



<b>Pegasus Program Promotional Materials 10088000 54329</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Miscellaneous 10088000 54989</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>3,000</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 0**

**BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR MONTGOMERY WAS NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE. MOTION CARRIES.**

**Item #3 - Mental Health Administration – OASAS Abatement Funds – Reduce Revenue from \$284,153 to \$218,179 was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:**

**Commissioner of Finance Michael Lewis stated that this is \$65,000 less in revenue. He stated that the adjustment is making sure the revenue is equaling the expenditures. He stated that it is 100% funding.**

**Mental Health Administration**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>OASAS Abatement Funds Revenue 10431000 434983 10206</b>	<b>(284,153)</b>	<b>(218,179)</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 65,974**

**BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR MONTGOMERY WAS NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE. MOTION CARRIES.**

**Item #4 – Mental Health Administration – Vehicle Leasing/Rental – Increase from One (1) car to Two (2) Cars – From \$8,000 to \$16,560 was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:**

**Mental Health Administration**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>Vehicle Leasing/Rental (Include 2<sup>nd</sup> Car Requested) 10431000 54210</b>	<b>8,000</b>	<b>16,560</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 8,560**

**Adjust Revenue Accordingly.**

**BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR MONTGOMERY WAS NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE. MOTION CARRIES.**

**Item #5 – Office For Disabled – Computer Equipment – Not Covered by Grant – Move to DGS and Designate for Office For Disabled was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:**

**Office For Disabled**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>Computer Equipment 10198900 52130</b>	<b>1,650</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>IT Computer Equipment 10168000 52130 (Designate for Office for Disabled)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,650</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 0**

**BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR MONTGOMERY WAS NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE. MOTION CARRIES.**

**Item #6 – Social Services Department Administration – Computer Equipment – Increase from \$0 to \$47,500 was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:**

**Legislator Gouldman questioned if there was any other way of doing this without spending \$47,500 on computers.**

**Commissioner of Finance Lewis stated after the Tentative Budget was presented, we realized that when the original request was taken out, we did not factor in the offsetting revenue. In speaking with Auditor Sharkey and Kristen Wunner from Social Services, we decided to leave it in because the revenue is already reflected in the 2025 budget, so there will be a zero fiscal impact.**

**Legislator Sayegh believed that this money is coming out of the abatement funds. They do have grant funding for this.**

**Commissioner of Finance Lewis stated that his understanding was that it was going to be for Medicaid and Administration. He stated that it is covered by grant funding.**

**Social Services Department – Administration**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>Computer Equipment 10104000 52130</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>23,750</b>
<b>Computer Equipment 10120000 52130</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>23,750</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 47,500**

**BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR MONTGOMERY WAS NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE. MOTION CARRIES.**

**Item #7 – Social Services Department Administration – Chargeback Contracts - Increase to Requested Two (2) Special Patrol Officers (SPO) - \$68,632 to \$82,076 was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:**

**Legislator Gouldman questioned if this was a chargeback from one (1) account to another account.**

**Commissioner of Finance Lewis stated that was correct. The \$82,076 is reflected in the Social Services revenue line.**

**Social Services Department – Administration**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>Chargeback Contracts</b> (Restore to requested two (2) Special Patrol Officers) <b>10120000 55646</b>	<b>68,632</b>	<b>82,076</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 13,444**

**BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR MONTGOMERY WAS NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE. MOTION CARRIES.**

**Item #8 – Social Services Department – Juvenile Delinquent & PINS – Move Miscellaneous amount to Contracts was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:**

**Social Services Department**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>Juvenile Delinquent &amp; PINS Miscellaneous 10612300 54989</b>	<b>153,212</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Contracts 10612300 54646</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>153,212</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 0**

**BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR MONTGOMERY WAS NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE. MOTION CARRIES.**

**Item #9 – Social Services Department – Putnam Workforce Partnership – Increase Revenue - WIA Adult CFDA 17.258 and WIA Dislocated Worker was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:**

**Social Services Department**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>Putnam Workforce Partnership WIA Adult CFDA 17.258 Revenue 10629300 447912</b>	<b>(71,926)</b>	<b>(76,866)</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: (4,940)**

<b>WIA Dislocated Worker 17.260 Revenue 10629300 447917</b>	<b>(164,833)</b>	<b>(176,154)</b>
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**A DIFFERENCE OF: (11,321)**

**A TOTAL DIFFERENCE OF: (16,261)**

**BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR MONTGOMERY WAS NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE. MOTION CARRIES.**

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

**Item #10 – County Clerk – Contingency Fund - 2.75% COLA Increase – Move out of Subcontingency (Rev/Exp Page 58 & Pers. Page 9) was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:**

**Legislator Crowley proceeded to read her comments. She believed that any raises or salary adjustments for elected officials should be kept in subcontingency until all outstanding collective bargaining agreements for our public work force have been fully addressed. She believed that it was our duty as public servants to ensure these issues are addressed before we consider these raises for ourselves. She believed that our role was to lead by example.**

