

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

Tuesday                      June 6, 2017                      7:00 P.M.

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The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Chairwoman Nacerino who requested Legislator Jonke lead in the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairwoman Nacerino led in the Legislative Prayer. Upon roll call, Legislators Scuccimarra, Gouldman, Addonizio, Albano, Jonke, Castellano, Sullivan and Chairwoman Nacerino were present. Legislator LoBue was absent. Also present was Legislative Counsel Representative, First Deputy County Attorney, Andrew Negro.

**PROCLAMATIONS**

Chairwoman Nacerino recognized Legislator Scuccimarra who presented the “National Safe Boating Month” proclamation to Charlie Melchner.

**NATIONAL SAFE BOATING MONTH – JUNE 2017**

WHEREAS, recreational boating is a fun and enjoyable sport while being an excellent source of relaxation; and

WHEREAS, however, boating to the unprepared can be a risky sport; and

WHEREAS, knowledge and skills are important in reducing human error and improving judgment when boating; and

WHEREAS, if a person is aware of the risks, they are likely to take precautionary measures to protect themselves, their family, and their friends; and

WHEREAS, the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary has served the County for nearly seventy (70) years by providing boating education courses, making marine dealer visitations, conducting boating safety checks, and tending multi-mission patrols; and

WHEREAS, using their own boats and equipment, the Coast Guard Auxiliary has been able to reduce boating accidents and fatalities; and

WHEREAS, through volunteer services, the Coast Guard Auxiliary has made the waters of the County safer by spreading messages of boating safety, not only during National Safe Boating Month, but throughout the entire year; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Executive and the Putnam County Legislature do hereby support the goals of the North American Safe Boating Campaign and proclaim June 2017 as “National Safe Boating Month” in Putnam County and the start of the year-round effort to promote safe boating.

Chairwoman Nacerino recognized Legislator Jonke who presented the proclamations honoring Sergeant Hennigan and Trooper Kim.

**HONORING SERGEANT HENNIGAN**

WHEREAS, On the morning of May 10, 2017 New York State Troopers Zone Sergeant John C. Hennigan and Trooper Jason Kim were called into action at the

intersection of Route 22 and Doansburg Road in the Town of Southeast when an individual working in the area directed their attention to a person in a nearby pond; and

WHEREAS, When the two Officers approached the pond, they observed a person submerged face down in the six foot deep water. Sergeant Hennigan and Trooper Kim immediately responded to the situation. They entered the water and brought the victim to land; and

WHEREAS, Once on the shore, first aid was administered right away while an ambulance was en route. Due to the swift action and responsiveness of both Officers, the 40 year old victim, a consumer of the Hudson Valley Cerebral Palsy Association, is alive today; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Executive and the Putnam County Legislature do hereby recognize and publicly thank and honor Zone Sergeant John C. Hennigan and Trooper Jason Kim for putting their State Trooper first aid training into action. Their quick and professional response made this story one which will be retold with a smile!

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Chairwoman Nacerino recognized Legislator Addonizio who read the proclamation honoring "Kevin Bailey" who was not present the night of the meeting.

#### HONORING KEVIN BAILEY

WHEREAS, Kevin Bailey has been an asset to the Putnam County community by serving in many capacities over the past few decades; and

WHEREAS, as a Charter member of the Patterson Rotary, Kevin Bailey was instrumental in solidifying this benevolent organization in the Town of Patterson and has since carried over his experience and positive spirit to the Lake Mahopac Rotary; and

**WHEREAS, Kevin Bailey served as the Chairman of the Putnam County Economic Development Agency and Chairman of the Putnam County Industrial Development Agency simultaneously. In these roles, he advocated for a business friendly environment, searched for ways to bring in new businesses, retain current businesses, and promoted local shopping all while keeping the wellbeing of the Putnam taxpayer at the forefront of his mission; and**

**WHEREAS, Recognizing the vital work done by the non-profits within the County, Kevin Bailey was an integral part of fundraising via cablethons for organizations such as United Way of Putnam County, PARC, the Putnam County Humane Society, and the Putnam Hospital Center; and**

