

**REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
PUTNAM COUNTY LEGISLATURE
HELD IN THE
HISTORIC COURTHOUSE
CARMEL, NEW YORK 10512**

Tuesday

March 5, 2019

7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Chairman Castellano who requested that Legislator Sullivan lead in the Pledge of Allegiance and Legislator Albano in the Legislative Prayer. Upon roll call, Legislators Montgomery, Addonizio, Nacerino, Albano, Jonke, Sayegh, Sullivan and Chairman Castellano were present. Legislator Gouldman was absent. Also present was Legislative Counsel Firriolo.

Item #4 – Approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting – February 5, 2019

The minutes were approved as submitted.

Item #5 – Correspondence
a) County Auditor

There was no activity during this reporting period.

Item #6 – Pre-filed resolutions:

**PROTECTIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE
(Chairman Jonke, Legislators Nacerino & Sullivan)**

Item #6a – Approval/Budgetary Amendment (19A020)/ Sheriff’s Department/Use of T-Commission Funds was next. Chairman Castellano recognized Legislator Jonke, Chairman of the Protective Services Committee. On behalf of the members of the Committee, Legislators Nacerino and Sullivan, Legislator Jonke moved the following:

RESOLUTION #43

APPROVAL/BUDGETARY AMENDMENT/ SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT/ USE OF T-COMMISSION FUNDS

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Sheriff has requested a budgetary amendment (19A020) to utilize T-Commission Funds to purchase a Law Enforcement Policy Manual and Support Package from Lexipol, LLC for use in the Sheriff’s Office and Correctional Facility; and

WHEREAS, the Law Enforcement Policy Manual and Daily Training Bulletins from Lexipol for \$17,592 was approved by the Audit & Administration Committee and signed by the Chairman of said Committee via Fund Transfer (19T018); and

WHEREAS, the cost of the support Software package of \$20,852 will be covered by utilizing \$19,803 T-Commission Funds and \$1,049.95 from the Sheriff’s budget line #10315000 54782; and

WHEREAS, the Protective Services Committee and the Audit & Administration Committee have reviewed and approve said budgetary amendment; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the following budgetary amendment be made:

Increase Revenue:		
10315000 426605	Jail – Inmate T-Comm Use of Reserve	19,803
Increase Expenses:		
10315000 54782	Jail – Software Accessories	19,803
	2019 Fiscal Impact – 0 –	
	2020 Fiscal Impact \$20,055	

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR GOULDMAN WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6b – Approval/2019 STOP DWI Plan was next. On behalf of the members of the Protective Services Committee, Legislators Nacerino and Sullivan, Legislator Jonke moved the following:

RESOLUTION #44

APPROVAL/2019 STOP DWI PLAN

WHEREAS, the STOP-DWI Coordinator has submitted his 2019 STOP-DWI Plan, and
WHEREAS, the Plan has been reviewed and approved by the Protective Services Committee; and
WHEREAS, the Putnam County Legislature has reviewed the 2019 STOP DWI Plan; and
WHEREAS, the Putnam County Legislature recommends its adoption as proposed by the STOP DWI Coordinator; now therefore be it
RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Legislature hereby accepts and approves the 2019 STOP DWI Plan as per the attached:

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR GOULDMAN WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6c – Approval/Confirmation/ Appointments/ Putnam County Emergency Services Safety Advisory Board was next. On behalf of the members of the Protective Services Committee, Legislators Nacerino and Sullivan, Legislator Jonke moved the following:

Legislator Montgomery questioned how many members were on the Advisory Board and is each municipality represented.

Legislator Jonke stated that he did not know the exact number of board members, however, they are individuals from all over the County.

RESOLUTION #45

APPROVAL/CONFIRMATION/ APPOINTMENTS/ PUTNAM COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES SAFETY ADVISORY BOARD

WHEREAS, Section 25-38 of the Putnam County Code provides for the appointment of members to the Putnam County Emergency Services Safety Advisory Board by the County Executive subject to confirmation by the Putnam County Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive has appointed the following:

Patti Frische, Emergency Medical Services Council Representative for a three (3) year term, said term to expire December 31, 2021.

Fran McCarthy, Putnam County Community Representative, for a three (3) year term, said term to expire December 31, 2021.

Kevin Neary, Chief's Association Representative, for a three (3) year term, said term to expire December 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Protective Services Committee of the Putnam County Legislature has reviewed and approved said appointments; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Legislature hereby confirms the appointments of Patti Frische, Fran McCarthy and Kevin Neary to the Putnam County Emergency Services Safety Advisory Board; and be it further

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

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR GOULDMAN WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE
(Chairwoman Nacerino, Legislators Jonke & Montgomery)**

Item #6d - Approval/Fund Transfer (19T020)/Youth Bureau/Temporary was next. Chairman Castellano 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 #46

APPROVAL/FUND TRANSFER /YOUTH BUREAU/TEMPORARY

WHEREAS, the Youth Bureau has requested a fund transfer (19T020) to cover salary for staff that is filling in while staff member is on maternity leave; and

WHEREAS, the Personnel Committee, the Health, Social, Educational & Environmental Committee and the Audit & Administration Committee have reviewed and approve said fund transfer; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the following fund transfer be made:

Decrease:

10731000 51000 10114

(731013103)	Personnel	5,100.00
10087000 51000		
(731013103)	Personnel	3,400.00
10087000 58002	FICA	<u>260.10</u>
		8,760.10

Increase:		
10731000 51094 10114	Temporary	8,500.00
10731000 58002 10114	FICA	<u>260.10</u>
		8,760.10

2019 Fiscal Impact – 0 –
2020 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR GOULDMAN WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6e – Approval/ Budgetary Transfer (19T022)/Office of Senior Resources/Combine 2 Part Time CDL Driver Positions into 1 Full Time Driver Position was next. On behalf of the members of the Personnel Committee, Legislators Jonke and Montgomery, Legislator Nacerino moved the following:

Legislator Nacerino stated that this will improve efficiencies, avoid a disruption of services and better serve our seniors.

RESOLUTION #47

APPROVAL/ BUDGETARY TRANSFER /OFFICE OF SENIOR RESOURCES/COMBINE 2 PART TIME CDL DRIVER POSITIONS INTO 1 FULL TIME DRIVER POSITION

WHEREAS, the Director of Office for Senior Resources has requested a budgetary transfer (19T022) to Combine Two (2) Part Time CDL Driver positions into One (1) Full Time Driver Position; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Office for Senior Resources will eliminate one (1) Part Time 25 hour per week CDL Driver position, budget line #677411102 at a salary of \$27,334; and

WHEREAS, the second Part Time CDL Driver position, budget line #677411101 will be increased by \$10,934 to create a Full time CDL Driver position of \$38,268 effective March 6, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Personnel Committee, the Health, Social, Educational & Environmental Committee and the Audit & Administration Committee have reviewed and approve said budgetary transfer; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the following budgetary transfer be made:

Increase Estimated Appropriations:

10677400 51000 10142 (101)	Personal Serv. CDL Driver F/T	10,934
10677400 58008 10142	Health Insurance	20,267
10677400 51093 10142	Overtime	250
10677200 51091	Pay Differential	1,000
10677200 58002	FICA	<u>77</u>

32,528

Decrease Estimated Appropriations:

