothing that indicates when or how additional members will be added to the Commission. She believed it did a great disservice to the towns that we serve by not including representation from the communities we serve, along with no representation from the minority member; much like the Police Policy Review Panel.

Legislator Albano stated that any changes to the Charter will be voted on by all the Legislators. He stated that, at that time, all Legislators will have input.

Legislator Sayegh stated that it was her understanding the town and County were two (2) separate governments, with two (2) separate Charters. She explained that this pertains to the County Charter. She stated that representation is provided by input from all nine (9) Legislators in all nine (9) Legislative Districts across the entire County of Putnam. She did not believe this was a partisan issue.

Legislator Montgomery stated that towns do not have Charters. She stated that when we created the County it was through receiving input from the leadership of the towns.

Legislator Sayegh clarified that it was from nine (9) Town Supervisors which was changed to Legislators.

Chairwoman Addonizio believed there would be ample time and opportunity for all the towns to be involved in the process.

RESOLUTION #230

APPROVAL/ FORMATION OF AND APPOINTMENTS TO THE CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION

WHEREAS, Putnam County Charter § 15.06 states that starting in the year 2000, the Putnam County Legislature shall appoint a Charter Revision Commission to review the Putnam County Charter and make recommendations for revisions thereof at intervals of not less than ten years; and

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Legislature appointed Charter Review Commissions that conducted reviews in the years 2000-2001 and again in 2010-11; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that in accordance with Charter § 15.06, a Charter Review Commission is hereby appointed by the Putnam County Legislature to review and make recommendations for revisions thereof; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the following be appointed as initial members of the Commission:

1. The Chair of the Putnam County Legislature;
2. The Chair of the Rules, Enactments and Intergovernmental Relations Committee of the Putnam County Legislature;
3. Legislative Counsel; and
4. The Putnam County Attorney

This Resolution has no fiscal impact upon the County of Putnam.

**BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. ONE NAY – LEGISLATOR MONTGOMERY.
MOTION CARRIES.**

Item #6u – Approval/ Commence Litigation/ Liberty Mutual Insurance Company was next. On behalf of the members of the Rules, Enactments & Intergovernmental Relations Committee, Legislators Albano and Castellano, Legislator Sullivan moved the following:

RESOLUTION #231

APPROVAL/ COMMENCE LITIGATION/ LIBERTY MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY

WHEREAS, the County Executive, County Attorney, Putnam County Highway Commissioner and Outside Counsel have sought authorization to commence litigation against Liberty Mutual Insurance Company in connection with the A. Servidone Inc./B. Anthony Construction Corp. breach of contract claim; and

WHEREAS, the recommendation to commence litigation has been reviewed and approved by the Rules, Enactments & Intergovernmental Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature concurs with the recommendation of all parties mentioned above; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Legislature authorizes the County Attorney to commence litigation on behalf of the County of Putnam against Liberty Mutual Insurance Company in connection with the A. Servidone/B. Anthony Construction Corp. project and all necessary parties.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**AUDIT & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE
(Chairman Castellano, Legislators Gouldman & Sayegh)**

Item #6v – Approval/ Fund Transfer (20T271)/ Health Department/ COVID-19 Overtime was next. Chairwoman Addonizio recognized Legislator Castellano, Chairman of the Audit & Administration Committee. On behalf of the members of the Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Sayegh, Legislator Castellano moved the following:

RESOLUTION #232

APPROVAL/ FUND TRANSFER/ HEALTH DEPARTMENT/ COVID-19 OVERTIME

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Health has requested a fund transfer (20T271) to cover Overtime costs in the Nursing Division, specifically the nurses involved in case investigation, due to the overwhelming increase in COVID-19 cases in Putnam County; and

WHEREAS, the Audit & Administration Committee has reviewed and approved said fund transfer; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the following fund transfer be made:

Decrease:

26401001 51094 10160	Epidemiology & Laboratory Capacity (ELC) COVID-19 Temporary	30,000
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Increase:

26401001 51093 10160	Epidemiology & Laboratory Capacity (ELC) COVID-19 Overtime	30,000
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2020 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

2021 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item #6w – Approval/Semi-Annual Mortgage Tax Report/April 1, 2020 through September 30, 2020 was next. On behalf of the members of the Audit & Administration Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Sayegh, Legislator Castellano moved the following:

RESOLUTION #233

APPROVAL/SEMI-ANNUAL MORTGAGE TAX REPORT/ APRIL 1, 2020 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2020

WHEREAS, upon receipt of approval of the Semi-Annual Report showing the amounts to be credited to each district of the County of the money collected during the period April 1, 2020 through September 30, 2020 from the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance, the Putnam County Audit and Administration Committee reviewed and hereby forwards same to the Putnam County Legislature; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 261 of the Tax Law, the Putnam County Legislature issues tax warrants for the payment to the respective districts of the amounts so credited and authorizes and directs the Commissioner of Finance to make a payment of said amounts to the respective district in accordance with the report as follows:

Town of Carmel	\$ 705,589.05
Town of Kent	176,981.83
Town of Patterson	174,497.21
Town of Philipstown	

	Village of Cold Spring	15,460.50
	Village of Nelsonville	4,349.98
	Town Outside	185,409.80
Town of Putnam Valley		225,114.12
Town of Southeast		
	Village of Brewster	10,551.43
	Town Outside	<u>318,375.12</u>
Total		\$1,816,329.04

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item #7 – Other Business

There was no other business submitted to the meeting.