**Legislator Nacerino hoped that the contracts come to fruition sooner than later, however, it should be noted that every member of the union will have retroactive pay once those contracts are executed.**

**Chairman Jonke stated that the County Clerk’s salary has nothing to do with union contracts.**

**Legislator Castellano concurred. He stated that this is not a merit raise, it is a cost-of-living adjustment (COLA), and as we all know the cost of living has skyrocketed. He stated that this is a person well deserving of this small 2.75% COLA increase, as well as**

our other elected officials. He did not see the purpose of holding this up for union contracts. He hoped that the unions would come to the table, negotiate in good faith, and receive fair COLA increases. He believed this was a fair thing to do for our employees.

Legislator Crowley stated that she was not against the increase. She was just asking that it be held in subcontingency until we finalize the contracts.

Legislator Castellano stated that the County Clerk has nothing to do with negotiating union contracts. He believed that holding him hostage for the 2.75% COLA increase was not fair.

Legislator Nacerino concurred. She believed that one (1) has nothing to do with the other.

**Contingency Fund**

	FROM:	TO:
Subcontingency 10199000 54990 (County Clerk 2.75% COLA)	4,391	0

**A DIFFERENCE OF: (4,391)**

**County Clerk**

	FROM:	TO:
County Clerk 10141000 51000 (101) (2.75% COLA Increase)	148,312	152,391

FICA 10141000 58002	0	312
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**A DIFFERENCE OF: 4,391**

Adjust fringes and revenue accordingly.

**BY ROLL CALL VOTE: SEVEN AYES. ONE NAY – LEGISLATOR CROWLEY. ONE ABSTENTION – LEGISLATOR MONTGOMERY. MOTION CARRIES.**

Item #11 – Sheriff - Contingency Fund – 2.75% COLA Increase – Move out of Subcontingency was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:

Legislator Castellano explained that the Putnam County Sheriff’s Department Police Benevolent Association, Inc. (PBA) is under contract. He hoped that the Civil Service Employee’s Association, Inc. (CSEA) would be settled soon, but he is not privy to that information. He stated that this too is a COLA increase for the Sheriff who has nothing to do with negotiating with the unions still without a contract.

**Contingency Fund**

	FROM:	TO:
<b>Subcontingency</b> <b>10199000 54991</b> (Sheriff 2.75% COLA)	<b>5,043</b>	<b>0</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: (5,043)**

**Sheriff's Department**

	FROM:	TO:
<b>Sheriff</b> <b>10311000 51000 (101)</b> (2.75% COLA Increase)	<b>170,376</b>	<b>175,061</b>

<b>FICA</b> <b>10311000 58002</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>358</b>
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**A DIFFERENCE OF: 5,043**

**Adjust fringes and revenue accordingly.**

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

**Item #12 – Coroners - Contingency Fund – 2.75% COLA Increase – Move out of Subcontingency was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:**

**Contingency Fund**

	FROM:	TO:
<b>Subcontingency</b> <b>10199000 54992</b> (Coroners 2.75% COLA)	<b>2,280</b>	<b>0</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: (2,280)**

**Coroner's Office**

	FROM:	TO:
<b>Coroner</b> <b>10118500 51000 (101)</b> (2.75% COLA Increase)	<b>25,688</b>	<b>26,394</b>

<b>Coroner</b> <b>10118500 51000 (102)</b> (2.75% COLA Increase)	<b>25,688</b>	<b>26,394</b>
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<b>Coroner</b> <b>10118500 51000 (103)</b> (2.75% COLA Increase)	<b>25,688</b>	<b>26,394</b>
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<b>FICA</b>		
<b>10118500 58002</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>162</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 2,280**

**Adjust fringes and revenue accordingly.**

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

**Item #13 – Legislature/Auditing - Contingency Fund – Legislators 2.75% COLA Increase – Move out of Subcontingency was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:**

**Chairman Jonke explained that this only pertained to the Legislators.**

**Legislator Gouldman stated that he would like to keep this in subcontingency until all the union contracts are settled.**

**Legislator Crowley concurred.**

**Legislator Ellner stated during the vote that he would be refusing his increase.**

**Contingency Fund**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>Subcontingency</b>		
<b>10199000 54997</b>	<b>12,467</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>(Legislators 2.75% COLA)</b>		

**A DIFFERENCE OF: (12,467)**

**Legislature**

**Legislators**

**(2.75% COLA Increase)**

<b>10101001 51000 (101)</b>	<b>45,518</b>	<b>46,770</b>
<b>10101001 51000 (102)</b>	<b>45,518</b>	<b>46,770</b>
<b>10101001 51000 (103)</b>	<b>45,518</b>	<b>46,770</b>
<b>10101001 51000 (104)</b>	<b>45,518</b>	<b>46,770</b>
<b>10101001 51000 (105)</b>	<b>45,518</b>	<b>46,770</b>
<b>10101001 51000 (106)</b>	<b>45,518</b>	<b>46,770</b>
<b>10101001 51000 (107)</b>	<b>45,518</b>	<b>46,770</b>
<b>10101001 51000 (108)</b>	<b>45,518</b>	<b>46,770</b>
<b>10101001 51000 (109)</b>	<b>45,518</b>	<b>46,770</b>