10677400 51000 10142 (102)	Personal Serv. CDL Driver P/T	27,334
10677400 58001 10142	Retirement	1,082
10677400 58002 10142	FICA	1,235
10677400 58004 10142	Workers Comp	260
10677400 58009 10142	Vision	242
10677400 51000 (109)	Personal Services	<u>2,375</u>
		32,528

2019 Fiscal Impact – 0 –
2020 Fiscal Impact - Undetermined

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR GOULDMAN WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6f – Approval/Highways & Facilities/ Budgetary Transfer (19T016)/ Re-classify Positions / was next. On behalf of the members of the Personnel Committee, Legislators Jonke and Montgomery, Legislator Nacerino moved the following:

RESOLUTION #48

APPROVAL/HIGHWAYS & FACILITIES/ RE-CLASSIFY POSITIONS

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Highways & Facilities Fred Pena has requested budgetary transfer (19T026) for the reclassification of three (3) positions in his Department to acknowledge work that is currently being performed by the incumbents of these positions and create greater flexibility and backup for other existing staff; and

WHEREAS, the Personnel Committee and the Audit & Administration Committee have reviewed and approve said budgetary transfer; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that three (3) positions in the Highways & Facilities Department be Eliminated and Reclassified as follows:

Budget Line:	Positions:	Salary:
511110117	Maintenance Worker (eliminated as of 3/06/19 & Reclassified as HVAC Technician)	47,544
511110121	HVAC Technician (Reclassification effective 3/06/19)	52,931
511110118	Maintenance Worker (eliminated as of 3/06/19 & Reclassified as Maintenance Electrician)	47,544
511110120	Maintenance Electrician (Reclassification effective 3/06/19)	56,881
511010113	RMEO II (eliminated as of 3/06/19 & Reclassified as Assistant Maintenance Mason II)	55,612
511010145	Assistant Maintenance Mason II	60,516

(Reclassification effective 3/06/19)

And be it further

RESOLVED, that the following budgetary transfer be made:

GENERAL FUND:

Increase Estimated Appropriations:

10511100 51000 (120)	Personal Serv. (Maint Electrician)	7,780
10511100 51000 (121)	Personal Serv. (HVAC Technician)	<u>4,480</u>
		12,260

Decrease Estimated Appropriations:

10511100 51000 (102)	Personal Serv. (Master Mechanic I)	12,260
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ROAD FUND:

Increase Estimated Appropriations:

10511000 51000 (145)	Personal Serv. (Asst Maint Mason II)	4,080
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Decrease Estimated Appropriations:

10511000 51000 (135)	Personal Serv. (RMEO I)	4,080
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2019 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

2020 Fiscal Impact – not determined

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR GOULDMAN WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6g – Approval/ Confirmation/ Appointment/ County Attorney was next. On behalf of the members of the Personnel Committee, Legislators Jonke and Montgomery, Legislator Nacerino moved the following:

RESOLUTION #49

APPROVAL/CONFIRMATION/ APPOINTMENT/ COUNTY ATTORNEY

WHEREAS, County Executive MaryEllen Odell has appointed Jennifer S. Bumgarner as County Attorney pursuant to Section 8.01 of the Putnam County Charter; and

WHEREAS, Jennifer S. Bumgarner possesses the requisite knowledge, experience and qualifications to serve as County Attorney for the County of Putnam; and

WHEREAS, the Personnel Committee of the Putnam County Legislature considered and approved this appointment; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Legislature hereby confirms the appointment of Jennifer S. Bumgarner, Esq. as the County Attorney for the County of Putnam, pursuant to Article 8, Section 8.01 of the Putnam County Charter; and be it further

RESOLVED, that Jennifer S. Bumgarner shall serve as the County Attorney unless and until she is removed from said position in accordance with the terms of Section 8.01 of the Putnam County Charter; and be it further

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

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR GOULDMAN WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6h – Approval/Confirmation/ Appointment/ Commissioner of the Bureau of Emergency Services was next. On behalf of the members of the Personnel Committee, Legislators Jonke and Montgomery, Legislator Nacerino moved the following:

RESOLUTION #50

APPROVAL/CONFIRMATION/ APPOINTMENT/ COMMISSIONER OF THE BUREAU OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

WHEREAS, County Executive MaryEllen Odell has appointed Kenneth W. Clair, Jr. as Commissioner of the Bureau of Emergency Services for the County of Putnam pursuant to Section 12.20 of the Putnam County Charter; and

WHEREAS, Kenneth W. Clair, Jr. possesses the requisite knowledge, experience and qualifications to serve as Commissioner of the Bureau of Emergency Services for the County of Putnam; and

WHEREAS, the Personnel Committee of the Putnam County Legislature considered and approved this appointment; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Legislature hereby confirms the appointment of Kenneth W. Clair, Jr. as the Commissioner of the Bureau of Emergency Services for the County of Putnam, pursuant to Article 12, Title II, Section 12.20 of the Putnam County Charter; and be it further

RESOLVED, that Kenneth W. Clair, Jr. shall serve as Commissioner of the Bureau of Emergency Services unless and until he is removed from said position in accordance with the terms of Section 12.20 of the Putnam County Charter; and be it further

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

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR GOULDMAN WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6i – Approval/ Confirmation/ Appointment/ Commissioner of Finance was next. On behalf of the members of the Personnel Committee, Legislators Jonke and Montgomery, Legislator Nacerino moved the following:

RESOLUTION #51

APPROVAL/CONFIRMATION/ APPOINTMENT/ COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE

WHEREAS, County Executive MaryEllen Odell has appointed William J. Carlin, Jr. as Commissioner of Finance pursuant to Section 4.01 of the Putnam County Charter; and

WHEREAS, William J. Carlin, Jr. possesses the requisite knowledge, experience and qualifications to serve as Commissioner of Finance for the County of Putnam; and

WHEREAS, the Personnel Committee of the Putnam County Legislature considered and approved this appointment; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Legislature hereby confirms the appointment of William J. Carlin, Jr. as the Commissioner of Finance for the County of Putnam, pursuant to Article 4, Section 4.01 of the Putnam County Charter; and be it further

RESOLVED, that William J. Carlin, Jr. shall serve at the pleasure of the County Executive until the expiration of his term on December 31, 2022 in accordance with the terms of Section 4.01 of the Putnam County Charter; and be it further

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

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR GOULDMAN WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6j – Approval/Confirmation/ Appointment/ Commissioner of Health was next. On behalf of the members of the Personnel Committee, Legislators Jonke and Montgomery, Legislator Nacerino moved the following:

RESOLUTION #52

APPROVAL/CONFIRMATION/ APPOINTMENT/ COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH

WHEREAS, County Executive MaryEllen Odell has appointed Michael J. Nesheiwat, M.D. as Commissioner of the Department of Health for the County of Putnam pursuant to Section 10.04 of the Putnam County Charter; and

WHEREAS, said appointment was approved by the New York State Department of Health, through the Commissioner of Health, for an initial period of two (2) years, allowing for the completion of certain graduate level courses by Dr. Michael Nesheiwat from an accredited university; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Health further indicated that said two (2) year provisional approval would be renewed for the remaining four (4) years of the six (6) year term of office applicable to the Commissioner of Health, upon proof of satisfactory completion of the above conditions; and