**WHEREAS, Kevin Bailey has been honored by various organizations for his contributions to the community such as PARC and the Putnam Hospital Center. He has also been Honorary Grand Marshal at past Columbus Day and St. Patrick's Day Parades; and**

**WHEREAS, Kevin Bailey has a reputation for being an individual who is community oriented, caring, and determined; now therefore be it**

**RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Executive and the Putnam County Legislature do hereby wish Kevin well in his retirement and thank him for his selfless and generous efforts on behalf of Putnam County.**

**Item #4 – Approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting – May 2, 2017  
Special Meeting – May 22, 2017  
Special Meeting – May 25, 2017**

**The minutes were approved as submitted.**

**Item #5 – Correspondence**

**a) County Auditor – Refund of Taxes**

**There was no activity during this reporting period.**

**Item #6 – Pre-filed resolutions:**

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

**Item #6a – Approval/Removal of Board Member/ Putnam County Home Improvement Board was next. Chairwoman Nacerino 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:**

**RESOLUTION #119**

**APPROVAL/REMOVAL OF BOARD MEMBER/ PUTNAM COUNTY HOME IMPROVEMENT BOARD**

**WHEREAS, by Resolution #271 of 2016 Erin Meagher was appointed to the Home Improvement Board for a term to expire December 31, 2017; and**

WHEREAS, the Home Improvement Board, at its monthly meeting held on April 11, 2017, voted on the recommendation to remove said member based upon absences from greater than 50% of their meetings within a one-year period, in accordance with Chapter 135 of the Putnam County Code, Section 135-6(F); and

WHEREAS, the Rules, Enactments & Intergovernmental Relations Committee reviewed and approved said recommendation at its meeting held on May 10, 2017; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Putnam County Legislature hereby approves the removal of Erin Meagher as a member of the Putnam County Home Improvement Board.

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

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

Item #6b – Approval/Fund Transfer (17T067)/Probation/Overtime was next. On behalf of the members of the Personnel Committee, Legislators Albano and Jonke, Chairwoman Nacerino moved the following:

RESOLUTION #120

**APPROVAL/FUND TRANSFER /PROBATION/OVERTIME**

WHEREAS, the Director of the Probation Department has requested a fund transfer (17T067) to cover Overtime due to vacant Receptionist Position; and

WHEREAS, the Personnel 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:

|                            |                |          |
|----------------------------|----------------|----------|
| 10314000 51000 (314010116) | Personnel Line | 6,842.45 |
|----------------------------|----------------|----------|

Increase:

|                |          |          |
|----------------|----------|----------|
| 10314000 51093 | Overtime | 6,842.45 |
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2017 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

2018 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

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

Item #6c – Ratification/ Collective Bargaining Agreement / PuMA was next. On behalf of the members of the Personnel Committee, Legislators Albano and Jonke, Chairwoman Nacerino moved the following:

RESOLUTION #121

**RATIFICATION / COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT / PuMA**

**WHEREAS, the negotiating teams for the Putnam Management Association (“PuMA”) and the County of Putnam (“the County”) met on March 24, 2015, April 23, 2015, May 14, 2015, August 6, 2015, November 18, 2015, December 14, 2015 and January 21, 2016 to discuss the proposed contract language and terms and conditions of employment; and**

**WHEREAS, PuMA and the County have come to an Agreement concerning the terms and conditions of the employment of its members for the years January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2018; and**

**WHEREAS, a Collective Bargaining Agreement (“CBA”) was executed by Putnam County Executive MaryEllen Odell and various representatives of the PuMA unit, in which all of the terms and conditions of employment of its members were outlined; and**

**WHEREAS, the membership of PuMA met on May 9, 2017 and ratified the CBA; and**

**WHEREAS, the Personnel Committee discussed and considered the terms of the CBA at its meeting held on May 10, 2017; and**