**Legislative Stipend**

<b>10101001 51000 (190)</b>	<b>11,380</b>	<b>11,693</b>
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10101001 58002 0 886

A DIFFERENCE OF: 12,467

Adjust fringes and revenue accordingly.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: SIX AYES. THREE NAYS – LEGISLATORS CROWLEY,  
GOULDMAN & MONTGOMERY. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #14 – Legislature/Auditing – Contingency Fund – Legislative Staff 2.75% COLA  
Increase – Move out of Subcontingency was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:

**Contingency Fund**

	FROM:	TO:
Subcontingency 10199000 54997 (Legislature/Auditing 2.75% COLA)	10,368	0

A DIFFERENCE OF: (10,368)

**Legislature**

	FROM:	TO:
Clerk to Legislature 10101001 51000 (110) (2.75% COLA Increase)	116,762	119,973
Deputy Clerk 10101001 51000 (111) (2.75% COLA Increase)	95,361	97,983
Administrative Assistant 10101001 51000 (113) (2.75% COLA Increase)	65,571	67,374
Administrative Assistant 10101001 51000 (114) (2.75% COLA Increase)	72,530	74,525

FICA  
10101001 58002 0 737

A DIFFERENCE OF: 10,368

Adjust fringes and revenue accordingly.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**Item #15 – Legislature/Auditing – Contingency Fund – County Auditor & Staff 2.75% COLA Increase – Move out of Subcontingency was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:**

**Contingency Fund**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>Subcontingency</b> <b>10199000 54997</b> (Legislature/Auditing 2.75% COLA)	<b>9,163</b>	<b>0</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: (9,163)**

**County Auditor**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>County Auditor</b> <b>10132000 51000 (101)</b> (2.75% COLA Increase)	<b>130,305</b>	<b>133,888</b>
<b>Deputy County Auditor</b> <b>10132000 51000 (103)</b> (2.75% COLA Increase)	<b>107,120</b>	<b>110,066</b>
<b>Audit Manager</b> <b>10132000 51000 (102)</b> (2.75% COLA Increase)	<b>72,100</b>	<b>74,083</b>
<b>FICA</b> <b>10132000 58002</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>651</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 9,163**

**Adjust fringes and revenue accordingly.**

**BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Item #16 – County Executive - Contingency Fund – 2.75% COLA Increase – Move out of Subcontingency was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:**

**Legislator Goldman believed it should remain in subcontingency until the union contracts are settled.**

**Contingency Fund**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>Subcontingency</b> <b>10199000 54993</b>	<b>5,211</b>	<b>0</b>

(County Executive 2.75% COLA)

**A DIFFERENCE OF: (5,211)**

**County Executive**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>County Executive</b>		
<b>10123000 51000 (101)</b>	<b>176,022</b>	<b>180,863</b>
(2.75% COLA Increase)		

<b>FICA</b>		
<b>10123000 58002</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>370</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 5,211**

**Adjust fringes and revenue accordingly.**

**BY ROLL CALL VOTE: SIX AYES. THREE NAYS – LEGISLATORS CROWLEY, GOULDMAN & MONTGOMERY. MOTION CARRIES.**

**RULES, ENACTMENTS & INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE**  
(Chairwoman Addonizio, Legislators Ellner & Nacerino)

**Item #17 – Veterans Service Agency – Temporary – Increase to Requested Amount was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:**

**Veterans Service Agency**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>Temporary</b>		
<b>10651000 51094</b>	<b>15,000</b>	<b>30,000</b>

<b>FICA</b>		
<b>10651000 58002</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,148</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 16,148**

**Adjust fringes and revenue accordingly.**

**BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**PHYSICAL SERVICES COMMITTEE**  
(Chairman Ellner, Legislators Castellano & Crowley)

**Item #18 – Veterans Home – Zero Out Natural Gas, Electric & Security Monitoring and Rental lines – Accounted for by DGS was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:**

Legislator Gouldman questioned if this was being covered by another line.

Commissioner of Finance Lewis stated it was a duplicate. We are just zeroing it out.

**Veterans Home**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
(Accounted for by DGS)		
<b>Natural Gas</b>		
<b>10651100 54630</b>	<b>5,000</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Electric</b>		
<b>10651100 54631</b>	<b>4,700</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Security Monitoring &amp; Rental</b>		
<b>10651100 54637</b>	<b>2,500</b>	<b>0</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: (12,200)**

**BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**PROTECTIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE**  
**(Chairwoman Nacerino, Legislators Addonizio & Sayegh)**

**Item #19 – Sheriff’s Department – Motor Vehicles (2 UTVs) – Increase to \$72,498**  
**Requested Amount was next.**

Chairman Jonke stated that he is requesting that this be removed from the agenda because Commissioner Lewis advised him earlier today that he was able to secure funds from this year’s 2024 budget to purchase two (2) UTVs. He stated that this will no longer be necessary for the 2025 budget.