WHEREAS, Michael J. Nesheiwat, M.D. possesses the requisite knowledge, experience and qualifications to serve as Commissioner of Health for the County of Putnam; and

WHEREAS, the Personnel Committee of the Putnam County Legislature considered and approved this appointment; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Legislature hereby confirms the appointment of Michael J. Nesheiwat, M.D. as the Putnam County Commissioner of Health, pursuant to Article 10, Section 10.04 of the Putnam County Charter, for a two (2) year term as approved by the New York State Department of Health; and be it further

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

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR GOULDMAN WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6k – Approval/Confirmation/ Appointment/ Commissioner of Highways & Facilities was next. On behalf of the members of the Personnel Committee, Legislators Jonke and Montgomery, Legislator Nacerino moved the following:

RESOLUTION #53

APPROVAL/CONFIRMATION/ APPOINTMENT/ COMMISSIONER OF HIGHWAYS & FACILITIES

WHEREAS, County Executive MaryEllen Odell has appointed Fred Pena as Commissioner of Highways & Facilities for the County of Putnam pursuant to Section 9.01 of the Putnam County Charter; and

WHEREAS, Fred Pena possesses the requisite knowledge, experience and qualifications to serve as Commissioner of Highways & Facilities for the County of Putnam; and

WHEREAS, the Personnel Committee of the Putnam County Legislature considered and approved this appointment; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Legislature hereby confirms the appointment of Fred Pena as the Commissioner of Highways & Facilities for the County of Putnam, pursuant to Article 9, Section 9.01 of the Putnam County Charter; and be it further

RESOLVED, that Fred Pena shall serve at the pleasure of the County Executive until the expiration of his term on December 31, 2022 in accordance with the terms of Section 9.01 of the Putnam County Charter; and be it further

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

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR GOULDMAN WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6L – Approval/Confirmation/ Appointment/ Commissioner of Planning, Development and Public Transportation was next. On behalf of the members of the Personnel Committee, Legislators Jonke and Montgomery, Legislator Nacerino moved the following:

RESOLUTION #54

APPROVAL/CONFIRMATION/APPOINTMENT/COMMISSIONER OF PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

WHEREAS, County Executive MaryEllen Odell has appointed Sandra Fusco as Commissioner of Planning, Development & Public Transportation for the County of Putnam pursuant to Section 5-A.01 of the Putnam County Charter; and

WHEREAS, Sandra Fusco possesses the requisite knowledge, experience and qualifications to serve as Commissioner of Planning, Development & Public Transportation for the County of Putnam; and

WHEREAS, the Personnel Committee of the Putnam County Legislature considered and approved this appointment; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Legislature hereby confirms the appointment of Sandra Fusco as the Commissioner of Planning, Development & Public Transportation for the County of Putnam, pursuant to Article 5-A, Section 5-A.01 of the Putnam County Charter; and be it further

RESOLVED, that Sandra Fusco shall serve at the pleasure of the County Executive until the expiration of her term on December 31, 2022 in accordance with the terms of Section 5-A.01 of the Putnam County Charter; and be it further

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

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR GOULDMAN WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6m – Approval/Confirmation/ Appointment/ Director of Office for Senior Resources was next. On behalf of the members of the Personnel Committee, Legislators Jonke and Montgomery, Legislator Nacerino moved the following:

RESOLUTION #55

APPROVAL/CONFIRMATION/APPOINTMENT/DIRECTOR OF OFFICE FOR SENIOR RESOURCES

WHEREAS, County Executive MaryEllen Odell has appointed Michael J. Cunningham as Director of the Office for Senior Resources for the County of Putnam pursuant to Section 12.04 of the Putnam County Charter; and

WHEREAS, Michael Cunningham possesses the requisite knowledge, experience and qualifications to serve as Director of the Office for Senior Resources for the County of Putnam; and

WHEREAS, the Personnel Committee of the Putnam County Legislature considered and approved this appointment; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Legislature hereby confirms the appointment of Michael J. Cunningham as the Director of the Office for Senior Resources for the County of Putnam, pursuant to Article 12, Section 12.04 of the Putnam County Charter; and be it further

RESOLVED, that Michael J. Cunningham shall serve at the pleasure of the County Executive until the expiration of his term on December 31, 2022 in accordance with the terms of Section 12.04 of the Putnam County Charter; and be it further

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

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR GOULDMAN WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6n – Approval/Confirmation/ Appointment/ Director of Purchasing was next. On behalf of the members of the Personnel Committee, Legislators Jonke and Montgomery, Legislator Nacerino moved the following:

Legislator Nacerino stated that she is happy to move all these appointments forward. She explained that these dedicated individuals work extremely hard each and every day for the people of Putnam County. She congratulated all of them and thanked them for their dedication.

Legislator Montgomery stated that many of the appointments are in the audience tonight. She wanted to say thank you to everyone from each department that she met with, with

the exception of Purchasing Director Mazzotta whom she plans on meeting shortly. She stated that everyone has been generous with their time and information. She stated that she has also had the opportunity to do some, hands on roll up your sleeves, work with some of them. She appreciated the relationship so far and looks forward to the work ahead. She believed that it would be a lot easier than some people expected. She thanked them again.

Chairman Castellano stated that this was his seventh year as a Legislator. He stated that this is a fantastic group of individuals. He stated that we certainly appreciated everyone of them and he believed that the people of Putnam County should be very proud to have these individuals work for them in Putnam County government.

RESOLUTION #56

APPROVAL/CONFIRMATION/APPOINTMENT/DIRECTOR OF PURCHASING

WHEREAS, County Executive MaryEllen Odell has appointed Alessandro Mazzotta as Director of Purchasing for the County of Putnam pursuant to Section 5.01 of the Putnam County Charter; and

WHEREAS, Alessandro Mazzotta possesses the requisite knowledge, experience and qualifications to serve as Director of Purchasing for the County of Putnam; and

WHEREAS, the Personnel Committee of the Putnam County Legislature considered and approved this appointment; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Legislature hereby confirms the appointment of Alessandro Mazzotta as the Director of Purchasing for the County of Putnam, pursuant to Article 5, Section 5.01 of the Putnam County Charter; and be it further

RESOLVED, that Alessandro Mazzotta shall serve at the pleasure of the County Executive until the expiration of his term on December 31, 2022 in accordance with the terms of Section 5.01 of the Putnam County Charter; and be it further

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

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR GOULDMAN WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

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

Item #6o – Approval/ Putnam Arts Council Grants for 2019 was next. Chairman Castellano recognized Legislator Sullivan, Chairman of the Rules, Enactments & Intergovernmental Relations Committee. On behalf of the members of the Committee, Legislators Addonizio and Albano, Legislator Sullivan moved the following:

Legislator Addonizio explained how important the Arts Link Community Regrant Program was. She stated that there are amazing programs in Putnam County; music, theatre, film and the visual arts. She stated that the Arts definitely have a strong impact on our children, adults and our veterans.

Legislator Montgomery explained that Executive Director & President, Joyce Picone stated that the submissions they received in total grant requests totaled \$88,473.50.

Legislator Montgomery explained that it shows the need to support the Arts in Putnam County. She stated that she would like to see our local governments, County government, Federal and State go a lot further in what they do to support the Arts in our community.