**WHEREAS, the Legislature is in agreement with the Administration and the negotiating team that the CBA is in the best interests of both the County and the membership of PuMA; now therefore be it**

**RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Legislature hereby approves and ratifies the Collective Bargaining Agreement, dated April 25, 2017, which was entered into with Putnam Management Association for the period of January 1, 2015 through and including December 31, 2018.**

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

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & ENERGY COMMITTEE  
(Chairwoman Addonizio, Legislators Gouldman & Sullivan)**

**Item #6d – Approval/Designation of Project Director/ Putnam County Visitors Bureau was next. Chairwoman Nacerino recognized Legislator Addonizio, Chairwoman of the Economic Development & Energy Committee. On behalf of the members of the Committee, Legislators Gouldman and Sullivan, Legislator Addonizio moved the following:**

**Legislator Scuccimarra stated that she is very impressed with Mr. Conklin’s ideas and inspirations for Putnam County.**

**Chairwoman Nacerino looked forward to Mr. Conklin providing an update at the Economic Development & Energy Committee meeting.**

**RESOLUTION #122**

**APPROVAL/DESIGNATION OF PROJECT DIRECTOR/ PUTNAM COUNTY VISITORS BUREAU**

**WHEREAS, the Putnam County Visitors Bureau, Inc. was appointed by the County Legislature as the County’s Tourist Promotion Agency by Resolution #160 of 2016; and**

**WHEREAS, on March 1, 2017, the Putnam County Visitors Bureau, Inc. unanimously appointed Bruce Conklin as the Executive Director of the Putnam County Visitors Bureau, Inc.; and**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the requirements of New York State's Tourism Matching Funds Program, administered by Empire State Development, the County Legislature is required to approve any action appointing a change in the Project Director; and

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Visitors Bureau now seeks approval for Mr. Conklin to be appointed Project Director enabling him to administer the "I Love NY Tourism Matching Funds Guidelines"; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Legislature hereby designates Bruce Conklin, Project Director for the Putnam County Visitors Bureau enabling him to administer the "I Love NY Tourism Matching Funds" on behalf of Putnam County.

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

**PHYSICAL SERVICES COMMITTEE**  
(Chairman Albano, Legislators Castellano & Scuccimarra)

Item #6e – Approval/Budgetary Amendment (17A027)/Highways & Facilities/ 2017 CHIPS Capital Project Budget was next. Chairwoman Nacerino recognized Legislator Albano, Chairman of the Physical Services Committee. On behalf of the members of the Committee, Legislators Castellano and Scuccimarra, Legislator Albano moved the following:

RESOLUTION # 123

**APPROVAL/BUDGETARY AMENDMENT /HIGHWAYS & FACILITIES/ 2017 CHIPS CAPITAL PROJECT BUDGET**

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Finance has requested a budgetary amendment (17A027) to amend the 2017 CHIPS County Capital Project Budget to equal the adopted NYS Budget; and

WHEREAS, the Physical 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 Estimated Appropriations:

|                      |            |         |
|----------------------|------------|---------|
| 55197000 53000 51707 | CHIPS 2017 | 330,548 |
|----------------------|------------|---------|

Increase Estimated Revenues:

|                       |                        |         |
|-----------------------|------------------------|---------|
| 55197000 435011 51707 | State Aid – CHIPS 2017 | 330,548 |
|-----------------------|------------------------|---------|

2017 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

2018 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

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

Item #6f – Approval/Revised Fee Schedule/ Putnam County Veterans Memorial Park / Highways & Facilities was next. On behalf of the members of the Physical Services Committee, Legislators Castellano and Scuccimarra, Legislator Albano moved the following:

Legislative Counsel Representative, First Deputy County Attorney, Andrew Negro requested this item to be tabled to the Physical Committee. He explained that there were further changes to be made such as referencing the previous resolution and some fees that were previously not included.

Legislator Albano made a motion to table this item; seconded by Chairwoman Nacerino. All in favor.