Chairman Jonke made a motion to remove it from the agenda; seconded by Legislators Gouldman and Nacerino. All in favor.

Legislator Montgomery questioned where the vehicles will be kept.

Putnam County Sheriff Kevin McConville stated that they were looking to keep one (1) on each side of the County depending on available space.

**Sheriff’s Department**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>Motor Vehicles (2 ATVs)</b>		
<b>13311000 52650</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>72,498</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 72,498**

**Item #20 – Sheriff’s Department Communications – Crisis Intervention Teams Grant – Federal Aid – Reduce Revenue was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:**

**Sheriff’s Department - Communications**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>Crisis Intervention Teams Grant Federal Aid – CRDA 16.710 CIT Revenue 13311000 444900 10211</b>	<b>(44,500)</b>	<b>(37,610)</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 6,890**

**BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Item #21 – Sheriff’s Department Communications – Threat Assessment Mgmt Grant – Increase Revenue was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:**

**Sheriff’s Department - Communications**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>Threat Assessment Mgmt Grant Homeland Security SHSP Revenue 13311000 440891 10218</b>	<b>(85,845)</b>	<b>(104,215)</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: (18,370)**

**BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Item #22 – Sheriff’s Department Civil Division – Increase Temporary to Requested Amount was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:**

**Sheriff’s Department – Civil Division**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>Temporary 15311000 51094</b>	<b>22,140</b>	<b>24,000</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 1,860**

**Adjust Fringes accordingly.**

**BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. ONE ABSTENTION – LEGISLATOR CROWLEY. MOTION CARRIES.**

Item #23 – Sheriff Patrol Services State – Police Traffic Services Program (Traffic Safety Grant) and Buckle Up Grant - Increase Revenue and Overtime was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:

**Sheriff Patrol Services State**

	FROM:	TO:
Police Traffic Services Program (Traffic Safety Grant) Police Traffic Serv CFDA20.600 Revenue 17311002 443893 10021	(12,144)	(12,760)
Overtime 17311002 51093 10021	12,144	12,760
Buckle Up Grant Revenue 17311002 443899 10024	0	(4,400)
Overtime 17311002 51093 10024	0	4,400

A DIFFERENCE OF: 0

Adjust Fringes accordingly.

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item #24 – Sheriff Security Services – Increase Temporary was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:

Legislator Gouldman questioned what this was for.

Putnam County Sheriff Kevin McConville stated that it was the temporary line for the Special Police Officers (SPO).

**Sheriff Security Services**

	FROM:	TO:
Temporary 19311000 51094	145,000	186,000
FICA 19311000 58002	21,164	24,301

Adjust fringes accordingly.

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 44,137**

**BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE  
(Chairman Jonke, Legislators Castellano & Nacerino)**

**Item #25 – District Attorney – Increase salary from \$5,000 to \$8,000 – No Proposed Stipend of \$5,000 was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:**

**District Attorney**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>Chief Assistant DA 10116500 51000 (9103)</b>	<b>5,000</b>	<b>8,000</b>
<b>FICA 10116500 58002</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>230</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 3,230**

**Adjust fringes & revenue accordingly.**

**BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Item #26 – Health Department – Nursing – Requested Reclass to Supervising Public Health Nurse of \$7,000 and Upgrades for all Nurses \$63,560 – Move to Subcontingency was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:**

**Health Department – Nursing**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>Requested Reclass to Supervising Public Health Nurse \$7,000 and Upgrades for all Nurses \$63,560 Move to Subcontingency 10199000 54987</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>70,560</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 70,560**

**BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Item #27 – Mental Health – OASAS Abatement – Youth Director – Split with Youth Bureau & DSS – Increase from \$6,192 to \$11,192 was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:**

**Mental Health – OASAS Abatement**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>Youth Director (731010904) Split with Youth Bureau &amp; DSS (covered by Opioid Abatement Funds) 10431000 51000 10206</b>	<b>6,192</b>	<b>11,192</b>
<b>FICA 10431000 58002 10206</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>383</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 5,383**

**Adjust fringes & revenue accordingly.**

**BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Item #28 – Mental Health – OASAS Abatement – Reclass to Director of CAC – Split with CAC & DSS Administration – Increase from \$11,729 to \$16,729 was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:**

**Mental Health – OASAS Abatement**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>Reclass to Director of CAC (601303103) Split with CAC &amp; DSS Adm 10431000 51000 10206</b>	<b>11,729</b>	<b>16,729</b>
<b>FICA 10431000 58002 10206</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>383</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 5,383**

**Adjust fringes & revenue accordingly.**

**BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Item #29 – Mental Health – OASAS Abatement – Fiscal Manager – Split with Mental Health & DSS Administration – Increase from \$7,540 to \$12,717 was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:**

**Mental Health – OASAS Abatement**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>Fiscal Manager (601020924) Salary Adjustment Split with Mental Health &amp; DSS Adm</b>		

10431000 51000 10206	7,540	12,717
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10431000 58002 10206	0	396
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A DIFFERENCE OF: 5,573

Adjust fringes & revenue accordingly.