RESOLUTION #57

APPROVAL/ PUTNAM ARTS COUNCIL GRANTS FOR 2019

WHEREAS, on February 8, 2019, the Putnam Arts Council reported to the Putnam County Legislature their recommendations for distribution of the 2019 Arts Link Community Regrant Program (formerly Putnam Arts Fund) totaling \$12,000; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Legislature accepts and approves the recommendation of the Putnam Arts Council dated February 8, 2019 distribution of the 2019 Arts Link Community Regrant Program for the first round of applications totaling \$12,000 pursuant to the attached list.

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR GOULDMAN WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6p – Approval/ Adopt a Veterans’ Service Medal and Issuance Criteria was next. On behalf of the members of the Rules, Enactments & Intergovernmental Relations Committee, Legislators Addonizio and Albano, Legislator Sullivan moved the following:

Legislator Sullivan explained that the Veterans’ Service Medal Advisory Panel did a great job in designing the medal to recognize our veterans.

Legislator Nacerino stated that she was honored to be a member of the Panel. She believed it was a great endeavor to honor our veterans.

Legislator Addonizio stated that she too was honored to be a member of the Panel. She stated that 100 years ago they gave out a similar medal on the Historic Courthouse steps. She thought it would be nice to do that again.

Chairman Castellano stated that he wanted to thank and recognize the other members on the Panel: Veterans Affairs Director Karl Rohde, Kent Highway Supervisor Richard Othmer and Rod Cassidy who are both veterans and County Clerk Bartolotti. He stated that while he attended a 4th of July barbeque in 2017, Rod Cassidy and his wife Jen told him about the story of the Veterans’ medals. He stated that being a history buff, he loved the concept. He stated that he is very thankful that we are getting closer to distributing this medal. He stated that it is a replica of the one that was given out 100 years ago November 11, 1919; one year after the first war. He encouraged veterans who were interested in receiving this medal to contact County Clerk Bartolotti or Director of Veterans’ Affairs Rohde for an application.

Legislator Nacerino stated that no taxpayer monies were going to be used to purchase these medals.

Chairman Castellano stated that it was completely funded by the great people of Putnam County through donations.

RESOLUTION #58

APPROVAL/ADOPT A VETERANS' SERVICE MEDAL AND ISSUANCE CRITERIA

WHEREAS, By Resolution #254 of 2017, the Putnam County Legislature established a Veterans' Service Medal Advisory Panel (the "Panel") to hold meetings and undertake a study that will enable the County to establish criteria and procedures for the award of, and commission the production of, a new Putnam County Service Medal; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution #30 of 2019, the Panel was continued through December 31, 2019; and

WHEREAS, through a report dated February 7, 2019, the Panel presented its findings and determinations to the Putnam County Legislature, including a proposed medal (see attached) designed by sculptor Michael Keropian of Keropian Sculpture LLC, with an estimated cost of \$15.00 each;

WHEREAS, the Panel also submitted to the Legislature a proposed form of application for Putnam's veterans to apply for the medal, which form sets forth certain criteria for eligibility to receive the medal; and

WHEREAS, the Panel recommended to the Legislature: 1) that the design created by Mr. Keropian be adopted as the official Putnam County Veterans Service Medal; 2) that the Panel be authorized to order production of the official Service Medal using funds raised by the Panel; 3) that the form of application, including the criteria for issuance set forth therein, be approved for use by the Panel in connection with issuance of the official Service Medal; and 4) that the Panel be authorized to issue the official Service Medal to applicants they deem qualified at the times, and in the places and manners, deemed appropriate by the Panel; and

WHEREAS, on February 19, 2019, the Rules, Enactments & Intergovernmental Relations Committee considered the recommendations of the Panel and voted to approve all of them; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Legislature approves the recommendations of the Panel and directs the Panel to begin forthwith the production of the medal, acceptance of applications, and issuance of the medal to qualified Putnam County veterans.

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR GOULDMAN WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

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

Item #6q – Approval/ Budgetary Amendment (18A093)/Commissioner of Finance/ Capital Projects was next. Chairman Castellano 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 #59

APPROVAL/ BUDGETARY AMENDMENT /COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE/ CAPITAL PROJECTS

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Finance has requested a budgetary amendment (18A093) to closeout completed Capital Projects and adjust for ongoing Capital Projects to reflect actual costs; and

WHEREAS, this Budgetary Amendment also designates \$1.5 million in a Capital Facility Reserve fund to be utilized for County Facility Renovations, similar to the Deskovic Litigation funds received from NYMIR and designated by Resolution #165 of 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Finance has requested the designated Capital Facility Reserve funds be utilized to cover the cost of County Facility Renovations; and

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

CAPITAL FUND:

Increase Estimated Appropriations:

55997000 53000 51708	Transit – Section 5307 FFY 2017	118,761.00
55997000 53000 51806	Transit – Section 5307 FFY 2018	179,005.00
59901000 53000 50357	Transfer to General Fund	24,170.18
59901000 53000 50358	Transfer to Debt Service Reserve	24,178.68
55197000 53000 51509	Capital Facility Reserve	<u>1,500,000.00</u>
		1,846,114.86

Decrease Estimated Appropriations:

51989000 53000 51213	DSS- Boiler Replacement	24,178.68
51997000 53000 51307	EOC Generator	100,000.00
53197000 53000 51219	Jail Security Fence	2,050.00
53197000 53000 51221	Jail – Security Doors	331.77
53197000 53000 51506	Flashover Building	65,000.00
57997000 53000 51511	Veterans Park Improvements	380.82
51997000 53000 51602	Facility Upgrades	250,000.00
51997000 53000 51603	34 Gleneida Renovations	150,000.00
51989000 53000 51604	LED renovations	310,000.00
51997000 53000 51606	BOE Renovations	200,000.00
57997000 53000 51701	PCGC – Roof Replacement	100,000.00
57997000 53000 51702	PCGC – ADA Renovations	200,000.00
57997000 53000 51703	PCGC – ADA Renovations	75,000.00
55197000 53000 51705	Bridges & Culverts	500,000.00
55197000 53000 51801	Bridges & Culverts	500,000.00
55197000 53000 51802	Highway Infrastructure	<u>1,000,000.00</u>
		3,476,941.27

Decrease Estimated Revenues:

55997000 428601 51617	Transfer from General Fund	3,001.00
58989000 430971 50336	St Aid – Landfill Cap	724,350.00
05000 45710D 51307	2013 Bond Proceeds	100,000.00
51989000 428601 51213	DSS – Boiler Replacement	24,178.68
53197000 428601 51219	Jail Security Fence	2,050.00

59901000 427701 51221	Sheriff Security Doors	331.77
53197000 433893 51506	LMI – Flashover Building	65,000.00
59901000 428601 51511	Veterans Park Improvements	380.82
05000 45710G 51602	2016 Bond Proceeds	250,000.00
05000 45710G 51603	2016 Bond Proceeds	150,000.00
05000 45710G 51604	2016 Bond Proceeds - LED Lighting	160,000.00
51989000 430971 51604	State Aid – LED Lighting	150,000.00
05000 45710G 51606	2016 Bond Proceeds	100,000.00
51997000 440892 51606	Fed Aid – HAVA	100,000.00
05000 45710H 51701	2017 Bond Proceeds	100,000.00
05000 45710H 51702	2017 Bond Proceeds	200,000.00
05000 45710H 51703	2017 Bond Proceeds	75,000.00
05000 45710H 51705	2017 Bond Proceeds	500,000.00
05000 45710I 51715	2018 Bond Proceeds	350,000.00
05000 45710I 51801	2018 Bond Proceeds	500,000.00
05000 45710I 51802	2018 Bond Proceeds	<u>1,000,000.00</u>
		4,554,292.27