**APPROVAL/REVISED FEE SCHEDULE/ PUTNAM COUNTY VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK / HIGHWAYS & FACILITIES**

WHEREAS, the park fees have remained relatively low in the County for many years; and

WHEREAS, in order to properly operate and maintain the parks an increase in fees is necessary; and

WHEREAS, the Deputy Commissioner of Parks has consulted with the Putnam County Veterans Memorial Park Advisory Board regarding a change in fee schedule; and

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Veterans Memorial Park Advisory Board has discussed the proposed modifications to the fee schedule; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that fees for usage of the Putnam Veterans Memorial Park, Community Gardens at Tilly Foster Farm and other miscellaneous items are hereby revised in accordance with the attached document titled "Putnam County Park Fees."

**PROTECTIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE  
(Chairman Gouldman, Legislators Castellano & Jonke)**

Item #6g – Approval/ Budgetary Transfer (17T094)/Sheriff's Department/Overtime/ Town of Southeast Fireworks was next. Chairwoman Nacerino recognized Legislator Gouldman, Chairman of the Protective Services Committee. On behalf of the members of the Committee, Legislators Castellano and Jonke, Legislator Gouldman moved the following:

Legislator Jonke stated that there was quite a bit of discussion on this matter and through the cooperation of the Undersheriff and Captain Christian he believed it was a reasonable amount for this great event that will take place in the Town of Southeast on July 1<sup>st</sup>. He believed this was a win, win for the County.

Legislator Castellano concurred and stated that it was a fantastic event and a great training opportunity for the Sheriff's Department with the general public, given the world we live in today. He believed it was money well spent in keeping our citizens safe.

Chairwoman Nacerino stated that the feasibility on whether or not we can sustain this moving forward was also discussed in Committee. She stated that she would like to see this addressed earlier next year to address the fiscal restraints.

Legislator Albano concurred with his colleagues.

**RESOLUTION #124**

**APPROVAL/ BUDGETARY TRANSFER /SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT/ OVERTIME/ TOWN OF SOUTHEAST FIREWORKS**

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Department has requested a budgetary transfer (17T094) to provide funding for Deputy Sheriff Overtime expected to be incurred at the Town of Southeast Fireworks show on July 1, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Protective Services 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:**

|                |          |            |
|----------------|----------|------------|
| 17311000 51093 | Overtime | 12,977     |
| 17311000 58002 | FICA     | <u>993</u> |
|                |          | 13,970     |

**Decrease:**

|                |             |        |
|----------------|-------------|--------|
| 10199000 54980 | Contingency | 13,970 |
|----------------|-------------|--------|

2017 Fiscal Impact \$13,970

2018 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

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

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

Item #6h – Approval/Renewal of Crime Assistance Program Grant/ Child Advocacy Center was next. Chairwoman Nacerino recognized Legislator Scuccimarra, Chairwoman of the Health, Social, Educational & Environmental Committee. On behalf of the members of the Committee, Legislators Addonizio and Gouldman, Legislator Scuccimarra moved the following:

**RESOLUTION #125**

**APPROVAL/RENEWAL OF CRIME ASSISTANCE PROGRAM GRANT/ CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER**

WHEREAS, Section 5-1(D)(1) of the Putnam County Code requires Legislative approval of all grant applications and subsequent thereof; and

WHEREAS, previously, the New York state Office of Victim Services, by and through the Crime Victims Board, awarded the County of Putnam a grant to be administered by the Child Advocacy Center of Putnam County for the Victim Assistance Program; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution #301 of 2014 the Putnam County Legislature approved and authorized the application for renewal of the grant in the amount of \$336,468.25 for the period of October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2017 (3 years); and

WHEREAS, the Office of Victim Services has now awarded Putnam County a two-year renewal option for the current grant; and

WHEREAS, this renewal will cover the period October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the annual award amounts are as follows: 2017-2018 \$169,232.50 and 2018-2019 \$176,001.80 which reflect an increase of \$8,766.05; and