Item #8 – Recognition of Legislators

Legislator Albano wished everyone a blessed holiday season.

Legislator Sayegh hoped that everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving. She stated that the Saturday after Thanksgiving is “Small Business Saturday.” She stated that she started her Christmas shopping by supporting our local businesses. She stated that today is “Giving Tuesday.” She explained that it is a time to give back to our not-for-profits in our community that do so much for our friends and neighbors. She explained that the not-for-profits are suffering especially this year during the COVID-19 pandemic. She stated that many fundraisers have been cancelled and many churches have lost attendance. She encouraged people to support those causes that support our community.

Legislator Gouldman stated that small businesses are struggling throughout our area and he encouraged everyone to support them especially during the holiday season. He stated that he was honored to give one (1) of the Senior of the Year Awards to a Putnam Valley resident, Ron Cummings. He explained how Mr. Cummings has volunteered his time to many organizations such as; the Putnam Valley Fire Department, the Putnam Valley Ambulance Corps., and the Putnam County Traffic Safety Board. Legislator Gouldman also informed Putnam County students that they can apply for a paid or unpaid summer internship through the County’s PILOT (Putnam Invests in Leaders of Tomorrow) Program. He explained that information regarding this program can be found on the County’s website. He also stated that the holiday season often brings stress and depression to many of our neighbors. He encouraged individuals who may need a hand to reach out to others who can help.

Legislator Jonke wished everyone a happy and safe holiday season. He stated that he also wanted to remember former Legislator Terry Intrary who passed away in October. He stated that he started as a Sheriff’s Deputy and then went to the Carmel Police Department.

He stated that after he left the Legislature he served as the Inspector General under Sheriff Donald B. Smith. He stated that Terry Intrary was truly, “one of the good guys” and he will be missed by Putnam County.

Legislator Nacerino concurred that Terry Intrary was “one of Putnam’s finest” and will be sorely missed. She also wished everyone a healthy and happy holiday season.

Legislator Sullivan stated that we have seen a recent uptick in COVID-19 cases and believed the duration of the pandemic was much longer than any of us initially thought. He thanked the Health Department and all those who been working diligently to take care of the residents of Putnam County. He stated that we are truly appreciative for everything they have done. He wanted to also thank Nuvance and Putnam Hospital Center for setting up a testing facility. He stated that Deputy County Executive Feighery met with Nuvance at Clock Tower Commons to discuss setting up a new testing site. He hoped that in the future, when the vaccinations are available, it could become a vaccination site in the County. He also wished everyone a happy holiday and New Year.

Legislator Montgomery explained that she wanted the public to know her efforts in trying to get answers from the County Executive and the Health Department due to the growing number of questions she is receiving from her constituents and Superintendents of schools. She stated that they want to know what we, as a County government, are doing and what measurable actions we are taking to keep our schools and economy open. She explained that there is growing anxiety due to the large-scale outbreaks of COVID-19. She stated that her questions are not answered to the level of detail necessary to appease the public. She explained that she has been doing research and speaking with State officials and other counties to see the possibility of Putnam County having Rapid Testing Mobile Units. She believed that it was quite easy to do and was not very expensive. She explained that she has brought questions forth to the County Executive and the Health Department about ID Lab Machines and how to access them. She stated that Ulster County has accessed these machines. She stated that it was unfortunate that we were spending money elsewhere in the County and not where it is really critical to keep our economy open. She explained that she will continue her efforts in trying to get answers despite the fact that some feel it’s a burden to ask questions. She wished everyone a happy holiday.

Legislator Nacerino stated that the Health Department is in constant communication with all the school districts, so she was not sure how any school superintendent or administration was in the dark. She stated that she worked for Brewster Central Schools and she is in contact with people who still work there, and they have been apprised accordingly.

Legislator Albano that it was fortunate that the other eight (8) Legislators do not have the same issues. He believed that the Health Department was doing a tremendous job. He stated that there are certain things that have no definitive answers. He stated that we need to proceed slowly. He stated that the Health Department is doing an amazing job, and to be overwhelmed with questions that in some cases don’t have definite answers, he believed was unproductive. He stated that we look to the Governor for answers and obviously that is not a perfect situation either.

Legislator Montgomery explained that she still needed to address the questions that have no definitive answers. She read the questions from her memo and did not understand why

they did not have definitive answers. She believed that they would be “yes” or “no” answers.

Legislator Sayegh stated that all the Legislators saw Legislator Montgomery’s list of questions. She believed that the County Executive would address her questions. She believed that the County and the Health Department were doing a fantastic job during this pandemic. She stated that schools are mandated by the Department of Education; not the County. She believed that some of her questions needed to be addressed by New York State and she explained that the County’s Health Department is required to work within the State’s mandates. She explained that the County has been trying to get a testing facility in Putnam County since March and has worked through both State Legislators to do so.

Legislator Sullivan explained the tremendous job the Health Department was doing and the process for getting information.

Chairwoman Addonizio stated that Putnam County is asking New York State to provide more specific data as the COVID-19 positivity rates have been increasing. She stated that the County is working with the State to get this specific data information; pushing them to provide us with the town or zip code breakdown.

There being no further business, at 8:18 P.M., Chairwoman Addonizio made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Legislator Albano. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted by Diane Schonfeld, Clerk.