Increase Estimated Revenues:

55997000 428601 51218	Transfer from General Fund	3,001.00
55997000 435970 51708	State Aid – Sect 5307 FFY 2017	11,876.00
55997000 445970 51708	Fed Aid – Sect FFY 2017	95,009.00
57997000 428601 51708	Transfer from General Fund	11,876.00
55997000 435970 51806	State Aid – Sect 5307 FFY 2018	17,901.00
55997000 445970 51806	Fed Aid – Sect 5307 FFY 2018	143,204.00
57997000 428601 51806	Transfer from General Fund	17,900.00
58989000 428601 50336	Transfer from General Fund	724,350.00
59901000 428601 50358	Interfund Transfer	24,178.68
59901000 428601 50357	Transfer to General Fund	24,170.18
53197000 428601 51715	Transfer from General Fund	350,000.00
55197000 427112 51509	Transfer from General Fund	<u>1,500,000.00</u>
		2,923,465.86

GENERAL FUND:

Increase Estimated Appropriations:

10990100 59020	Transfer to Capital Fund	2,574,350.00
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Increase Estimated Revenues:

10131000 427161	Use of Fund Balance	2,574,350.00
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Decrease Estimated Appropriations:

10990100 59020	Transfer to Capital Fund	24,170.18
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Decrease Estimated Revenues:

10131000 427161	Use of Fund Balance	24,170.18
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DEBT SERVICE:

Increase Estimated Revenues:

V9710000 428601	Transfer from Capital Fund	24,178.68
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Decrease Estimated Revenues:
V9710000 427111 Use of Debt Service Reserve 24,178.68

And be it further

RESOLVED, that there shall be no changes to the Capital Facility Reserve fund unless the Legislature receives a scope of the project, a preliminary cost estimate not to exceed amount of the project, and in addition a Resolution of the County Legislature authorizing project.

2018 Fiscal Impact – 0 –
2019 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR GOULDMAN WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6r – Approval/Highways & Facilities/ Use of Capital Reserve/ County Facility Renovations was next. On behalf of the members of the Physical Services Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Nacerino, Legislator Albano moved the following:

RESOLUTION #60

APPROVAL/HIGHWAYS & FACILITIES/ USE OF CAPITAL FACILITY RESERVE

WHEREAS, by Resolution #59 of 2019 Putnam County designated \$1.5 million in a Capital Facility Reserve fund to be utilized for County Facility Renovations; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Highways & Facilities has proposed the use of this Capital Facility Reserve to fund, Project #19CP01 – Computer Upgrade for the Highway Department, for which project scope is attached to this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Physical Services Committee has reviewed and approved this project; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature through the Physical Services Committee has received a scope of this project and a preliminary cost estimate of this project; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Legislature approves and authorizes the expenditure of \$30,000 from the County Capital Reserve fund budget line 55197000 53000 51509 as follows:

19CP01 Computer Upgrade – Highways & Facilities

Project cost not to exceed \$30,000

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR GOULDMAN WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6s – Authorizing Lease/ Room #1 / Putnam County Veterans' Residence was next. On behalf of the members of the Physical Services Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Nacerino, Legislator Albano moved the following:

Legislator Albano stated that the lease will be until April 15th and when the other leases are renewed and we receive the correct paperwork, it will probably be renewed for the next term.

RESOLUTION #61

AUTHORIZING LEASE/ROOM # 10 PUTNAM COUNTY VETERANS' RESIDENCE

WHEREAS, the County of Putnam is the owner of certain real property, including the building situated thereon, located at 9 Drew Lane, Carmel, New York 10512, which is known as the Putnam County Veterans' Residence; and

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Veterans' Residence is operated as a communal residence for veterans who meet the established eligibility criteria; and

WHEREAS, the County of Putnam is desirous of entering into a lease agreement with John Geoffrey Hodgson for a single-residence room in the Putnam County Veterans' Residence; and

WHEREAS, said lease agreement shall be for a term commencing on January 16, 2019 and expiring on April 15, 2019; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the County of Putnam may enter into the aforementioned lease agreement with John Geoffrey Hodgson for the single-residence room in the Putnam County Veterans' Residence identified as Room # 10, for a term commencing on January 16, 2019 and expiring on April 15, 2019; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive, with the advice and assistance of the County Attorney, is authorized to finalize and execute said lease agreement with John Geoffrey Hodgson at the rental price of \$400.00 per month, which shall be in substantial conformance with the form attached hereto as Schedule "A"; and be it further

RESOLVED, this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR GOULDMAN WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6t – Approval/ Easement Agreement with Metro-North Commuter Railroad Company & Town of Southeast/ Southeast Tax Map #56.15-1-5 was next. On behalf of the members of the Physical Services Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Nacerino, Legislator Albano moved the following:

Chairman Castellano stated that this pertains to the Prospect Hill Road Bridge. He thanked Metro North for completing this project which will benefit the people of the Town of Southeast.

RESOLUTION #62

APPROVAL/EASEMENT AGREEMENT WITH METRO-NORTH COMMUTER RAILROAD COMPANY & TOWN OF SOUTHEAST/ SOUTHEAST TM # 56.15-1-5

WHEREAS, the County is the fee owner of a certain parcel of vacant real property in the Town of Southeast, County of Putnam, and State of New York, designated as Town of Southeast Tax Map Number 56.15-1-5 (hereinafter the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, Metro-North Commuter Railroad Company (hereinafter “MNR”) is finalizing a project to replace the Prospect Hill Road Bridge (BIN 2224040), which spans MNR property and facilities adjacent to the Property (hereinafter the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of assisting MNR with the Project, the County previously provided MNR with a temporary easement across the Property for the purposes of access, excavation, and placing fill, which temporary easement was authorized pursuant to Resolution # 74 of 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Southeast owns and maintains the public road which traverses the Prospect Hill Road Bridge; and

WHEREAS, the Project requires MNR to construct an earthen embankment in order to ensure support for the road; and

WHEREAS, MNR requires a temporary easement over a certain portion of the Property in connection with its construction of the earthen embankment; and

WHEREAS, the earthen embankment will provide a benefit to the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Town is willing to undertake the obligation to perpetually maintain the earthen embankment upon its completion in recognition of the benefit provided to the road; and

WHEREAS, the Town requires a permanent easement over a certain portion of the Property in connection with its perpetual maintenance of the earthen embankment; and

WHEREAS, the County is desirous of conveying to MNR, a temporary easement over a certain portion of the Property for the purpose of constructing the earthen embankment; and

WHEREAS, the County is desirous of conveying to the Town, a permanent easement over a certain portion of the Property for the purpose of perpetually maintaining the earthen embankment; and

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Department of Highways and Facilities engineers have reviewed the proposed easement agreement (a copy of which is 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 the proposed easement agreement as to form; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Putnam County Legislature hereby approves and authorizes the subject easement agreement, which shall be in substantial conformance with the form attached hereto as Exhibit “A”; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Executive is authorized to execute said easement agreement 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 this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR GOULDMAN WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