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item #30 – Mental Health – OASAS Abatement – Revenue – 100% Funded for Changes to Youth Director, Director of CAC and Fiscal Manager was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:

Mental Health – OASAS Abatement

	FROM:	TO:
Revenue		
100% Funded for Changes to Youth Director, Director of CAC and Fiscal Manager		
10431000 434983 10206	(218,179)	(234,578)

A DIFFERENCE OF: (16,399)

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item #31 – Bureau of Emergency Services – Public Information Officer Stipend – Place into Subcontingency was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:

Bureau of Emergency Services

	FROM:	TO:
Public Information Officer Stipend		
10398900 51000 (123010907)	2,500	0
Subcontingency		
10199000 54987	0	2,500

A DIFFERENCE OF: 0

Adjust fringes & revenue accordingly.

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**Item #32 – Bureau of Emergency Services – Confidential Secretary – Salary Adjustment - Increase from \$2,500 to \$7,500 was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:**

**Bureau of Emergency Services**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>Confidential Secretary 10398900 51000 (909)</b>	<b>2,500</b>	<b>7,500</b>
<b>FICA 10398900 58002</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>383</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 5,383**

**BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Item #33– Sheriff’s Department Bureau of Criminal Investigation – Deputy Sheriff Criminal Investigator – Restore Requested Position was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:**

**Legislator Gouldman questioned if this was the new position.**

**Chairman Jonke said, “yes”. He explained that the Sheriff’s request to the Administration for a new Criminal Investigation position was denied. He stated at the Personnel Budget Committee meeting, the Committee voted in favor of moving this forward.**

**Sheriff’s Department – BCI**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>Deputy Sheriff Criminal Investigator 32311000 51000 (118)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>127,783</b>
<b>Adjust fringes &amp; revenue accordingly.</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>59,517</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 187,300**

**BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Item #34 – Sheriff’s Department – Amend Salaries of Captains, Correction Captains, Lieutenants and Undersheriff keeping a Percentage Difference Between similar to that of Resolutions #177 & #178 of 2014 was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:**

**Chairman Jonke explained that Resolutions #177 and #178 of 2014 maintained a percentage difference in salaries between Captains and Lieutenants with the highest paid individual holding the position of 1<sup>st</sup> Sergeant in the MOA with the PBA.**

Legislator Crowley stated that she did not see the line in here for the lieutenant moving to the second 1<sup>st</sup> Sergeant.

Putnam County Sheriff Kevin McConville stated that there is no lieutenant in the Patrol Division. Commissioner of Finance Lewis is making that change. He stated that Corrections has two (2) lieutenants.

Chairman Jonke explained that it would be a bookkeeping issue for 2025.

Legislator Castellano believed it was a bookkeeping issue for 2024 and that is why it is not showing on this for 2025.

Legislator Crowley stated that we eliminated one (1) position but created a second 1<sup>st</sup> Sergeant position. She was looking for that pay scale on this resolution.

Chairman Jonke stated that this resolution does not apply to 1<sup>st</sup> Sergeant positions.

**Sheriff's Department**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
Road Patrol Captain 10311000 51000 (103)	145,519	154,758
Criminal Investigator Captain 10311000 51000 (114)	145,519	154,758
Operations Captain 10311000 51000 (127)	145,519	154,758
Civil Bureau Captain 10311000 51000 (128)	145,519	154,758
Undersheriff 10311000 51000 (102)	153,766	162,497
FICA 10311000 58002	0	3,495

**Corrections Facilities**

Correction Captain 10315000 51000 (101)	145,518	154,758
Correction Lieutenant 10315000 51000 (106)	141,353	143,295
Correction Lieutenant 10315000 51000 (109)	141,353	143,295

FICA

10315000 58002 0 1,004

A DIFFERENCE OF: 63,310

Adjust fringes & revenue accordingly.

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item #35 – County Executive – Confidential Secretary – Increase Salary Adjustment from \$4,437 to \$6,192 was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:

County Executive

	FROM:	TO:
Confidential Secretary 10123000 51000 (106)	4,437	6,192
FICA 10123000 58002	0	134

A DIFFERENCE OF: 1,889

Adjust fringes & revenue accordingly.