WHEREAS, the County of Putnam desires to renew the grant in the amount of \$345,234.30 for the above referenced period; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Legislature hereby authorizes and approves the renewal of the Victim Assistance Program grant in the amount of \$345,234.30 for the period of October 1, 2017 through September 30, 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 any such agreements as may be necessary to implement the intent and purpose of this resolution; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

**AUDIT & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE**  
(Chairman Castellano, Legislators Jonke & Sullivan)

Item #6i – Approval/Budgetary Amendment (17A028)/Commissioner of Finance/Vacancy Control Factor January – April 2017 was next. Chairwoman Nacerino recognized Legislator Castellano, Chairman of the Audit & Administration Committee. On behalf of the members of the Committee, Legislators Jonke and Sullivan, Legislator Castellano moved the following:

**RESOLUTION #126**

**APPROVAL/BUDGETARY AMENDMENT /COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE/ VACANCY CONTROL FACTOR JANUARY – APRIL 2017**

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Finance has requested a budgetary amendment (17A028) to provide for the Vacancy Control Factor for January through April 2017; and

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

RESOLVED, that the following budgetary amendment be made:

**GENERAL FUND:**

**Decrease Estimated Appropriations:**

|                    |                   |              |
|--------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| SEE ATTACHED SHEET | Personal Services | 148,181      |
| SEE ATTACHED SHEET | FICA              | 11,336       |
| SEE ATTACHED SHEET | Dental            | 2,974        |
| SEE ATTACHED SHEET | Life Insurance    | 712          |
| SEE ATTACHED SHEET | Health Insurance  | 37,595       |
| SEE ATTACHED SHEET | Vision            | 243          |
| SEE ATTACHED SHEET | Flex Plan         | <u>2,333</u> |
|                    |                   | 203,374      |

**Decrease Estimated Revenues:**

|                 |                        |         |
|-----------------|------------------------|---------|
| 10131000 427705 | Vacancy Control Factor | 203,374 |
|-----------------|------------------------|---------|

2017 Fiscal Impact – 0 –  
2018 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

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

Item #6j – Approval/Budgetary Transfer (17T080)/Commissioner of Finance/Provide Funding for Contract Settlement / Putnam Management Association (PuMA) was next. On behalf of the members of the Audit & Administration Committee, Legislators Jonke and Sullivan, Legislator Castellano moved the following:

RESOLUTION #127

**APPROVAL/BUDGETARY TRANSFER /COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE/PROVIDE FUNDING FOR CONTRACT SETTLEMENT / PUTNAM MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION (PUMA)**

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Finance has requested a budgetary transfer (17T080) to provide funding for the 2017 salary and benefit costs pursuant to the ratified contract settlement between Putnam County and the Putnam Management Association (PuMA); and

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

RESOLVED, that the following budgetary transfer be made:

**Increase Estimated Appropriations:**

|                |                    |        |
|----------------|--------------------|--------|
| 10033000 51000 | Personnel Services | 7,786  |
| 10033000 51010 | Retro Pay          | 5,725  |
| 10033000 58002 | Social Security    | 1,031  |
| 10108000 51000 | Personnel Services | 8,694  |
| 10108000 51010 | Retro Pay          | 6,126  |
| 10108000 58002 | Social Security    | 1,134  |
| 10116500 51000 | Personnel Services | 3,366  |
| 10116500 51010 | Retro Pay          | 1,595  |
| 10116500 58002 | Social Security    | 380    |
| 10120000 51000 | Personnel Services | 22,162 |
| 10120000 51010 | Retro Pay          | 16,110 |
| 10120000 58002 | Social Security    | 2,928  |
| 10134500 51000 | Personnel Services | 3,619  |
| 10134500 51010 | Retro Pay          | 2,508  |
| 10134500 58002 | Social Security    | 469    |
| 10142000 51000 | Personnel Services | 2,990  |
| 10142000 51010 | Retro Pay          | 2,010  |
| 10142000 58002 | Social Security    | 383    |
| 10143000 51000 | Personnel Services | 23,254 |
| 10143000 51010 | Retro Pay          | 10,662 |
| 10143000 58002 | Social Security    | 2,595  |
| 10149000 51000 | Personnel Services | 5,327  |
| 10149000 51010 | Retro Pay          | 3,975  |
| 10149000 58002 | Social Services    | 712    |
| 10401000 51000 | Personnel Services | 9,532  |
| 10401000 51010 | Retro Pay          | 7,808  |