**HEALTH, SOCIAL, EDUCATIONAL & ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE
(Chairwoman Addonizio, Legislators Gouldman & Sayegh)**

Item #6u – Approval/Fund Transfer (19T023)/Commissioner of Social Services/Overtime was next. Chairman Castellano recognized Legislator Addonizio, Chairwoman of the Health, Social, Educational & Environmental Committee. On behalf of the members of

the Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Sayegh, Legislator Addonizio moved the following:

RESOLUTION #63

APPROVAL/FUND TRANSFER /COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SERVICES/OVERTIME

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Social Services has requested a fund transfer (19T023) to cover Overtime costs for Probation Officers through 9/30/19 to conduct curfew checks to STSJP eligible PINS/JD youth in accordance with Putnam County's State approved STSJP 18/19 Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Health, Social, Educational & Environmental Committee and the Audit & Administration Committee have reviewed and approve said fund transfer; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the following fund transfer be made:

Decrease:		
10612300 54989	JD/PINS Miscellaneous (Juvenile Delinquent/ Person in need of Supervision)	32,524
Increase:		
10612300 51093	JD/PINS Overtime	30,210
10612300 58002	JD/PINS FICA	<u>2,314</u>
		32,524

2019 Fiscal Impact – 0 –
2020 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR GOULDMAN WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6v – Approval/ Local Law to Amend Chapter 147 of the Code of Putnam County Entitled “Electronic Cigarettes (E-Cigarettes), Subsection 147-10 Entitled “Signage” was next. On behalf of the members of the Health, Social, Educational & Environmental Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Sayegh, Legislator Addonizio moved the following: (public notice was not published – reapproved this local law at Special Meeting 3/25/19)

Legislator Addonizio stated that this corrected the signage wording from 18 to 21 years old.

RESOLUTION #64

APPROVAL/ LOCAL LAW TO AMEND CHAPTER 147 OF THE CODE OF PUTNAM COUNTY ENTITLED “ELECTRONIC CIGARETTES (E-CIGARETTES), SUBSECTION 147-10 ENTITLED “SIGNAGE”

WHEREAS, the sale of any Electronic Aerosol Delivery System to individuals who are between the ages of eighteen (18) and twenty-one (21) is prohibited pursuant to

Section 223-3 of the Putnam County Code, enacted pursuant to Resolution # 215 of 2018; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 147 of the Putnam County Code, enacted pursuant to Resolution # 294 of 2018; created a licensing requirement for, and otherwise regulates, the retail sale of Electronic Aerosol Delivery Systems in Putnam County; and

WHEREAS, as enacted, Section 147-10 of the Putnam County Code requires persons operating certain places of business wherein any Electronic Aerosol Delivery System is sold or offered for sale to post a conspicuous sign giving notice of the New York State age restriction on sales of such products; and

WHEREAS, as enacted, the sign specified in Section 147-10 of the Putnam County Code does not account for the countywide age restriction previously enacted in Section 223-3 of the Putnam County Code; and now therefore

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

Section 1.

Section 147-10 of the Putnam County Code is hereby deleted and replaced in its entirety, as follows:

§ 147-10 Signage.

Any Person operating a place of business wherein any Electronic Aerosol Delivery System is sold or offered for sale shall post in a conspicuous place a sign upon which there shall be imprinted the following statement, "SALE OF CIGARETTES, CIGARS, CHEWING TOBACCO, POWDERED TOBACCO, SHISHA OR OTHER TOBACCO PRODUCTS, HERBAL CIGARETTES, LIQUID NICOTINE, ELECTRONIC CIGARETTES, ROLLING PAPERS OR SMOKING PARAPHERNALIA, TO PERSONS UNDER TWENTY-ONE (21) YEARS OF AGE IS PROHIBITED BY LAW." Such sign shall be printed on a white card in red letters at least one-half inch in height. This Section shall not apply to any person exempted from licensing pursuant to Section 147-3 (A) or (B) of this Article.

Section 2.

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon its filing with the NYS Secretary of State.

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR GOULDMAN WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6w – Approval/ Victims Services Grant Renewal / Department of Social Services was next. On behalf of the members of the Health, Social, Educational & Environmental Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Sayegh, Legislator Addonizio moved the following:

RESOLUTION #65

APPROVAL/ VICTIMS SERVICES GRANT RENEWAL / DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

WHEREAS, in the past Putnam County has obtained grant approvals from the New York State Office of Victim Services under Victim Assistance Program; and

WHEREAS, funds are used to support our Victim Advocacy Program to provide emotional support and address the complicated needs of child abuse victims and their families; and

WHEREAS, this three (3) year contract is now up for renewal; and

WHEREAS, a new grant approval program has been initiated by the Office of Victim Services for services that meet the immediate needs of crime victims under the Victim of Crimes Act (VOCA); and

WHEREAS, the amount of any grant will be determined under this program if the application is successful; and

WHEREAS, the deadline for filing an application under this program is April 3, 2019; and

WHEREAS, grants issued under this program do not require matching County funds; and

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

RESOLVED, that the Department of Social Services is authorized to submit an application for a grant under the current Victim and Witness Assistance Grant Program for an amount to be determined by the program upon awarding of the grant.

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR GOULDMAN WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

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

Item #6x – Approval/Budgetary Amendment (18A094)/Commissioner of Finance/ Year End Journal Entry #2 was next. Chairman Castellano stated that Legislator Gouldman was unable to attend the meeting. On behalf of the members of the Audit & Administration Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Sayegh, Chairman Castellano moved the following:

RESOLUTION #66

APPROVAL/BUDGETARY AMENDMENT /COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE/ YEAR END JOURNAL ENTRY #2

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Finance has requested a budgetary amendment (18A094) for the second Year End Entry for the year ending December 31, 2018; and

WHEREAS, further entry(s) will follow as more information becomes available during the year end closing process; and

WHEREAS, the Audit & Administration Committee has reviewed and approves said budgetary amendment; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the following budgetary amendment be made:

GENERAL FUND:

Increase Estimated Appropriations:
SEE ATTACHED SHEET 1,554,158.00

Increase Estimated Revenues:
SEE ATTACHED SHEET 5,099,889.00

Decrease Estimated Revenues:
SEE ATTACHED SHEET 3,545,731.00

ROAD FUND:

Increase Estimated Appropriations:
SEE ATTACHED SHEET 353,765.00

Increase Estimated Revenues:
SEE ATTACHED SHEET 353,765.00

CAPITAL FUND:

Increase Estimated Appropriations:
SEE ATTACHED SHEET 6,702.66

Decrease Estimated Appropriations:
SEE ATTACHED SHEET 5,363.05

Increase Estimated Revenues:
SEE ATTACHED SHEET 1,339.61

TRANSPORTATION FUND:

Increase Estimated Appropriations:
SEE ATTACHED SHEET 1,591.00

Increase Estimated Revenues:
SEE ATTACHED SHEET 1,591.00

2018 Fiscal Impact – 0 –
2019 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR GOULDMAN WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6y – Approval/ Amend Resolution #29 of 2019/ Sheriff’s Department / Establish Carmel SPO was next. On behalf of the members of the Audit & Administration Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Sayegh, Chairman Castellano moved the following:

RESOLUTION #67

APPROVAL/ AMEND RESOLUTION #29 OF 2019/ SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT / ESTABLISH CARMEL SPO

WHEREAS, the Town of Carmel requested two (2) Special Patrol Officers (SPO) for security at the Town Hall Monday through Thursday for 247 business days; and

WHEREAS, the total of eight (8) hours per day would be split by the two (2) SPOs four (4) hours per day at a rate of \$25.00 per hour; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Carmel will pay all costs associated with providing these two SPOs, including but not limited to the cost to offset potential worker's compensation costs; and

WHEREAS, the Protective Services Committee reviewed said proposal at its November and December 2018 Committee meetings; and

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Sheriff requested a budgetary amendment (19A001) to establish the Town of Carmel SPO budget as of 1/01/19 in order to implement said proposal; and

WHEREAS, the Audit & Administration Committee previously reviewed and approved a budgetary amendment pending receiving a response from the State and further determination of said response by the Putnam County Law Department via Resolution #29 of 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Personnel Department previously forwarded an inquiry to the State Civil Service Commission to determine if other jurisdictions have been authorized to provide these services under similar circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Personnel Department has not yet received a response from the State; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the Legislature is desirous of moving forward with this program pending the receipt of any opinion from the State Civil Service Commission to the contrary; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the following budgetary amendment be made immediately upon adoption hereof:

Increase Estimated Appropriations:

16099000 51094 10147	Temporary – 2 SPOs	50,000
16099000 52180 10147	Other Equipment	6,960
16099000 54385 10147	Uniforms	2,240
16099000 54640 10147	Training	1,600
16099000 58002 10147	FICA	<u>3,825</u>
		64,625

Increase Estimated Revenues:

16099000 422609 10147	SPO – Town Contracts	64,625
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2019 Fiscal Impact – 0 –
2020 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR GOULDMAN WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6z – Approval/Highways & Facilities/ Use of Capital Reserve/ County Facility Renovations was next. On behalf of the members of the Audit & Administration

Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Sayegh, Chairman Castellano moved the following:

Legislator Albano stated that LED lighting will be used which is more energy efficient.

Chairman Castellano stated that it will allow for a safer environment for the Sheriff's Deputies and inmates. He stated that the LED lighting will also provide a cost savings.

Legislator Sayegh explained that the Correction Facility never shuts down. The lights are utilized 24 hours per week, seven (7) days per week, 365 days per year. She believed it was very important to replace the lighting with LEDs which are more energy efficient.

RESOLUTION #68

APPROVAL/HIGHWAYS & FACILITIES/ USE OF CAPITAL FACILITY RESERVE

WHEREAS, by Resolution #59 of 2019 Putnam County designated \$1.5 million in a Capital Facility Reserve fund to be utilized for County Facility Renovations; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution #60 of 2019 the Putnam County Legislature approved the use of this Capital Project fund for project; 19CP01 for a total expenditure not to exceed \$30,000; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Highways & Facilities has proposed the use of this Capital Facility Reserve to fund, Project #19CP02 – Jail Lighting for the Sheriff's Department, for which project scope is attached to this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Audit & Administration Committee has reviewed and approved this project; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature through the Audit & Administration Committee has received a scope of this project and a preliminary cost estimate of this project; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Legislature approves and authorizes the expenditure of \$25,000 from the County Capital Reserve fund budget line 55197000 53000 51509 as follows:

19CP02 Jail Lighting – Sheriff's Department

Project cost not to exceed \$25,000

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR GOULDMAN WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #7 – Other Business

Chairman Castellano made a motion to waive the rules and accept Other Business Item #7a; seconded by Legislator Sullivan. All in favor.

Item #7a – Approval/ Support Funding for Veterans Peer to Peer Support Program was next.

Chairman Castellano stated that the State has proposed to cut the funding for the Peer to Peer Support Program at a cost of \$185,000 for Putnam County. He stated that we would

like the Governor and the State to put this money back in the State Budget. He stated that this is a wonderful program which helps our Veterans.

Legislator Albano stated that he finds it amazing that the Governor would even consider cutting funding for the Veterans. He stated that, if anything, they should raise the amount.

Legislator Jonke stated that a few years ago the Governor stated that this was an important program. Legislator Jonke believed that this was a very important program. He stated that he had a friend who was a Veteran and he took his own life in 2012. He stated that he was bewildered that the Governor would pull the funding on this program.

Legislator Addonizio concurred and she believed that the Vet to Vet program was so important to our County. It is a program where Veterans can connect and open up to other Veterans.

Legislator Montgomery stated that she reached out to Senator Sean Patrick Maloney's office. She stated that she spoke with Colin Lions who is the Veterans' advocate. He offered his assistance and stated that this is one of the single most important, most effective programs the Veterans have.

Legislator Nacerino concurred with her colleagues. She stated that we cannot underscore the value of this program and value of having individuals who have walked in the shoes of Veterans to be able to communicate effectively with other Veterans. She stated that there is trust and loyalty, as well as experience and devotion, which makes this program quite valuable.

Legislator Sullivan stated that it was disheartening to see that they would be cutting these crucial counseling services to our Veterans. He explained that when you look at all the waste and spending in the State Budget, it was a shame that they would pick on our Veterans who have given the most for everyone.

Chairman Castellano made a motion to move the following; seconded by Legislator Nacerino.

RESOLUTION #69

APPROVAL/SUPPORT FUNDING FOR VETERANS PEER TO PEER SUPPORT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the epidemic of military suicides has become so rampant that in recent years, death by suicide of active duty American service members rivals, and sometimes even exceeds, the numbers killed in combat; and

WHEREAS, post-traumatic stress disorders are a serious problem among America's service veterans, and can greatly disrupt their daily lives; and

WHEREAS, veterans and service members suffering from post-traumatic stress syndrome or other combat stress disorders are greatly helped through individual and small-group peer-to-peer counseling methods; and

WHEREAS, Putnam County's Joseph P. Dwyer Vet2Vet program provides invaluable service by assisting all veterans of Putnam County and their families through free confidential and anonymous vet-to-vet outreach programs; and

WHEREAS, Putnam County's Joseph P. Dwyer Vet2Vet program also offers opportunities for veterans to come together in support of each other; to listen and benefit from each other's experiences with service-related issues, including returning to civilian life, school, civilian jobs, and family life; and to navigate the services available through the Veterans Administration and community-based organizations; and

WHEREAS, funding for Putnam County's Joseph P. Dwyer Vet2Vet program has once again been eliminated from the Governor's budget for next year; and

WHEREAS, the reduction or elimination of funding for this program would result in a serious disservice to, and potentially dire consequences for, Putnam County's active duty service members and veterans, as well as their families, who have made great sacrifices for the United States, the State of New York, and Putnam County; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Legislature respectfully calls upon and hereby urges Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, Senator Peter Harckham, Senator Susan Serino, Assemblyman Kevin Byrne, and Assemblywoman Sandra Galef to take all necessary steps to fully fund Putnam County's Joseph P. Dwyer Vet2Vet program in all future state budgets; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Putnam County Legislature shall forward a copy of this Resolution to the Governor and the aforementioned members of the State Legislature.

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR GOULDMAN WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #7b – Approval/ Oppose the Proposed and Amended 2020 Executive State Budget Impacting Aid and Incentives to Municipalities and State Cost Shifts to Counties was next.