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item #36 – Law Department – Senior Deputy County Attorney – Remove \$5,000 Salary Adjustment was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:

Law Department

	FROM:	TO:
Senior Deputy County Attorney 10142000 51000 (919)	5,000	0
FICA 10142000 58002	383	0

A DIFFERENCE OF: (5,383)

Adjust fringes & revenue accordingly.

BY POLL VOTE: SEVEN AYES. TWO NAYS – LEGISLATORS CROWLEY & MONTGOMERY. MOTION CARRIES.

(Legislator Montgomery changed her vote to “no” during Item #37)

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Chairman Jonke made a motion to add Item #37 to the agenda; seconded by Legislator Sayegh. All in favor.

Item #37 – Adjustments from Finance Commissioner – Correct Revenues and Appropriations to Various Accounts was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:

Legislator Montgomery rescinded her “yes” vote on Item #36 to “no”.

Commissioner of Finance Lewis stated that this is a bookkeeping adjustment.

**CORRECT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING:**

**Mental Health Administration**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>NYSDHSES – Threat Assessment Mgmt Licensing Software 10033000 54783 10218</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Software &amp; Accessories 10033000 54783</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>200</b>

**OSR Putnam Senior Corps**

<b>Vision 10677300 58009</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>0</b>
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**Recreation for the Elderly**

<b>Life Insurance 10762000 58007 10187</b>	<b>540</b>	<b>0</b>
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**A DIFFERENCE OF: (782)**

**CORRECT REVENUES FOR THE FOLLOWING:**

**Sheriff Security Services DSS**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>Central Serv. Internal Chargebacks 19005060 412941</b>	<b>(68,632)</b>	<b>(82,076)</b>
<b>Sheriff – BCI Women’s Resource Center Federal Aid – Other PS 32311000 44389 10174</b>	<b>(29,176)</b>	<b>(29,184)</b>

**Sheriff License Plate Reader**

<b>State Aid SAMS Grant</b> 32311000 437897 10181	(1,546)	0
<b><u>Jail</u></b>		
<b>SCAAP Grant – Criminal Alien CFDA 16.572</b> 10315001 44389F 10032	(164,708)	(137,764)
<b><u>Probation</u></b>		
<b>Stop DWI Fines</b> 10331500 426151	(81,075)	(81,100)
<b><u>Mental Health Administration</u></b>		
<b>Crisis Intervention Teams Grant</b> Federal Aid – CFDA 16.710 CIT 10431000 444900 10211	(141,361)	(117,857)
<b><u>Social Security Dept Administration</u></b>		
<b>Warming Shelters</b> Admin Social Services 10120000 436101 10130	(186,832)	(186,829)
<b><u>DSS Grants</u></b>		
<b>Child Advocacy Center</b> 22070000 436233	(201,842)	(175,663)
<b>Crime Victims Board</b> 22071000 446131	(388,552)	(415,530)
<b><u>Youth Program</u></b>		
<b>State Aid Other</b> 10731000 430890 10182	(10,333)	0

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 48,054**

**BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Chairman Jonke made a motion to add Item #38 to the agenda; seconded by Legislator Addonizio. All in favor.**

**Item #38 – Adjustments from DGS Commissioner – Properly Classify Leased Vehicles in Health Department was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:**

**Commissioner of Finance Lewis stated that this is to correct the appropriations accordingly.**

**Health Department**

**Vehicle Leasing/Rental**

**FROM:**

**TO:**

11401000 54210	6,700	13,400
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**Environmental Health**

Vehicle Leasing/Rental 12401000 54210	27,000	20,100
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**Early Intervention Program**

Vehicle Leasing/Rental 10405900 54210	8,100	8,300
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**A DIFFERENCE OF: 0**

**BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Chairman Jonke made a motion to add Item #39 to the agenda; seconded by Legislator Ellner. All in favor.**

**Item #39 – County Clerk – Confidential Secretary – Increase Salary Adjustment from \$4,263 to \$6,022 – Proposed by Chairman Jonke was next. Chairman Jonke moved the following:**

**Chairman Jonke stated that this is a slight salary adjustment for the County Clerk’s Confidential Secretary. He explained that he met with the County Clerk today and the County Clerk explained to him that during the budget process with the Administration it was discussed that the County Executive’s Confidential Secretary and the County Clerk’s Confidential Secretary would be kept at salaries on par with each other.**

**County Clerk**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
Confidential Secretary 10141000 51000 (904)	4,263	6,022
FICA 10141000 58002	0	135

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 1,894**

**BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Item #40 – Legislature – Administrative Assistant – Increase Salary \$2,500 was next.**

**Legislator Nacerino made a motion to increase the salary for the Legislative Assistant line #101010113. She explained that in the past the two (2) Administrative Assistant positions had distinct duties and responsibilities. She stated that this employee has proven to be an integral part of the Legislative staff and has stepped up to assume tasks**

which have lessen the gap between the two (2) positions. She stated that this employee is intelligent, well educated, and a true professional. She believed that we should move forward with implementing more parity between the two (2) positions, recognizing that one (1) remains a step above. She believed this employee was well deserving of a proposed \$2,500 increase; seconded by Legislator Montgomery to add onto the agenda. All in favor.