|                |                    |            |
|----------------|--------------------|------------|
| 10401000 58002 | Social Security    | 1,327      |
| 10459000 51000 | Personnel Services | 5,426      |
| 10459000 51010 | Retro Pay          | 4,213      |
| 10459000 58002 | Social Security    | 737        |
| 10661000 51000 | Personnel Services | 6,761      |
| 10661000 51010 | Retro Pay          | 3,908      |
| 10661000 58002 | Social Security    | 816        |
| 10677300 51000 | Personnel Services | 7,767      |
| 10677300 51010 | Retro Pay          | 5,432      |
| 10677300 58002 | Social Security    | 1,010      |
| 10677400 51000 | Personnel Services | 3,498      |
| 10677400 51010 | Retro Pay          | 1,865      |
| 10677400 58002 | Social Security    | 410        |
| 12401000 51000 | Personnel Services | 12,651     |
| 12401000 51010 | Retro Pay          | 8,902      |
| 12401000 58002 | Social Security    | 1,649      |
| 22072000 51000 | Personnel Services | 4,292      |
| 22072000 51010 | Retro Pay          | 3,040      |
| 22072000 58002 | Social Security    | <u>561</u> |
|                |                    | 227,146    |

Decrease Estimate Appropriations:

|                |                  |            |
|----------------|------------------|------------|
| 10033000 58008 | Health Insurance | 972        |
| 10108000 58008 | Health Insurance | 1,945      |
| 10120000 58008 | Health Insurance | 2,917      |
| 10134500 58008 | Health Insurance | 972        |
| 10142000 58008 | Health Insurance | 425        |
| 10143000 58008 | Health Insurance | 2,917      |
| 10149000 58008 | Health Insurance | 425        |
| 10401000 58008 | Health Insurance | 972        |
| 10677300 58008 | Health Insurance | 972        |
| 12401000 58008 | Health Insurance | 1,397      |
| 22072000 58008 | Health Insurance | <u>972</u> |
|                |                  | 14,886     |

Decrease :

|                |             |         |
|----------------|-------------|---------|
| 10199000 54980 | Contingency | 212,260 |
|----------------|-------------|---------|

2017 Fiscal Impact \$227,146

2018 Fiscal Impact \$142,719

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

Item #6k – Approval/Semi-Annual Mortgage Tax Report/October 1, 2016 through March 31, 2017 was next. On behalf of the members of the Audit & Administration Committee, Legislators Jonke and Sullivan, Legislator Castellano moved the following:

RESOLUTION #128

APPROVAL/SEMI-ANNUAL MORTGAGE TAX REPORT/ OCTOBER 1, 2016 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2017

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 October 1, 2016 through March 31, 2017 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         | \$ 457,155.03         |
| Town of Kent           | 169,121.84            |
| Town of Patterson      | 105,409.03            |
| Town of Philipstown    |                       |
| Village of Cold Spring | 16,325.35             |
| Village of Nelsonville | 4,719.58              |
| Town Outside           | 203,980.52            |
| Town of Putnam Valley  | 180,931.17            |
| Town of Southeast      |                       |
| Village of Brewster    | 9,126.36              |
| Town Outside           | <u>271,110.14</u>     |
| Total                  | <u>\$1,417,879.02</u> |

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

Item #6L – Resolution Urging State Representatives to Co-Sponsor and Pass Legislation that will Require the State to Fully Fund the Cost of any New Mandate or the Expansion of any Existing Mandates on Local Governments or Schools was next. On behalf of the members of the Audit & Administration Committee, Legislators Jonke and Sullivan, Legislator Castellano moved the following:

Legislator Scuccimarra stated that these mandates are crippling the County. She believed that we could do so much more with our budget if 73% were not going towards mandates.