Legislator Nacerino made a motion to waive the rules and accept Item #7b; seconded by Legislator Jonke. All in favor.

Legislator Nacaerino stated that there is one (1) month left before the State's Budget is adopted. She stated that if this resolution went through our Committee process in March it would not be approved by the Full Legislature until April and therefore the State Legislature would not receive it prior to the adoption of their Budget. Legislator Nacerino proceeded to read some portions of the resolution.

Legislator Montgomery believed this should be approved. She explained that coming from town government she originally thought this would be a way for the County to share sales tax revenue with the towns. However, she believes that it was unfair for the Governor to do this. She stated that although she believes we should still find a way to share sales tax with local municipalities, she agreed that we should approve this resolution and work on sharing sales tax at a later date. She believed this is a ridiculous thing that the Governor has put forth another burden on local government.

Legislator Nacerino concurred that this does put an undue burden on municipalities. She explained the difficulty in providing the resources needed when the State keeps cutting funding and imposing unfunded mandates.

Legislator Albano stated that any chance of higher taxes is an issue. He stated that now you will not be able to deduct more than \$10,000 on home taxes and not be able to right off State tax. He stated that it is imperative that New York receives no more increases and that no more should be placed on local towns and counties.

Legislator Montgomery provided the following figures on what local towns would lose: \$41,000 for Putnam Valley, \$16,000 for Village of Cold Spring. In looking at past budgets it would be over \$30,000 for Town of Philipstown and then there would be the Village of Nelsonville. She stated that when you think about their tiny budgets compared to the County and State Budget; that's a lot of money.

Chairman Castellano stated that they are already strapped and this would just make it difficult for them to operate.

Legislator Nacerino moved the following; seconded by Legislator Jonke.

RESOLUTION #70

APPROVAL/ OPPOSE THE PROPOSED AND AMENDED 2020 EXECUTIVE STATE BUDGET IMPACTING AID AND INCENTIVES TO MUNICIPALITIES AND STATE COST SHIFTS TO COUNTIES

WHEREAS, Governor Andrew Cuomo's 2019-20 Executive State Budget contains a proposal to eliminate \$60 million in Assistance and Incentives to Municipalities (AIM) funding for about 1,300 towns and villages; and

WHEREAS, on February 15, 2019, the Governor announced a 30-Day Amendment to the 2020 Executive Budget making impacted towns and villages whole from these changes to AIM funding by utilizing revenue from county sales tax; and

WHEREAS, instead of restoring AIM with State funding and signifying a desire by the State to act as partners with local governments, this budget amendment requires counties to make up for lost AIM funding with sales tax revenue, imposing a new mandate on counties; and

WHEREAS, the Governor submitted a new proposal to restore AIM by mandating that counties backfill the \$60 million in eliminated state funding by using county sales tax revenue that may or may not materialize with the implementation of the Internet Marketplace Fairness Act; and

WHEREAS, while the Governor has estimated that local governments will gain \$390 million in new sales tax revenues from these changes, NYSAC's projected new revenue accruing to counties is about \$185 million on a full annual basis; and

WHEREAS, on a full annual basis, the Governor's proposal will reduce the estimated Internet sales tax benefit by over 60 percent for a typical county, with NYSAC estimating that Putnam County would lose \$568,632 of a projected \$1,902,103 in Internet sales tax revenue to pay for Mandatory AIM payments; and

WHEREAS, already-existing unfunded State mandates are the cause of high local taxes in Putnam County and throughout New York State; and

WHEREAS, counties were granted the authority to levy a local sales tax in the late 1960s to help pay for Medicaid, indigent legal defense services, and other state mandates on counties, and

WHEREAS, requiring counties to make up for the State's cut in AIM funding to villages and towns sets an unsustainable precedent and unnecessarily shifts the State's

burden to local taxpayers, who already pay some of the highest property taxes in the nation; and

WHEREAS, currently nine state-mandated programs placed on counties comprise more than ninety percent (90%) of the typical county property tax levy, and these mandated costs continue to grow; and

WHEREAS, cutting AIM funding in the first place is a tax-shift from broad-based State income taxes to regressive local property taxes, and

WHEREAS, replacing what had been State AIM assistance with funding from county revenues is simply a tax-shift that will ultimately result in higher property taxes; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Putnam County supports the full restoration of this state aid program to local governments and urges the Governor and State Legislature to fully restore this state funding in the final 2019/2020 state budget; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Legislature hereby respectfully urges the County's state legislative delegation – Senator Peter Harckham, Senator Susan Serino, Assemblyman Kevin Byrne, and Assemblywoman Sandra Galef – to act to restore full funding of state AIM assistance and reject the Governor's proposal to require counties to backfill the funding gap; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Putnam County Legislature shall forward a copy of this Resolution to each in the County's state legislative delegation and to the Governor.

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR GOULDMAN WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #8 – Recognition of Public on Agenda Items

Eric Gross, Chairman of the Emergency Safety Services Advisory Board (ESSAB) stated that there are nine (9) members on the ESSAB representing both sides of the County.

Item #9 – Recognition of Legislators

Legislator Jonke congratulated all the Department Heads appointed this evening. He stated that the people of Putnam County should know that they have dedicated hard-working Department Heads. He stated that it was an honor to approve these appointments. He stated that in working with the Safety Board, he reminded residents to please mark their mailboxes with house numbers where emergency services can see them and locate their residence in the case of an emergency. He stated that, as Chairman of the Protective Services Committee, it has been brought to his attention that vehicles are passing stopped school buses in Putnam County. He asked individuals to please use caution and not pass stopped school buses.

Legislator Montgomery concurred that it was critical to mark your mailboxes. She mentioned that a great representative was appointed to the MTA Board; Neal Zuckerman. She stated that the integrity of this man in calling out his own organization for their failure to oversee the contractors that are responsible for installing positive train control, says a lot to who we have in Putnam County representing us. She stated that she is confident that with his leadership we will see progress and more safety on our trains.

Legislator Sullivan congratulated the appointed Department Heads. He mentioned that the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Mahopac is scheduled for Sunday, March 10th at 2:00 P.M.

He reminded everyone that on April 23rd the Putnam County Health Department is having their 13th Annual Food Operators Expo at the Putnam County Golf Course.

Legislator Nacerino stated that on Sunday, March 10th there will be a breakfast at the Patterson Recreation Center to benefit Mike Ercole. She stated that he is a member of the Putnam Lake Fire Department and he has experienced a medical emergency. The Fire Department is hosting this event on his behalf.

Legislator Sayegh stated that Hudson Valley Restaurant week is scheduled for March 11th through March 24th. She stated that this is a big part of tourism in Putnam County. It is a great way for people to come and visit our County. She encouraged individuals to support our establishments. She stated that there is information on our website at Putnamcountyny.gov.

Chairman Castellano echoed the sentiments of Legislator Jonke in reminding everyone to make sure you can see their house numbers are displayed appropriately. He also stated, as a daily commuter down to White Plains, he reminded individuals to clean the snow off of the top of their cars. He stated that driving on Interstate 684 with snow on their vehicles was an accident waiting to happen.

There being no further business, at 7:52 P.M., Chairman Castellano made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Legislators Nacerino and Sayegh. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted by Diane Schonfeld, Clerk.