Legislator Nacerino moved the following:

Legislature

	FROM:	TO:
Administrative Assistant 10101001 51000 (913)	0	2,500
FICA 10101001 58002	0	191

A DIFFERENCE OF: 2,691

Adjust fringes and revenue accordingly.

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item #41 – Contingency Fund – \$2,500 Stipend for Second Public Information Officer – Split Position - Place in Subcontingency.

Legislator Nacerino explained that her proposal pertains to the Public Information Officer (PIO). She referenced page 34, under the Bureau of Emergency Services line #123010907 and page 46, under the Health Department line #401026101. She stated that with reference to page 34 she made a motion to place an additional \$2,500 into subcontingency for the other information officer tasked to take on equal responsibility. She requested that these two (2) positions be reflected as split positions similar to the confidential secretary in the Personnel Department who performs a separate task serving the Board of Ethics. She believed the issue was more complex and needs to be discussed at a future date. She stated that we need to fully understand the duties and responsibilities to be incurred. She believed that paying one (1) PIO and not the other was unfair and inequitable. She stated that the optics lens itself towards nepotism since one (1) employee will be paid \$2,500 who works for the County Executive, while an equal allocation was not encumbered for the other employee in the Health Department. She explained that Personnel Director Eldridge was asked during the Personnel Budget meeting if this was a paid position in the past. He indicated that it was a volunteer position, however, he noted that PIOs were excused from their workday to attend training, etc. He noted that the other employee, page 46 in the Health Department, will be paid overtime for work incurred. She stated that should the employee work overtime, it would be at a rate of \$93.10 per hour. She would have to work 26.85 hours of overtime to reach the threshold of \$2,500. She stated that if this employee dedicates her time and expertise throughout the workday, as indicated by Director Eldridge indicated for training or any other circumstance, she would receive no additional pay. She would only be paid for work after hours. Conversely, if she exceeded the 26.85 hours of overtime it would be

a disadvantage to the other PIO. She explained that the PIO in the Health Department is a dedicated employee who lives in Putnam County as opposed to the other PIO who lives in Dutchess County, making the Health Department PIO more accessible with responding to callouts in due time. She stated that she was disheartened that the \$2,500 was not afforded to this employee as equal pay for an equal job.

Chairman Jonke questioned if there was a second to add this to the agenda; seconded by Legislator Sayegh. All in favor.

Legislator Gouldman questioned if Legislator Nacerino stated that instead of two (2) PIOs we were going to have one (1).

Chairman Jonke clarified that there are two (2) PIOs, one (1) will get paid a stipend, while the other theoretically, if she worked outside of whatever her business hours were, would get paid overtime.

Legislator Addonizio believed this was fair and equitable. She questioned if both PIOs would be splitting the workload.

Legislator Nacerino stated that she would like to list this as a split and not a stipend. She stated that it would be \$2,500 in subcontingency for each PIO. Legislator Nacerino stated that, based on information brought forth when this will be discussed in Committee, the Legislature would at that time determine if the salary would remain the same or be adjusted accordingly. She believed that to give it the attention and consideration that this warrants, she respectfully place both of them in subcontingency and let that conversation take place in Committee. She believed that it should be equal across the board.

Legislator Castellano questioned if the proposal for \$2,500 was for the employee who would be paid time and a half.

Legislator Nacerino clarified that her proposal of \$2,500 for the PIO in the Health Department was in lieu of getting paid overtime.

Legislator Castellano questioned if that employee is a CSEA member.

Director Eldridge said, "yes". He stated that it could potentially be a problem, but he believed more discussion would be warranted.

Chairman Jonke stated that the money would be placed in subcontingency to allow for further discussion.

Legislator Sayegh explained that time and time again, Department Heads have come before the Legislature explaining how certain employees have taken on more than their actual job description and should be compensated. She believed this was something similar.

Legislator Montgomery questioned if the PIO responsibilities was just for the Administration and Bureau of Emergency Services events, or does it also include the Sheriff's Department events.

Chairman Jonke believed that it was just for the Bureau of Emergency Services.

Legislator Montgomery did not understand why we needed two (2) PIOs for a small County. She believed that each County Department should provide that information to the County Executive and Legislature.

Chairman Jonke stated that the Deputy County Executive stated that both PIOs were trained and certified through FEMA.

Legislator Nacerino believed this deserved further discussion in Committee where the questions Legislator Montgomery brought forward or questions from other Legislators would be addressed.

Legislator Montgomery stated that the Sheriff has a Public Information Officer.

Putnam County Sheriff Kevin McConville confirmed that the PIO was a management position and did not receive a stipend.