Chairwoman Nacerino stated that it seems the State keeps imposing more and more each year with offering little or no relief.

RESOLUTION #129

**RESOLUTION URGING STATE REPRESENTATIVES TO CO-SPONSOR AND PASS LEGISLATION THAT WILL REQUIRE THE STATE TO FULLY FUND THE COST OF ANY NEW MANDATE OR THE EXPANSION OF ANY EXISTING MANDATES ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS OR SCHOOLS**

**WHEREAS, counties have long had a central role in the administration and financing of a wide variety of state programs; and**

**WHEREAS, many municipalities in New York State face significant fiscal challenges that are amplified by a slow economic recovery and a state imposed restriction on local revenues; and**

**WHEREAS, in most instances, the county fiscal challenges are directly tied to state imposed mandates and reduced state reimbursement; and**

**WHEREAS, this year's enacted state budget shifted \$39 million more to the county taxpayers to fund Foster Care, a program that the state requires counties to provide and local taxpayers to fund; and**

**WHEREAS, this year's budget also requires counties to expand Indigent Legal Defense Services and implement the state's provisions to raise the age of criminal responsibility, which will require counties to hire more staff and expand services; and**

**WHEREAS, this same budget requires counties and local governments to take actions that will reduce property taxes; and**

**WHEREAS, the hard cap on county Medicaid costs and pension reforms have been very helpful for local governments operations but more reform needs to be done to enable local governments to provide local services, pay for state mandates and stay under the state imposed property tax cap; and**

**WHEREAS, on January 13, 2017 and January 23, 2017 respectively, Senator Joseph A. Griffo and Assemblyman Anthony Brindisi, proposed legislation (S.2323/A.2922) that would require the State to fully fund the cost of any new mandate or the expansion of an existing mandate that is placed on local governments or schools; and**

**WHEREAS, passing this bill is a good first step in helping county and local government leaders to protect homeowners and businesses from increasing local taxes to pay for new and expanded mandates from the state; and**

**WHEREAS, Putnam County wishes to renew the "Mayday for Mandate Relief" campaign to call attention to the impact state mandates have on local property taxes; now therefore be it**

**RESOLVED, Putnam County asks Senator Terrence Murphy, Senator Sue Serino, Assemblywoman Sandy Galef and Assemblyman Kevin Byrne to consider co-sponsoring the proposed legislation (S.2323/A.2922) and ultimately to pass said legislation, which would require the State to fully fund the cost of any new mandate or the expansion of an existing mandate that is placed on local government or schools; and be it further**

**RESOLVED, the Clerk of the Putnam County Legislature is directed to forward copies of this resolution to Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, Senator Terrence Murphy, Senator Sue Serino, Senator Joseph A. Griffo, Assemblyman Kevin Byrne, Assemblywoman Sandy Galef, Assemblyman Anthony Brindisi, NYSAC and all others deemed necessary and proper.**

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

Item #6m – Approval/ Support of Putnam County’s Limited Exemption of Sales and Use Tax on Purchases of Qualified Clothing and Footwear was next. On behalf of the members of the Audit & Administration Committee, Legislators Jonke and Sullivan, Legislator Castellano moved the following:

Legislator Castellano explained that this request has gone to the State for the last several years. He stated that we hope we receive a positive response this year.

Chairwoman Nacerino stated that she is very supportive of this and believed that any relief to our young families would be significantly helpful.

Legislator Gouldman stated that last year we approved the same resolution and it was approved out of the Senate, but not the Assembly. He hoped that this year the Assembly would do the right thing for Putnam County to help our families that would benefit from this legislation. He believed it was a wonderful idea and hoped that it would be approved in Albany.

#### **RESOLUTION #130**

#### **APPROVAL/ IN SUPPORT OF PUTNAM COUNTY’S LIMITED EXEMPTION OF SALES AND USE TAX ON PURCHASES OF QUALIFIED CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR**

WHEREAS, pursuant to authority granted under Article 29 of the New York State Tax Law, Putnam County may elect to exempt from imposing sales and use tax on purchases of qualified clothing and footwear; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Article 29 of the New York State Tax Law, the exemption of sales and use tax imposed by a County on purchases of qualified clothing and footwear is a year round commitment and a County’s election or repeal of such exemption may only be effectuated annually on March 1<sup>st</sup>; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive proposes that a limited “sales tax free holiday,” more specifically, exemption of Putnam County’s sales and use tax collected on purchases of qualified clothing and footwear during a specific ten-day period in 2017, more particularly, August 14<sup>th</sup> through August 23<sup>rd</sup>, will, among other things, improve retail sales, realize cost benefits to retailers, create jobs and promote economic growth in Putnam County; and

WHEREAS, Bills were sponsored both in the Senate (Murphy-R) and the Assembly (Byrne-R) under Bill Nos. S305 and A07306, respectively, for an act to amend the tax law in relation to authorizing the County of Putnam to exempt from county sales and compensating use taxes purchases of qualified clothing and footwear during the period August 14-23, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive also proposes that in developing a limited “sales tax free holiday,” Putnam County, working together in a private-public partnership with, among others, the Putnam County Chambers of Commerce and the Putnam County Economic Development Corporation (the “EDC”), will promote and encourage small business growth in Putnam County, which is ultimately in the best interests of Putnam County and its taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Legislature supports and desires to implement the County Executive’s proposal to effectuate a limited exemption of sales and use tax on purchases of qualified clothing and footwear; and

WHEREAS, the most effective manner of implementing such a change is for the Putnam County Legislature to request, as authorized under Municipal Home Rule Law

§10, that the New York State Legislature amend relevant New York State Tax Law such that Putnam County may elect to exempt from collection of the County portion of sales and use tax on purchases of qualified clothing and footwear and only for the limited period of August 14 through August 23, 2017; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Legislature hereby requests that the New York State Legislature adopt a Bill, in form and substance to the proposed Bill No. S305 and Bill No. A07306, annexed hereto, to amend New York State Tax Law Article 29 by the addition of a new subsection which would be applicable to Putnam County, permitting Putnam County to effectuate its election to exempt the County's portion of the sales and use tax on purchases of qualified clothing and footwear from August 14<sup>th</sup> through August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2017, notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Legislature authorizes the County Executive and the Clerk of the Legislature to file a Home Rule Message for this request under Assembly Bill No. A07306 and Senate Bill No. S305 for the Bill entitled "AN ACT to amend the tax law, in relation to authorizing the County of Putnam to exempt from county sales and compensating use taxes certain clothing and footwear, during the period commencing on August fourteenth and through August twenty-third, two thousand seventeen."

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

#### **Item #8 – Recognition of Public**

Lynne Eckardt, Town of Southeast Councilwoman believed it would be helpful to the public to disclose the amount budgeted for the overtime (Item #6g – Town of Southeast Fireworks). She recognized that the Legislature stressed the need for an accurate crowd count at this event. She believed that it would be extremely helpful for next year.

#### **Item #9 – Recognition of Legislators**

Legislator Gouldman stated that today is "D Day". On June 6, 1944 the allies invaded Western Europe in the largest attack in history. He also provided information on the number of fatal crashes caused by intoxicated drivers and the penalties involved when convicted. He asked that people please not drink and drive.

Legislator Jonke wished a "Happy Birthday" to Former Assemblyman Will Stephens, Sr. who will turn 92 years old tomorrow. He also wished all the Dads a "Happy Father's Day."

Chairwoman Nacerino extended congratulations to all the graduates this year, from pre-school graduates through college graduates.

There being no further business, at 7:25 P.M., Chairwoman Nacerino made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Legislator Albano. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted by Diane Schonfeld, Clerk.