Legislator Nacerino moved the following:

**Contingency Fund**

**Subcontingency  
10199000 54987**

(for 2<sup>nd</sup> PIO currently in Health Department)

**FROM:**

**0**

**TO:**

**2,500**

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 2,500**

**Adjust fringes & revenue accordingly.**

**BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Item #42 – Department of Public Works – Confidential Secretary – Increase Salary \$2,500 was next.**

Legislator Addonizio believed that this Confidential Secretary position was overlooked during the Personnel Budget meeting. She stated that the Department of Public Works will be dealing with a substantial increase in workload.

Legislator Addonizio made a motion to increase the line by \$2,500.

Chairman Jonke questioned if there was a second to add this to the agenda; seconded by Legislator Ellner. All in favor.

Legislator Addonizio stated that this was the lowest paid Confidential Secretary.

Legislator Addonizio moved the following:

**Department of Public Works**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>Confidential Secretary 10149000 51000 (936)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,500</b>
<b>FICA 10149000 58002</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>191</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 2,691**

**Adjust fringes & revenue accordingly.**

**BY ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Item #43 – Career Support Solutions – County Contribution – Increase \$7,000 was next.**

**Legislator Addonizio stated that for 37 years Career Support Solutions has been teaching a workforce readiness program in Putnam County working with adults and students, ages 16 to retirement age, with disabilities as well as low-income seniors. She stated that they also have a program for developmentally disabled adults who are not quite ready for supported work called Ambition In Motion (AIM) program, which runs five (5) days per week teaching life skills in small groups. She further mentioned programs which they provide.**

**Legislator Addonizio made a motion to increase the County Contribution for Career Support Solutions by \$7,000.**

**Chairman Jonke asked if there was a second to add this to the agenda; seconded by Legislator Ellner. All in favor.**

**Legislator Nacerino supported the increase. She believed that they perform a valuable service in the County.**

**Chairman Jonke stated that he has never seen a presentation from them. He stated that he would probably be the most willing to advocate. He explained that the Legislature's time period to review the budget is small.**

**Legislator Castellano questioned where the funding would come from.**

**Chairman Jonke questioned if it would come from the \$75,000 placed in subcontingency.**

**Legislator Addonizio said, "yes" from the \$75,000 put in subcontingency for outside agencies.**

**Legislator Castellano believed it was for outside agencies to come forward and state their case. He believed that the money should stay in subcontingency and the outside agencies could come to the Legislature next year explaining why they are due part of that \$75,000. He believed it would be tough to decide who would receive a portion of this funding. He stated that all these agencies were well deserving.**

Chairman Jonke concurred. He believed that someone would be left out.

Legislator Goldman concurred with Chairman Jonke and Legislator Castellano. He would not support this request at this time.

Legislator Crowley concurred.

Chairman Jonke called for a Roll Call Vote to move \$7,000 out of subcontingency to Career Support Solutions.

By Roll Call Vote: Three Ayes – Legislators Addonizio, Ellner and Nacerino. Six Nays – Castellano, Crowley, Goldman, Montgomery, Sayegh and Chairman Jonke. Motion Failed.

**Career Support Solutions**

	FROM:	TO:
County Contribution 25648000 54950	15,000	22,000
Subcontingency _____		

Item #44 – Libraries – Restore to Requested Amount – Increase of \$17,100 – Move from Subcontingency was next.

Legislator Addonizio stated that the Libraries presented to the Legislature as they do every year. She stated that there are eight (8) libraries in Putnam County and there has been an increase in the licensing software.

Legislator Addonizio made a motion to increase the libraries by \$12,000.

Chairman Jonke asked if there was a second to add this to the agenda; seconded by Legislator Nacerino. All in favor.

Legislator Crowley stated that she supported the libraries and believed that they provide a service that is invaluable, however, she did not believe it was on the Legislature to fund them fully, they have their own taxing district.

Legislator Goldman concurred with Legislator Crowley. He did not support the proposed increase.

Legislator Montgomery explained that their own taxing district was referenced. She stated that many of these libraries have not gone out for referendum in decades to increase that tax levy.

Legislator Montgomery stated that she would like to amend the motion to increase the funding to their original request of \$17,100; seconded by Legislators Nacerino and Addonizio.

Legislator Addonizio stated that the increase in software was over \$8,000 alone. She stated that this funding is split between eight (8) libraries.

Legislator Montgomery stated that the libraries in her community serve as the cooling or warming center during a power outage. She stated that the County does not come over to open a warming or cooling center or provide services. Most of the services is on this side of the County. She encouraged everyone to consider the many services she mentioned that the libraries provide beyond books for our communities.

Legislator Nacerino concurred with Legislator Montgomery. She did not believe there was any agency that served the greater good as the libraries, such as providing programs for babies to seniors, workshops, books, accounting services, internet services. She stated that they encompass a great population of Putnam County residents, being one (1) of the most valuable resources.

Chairman Jonke called for a vote on the motion to amend. All in favor.

Legislator Castellano questioned if the funding would be coming out of the \$75,000 in subcontingency and how much would be moved out of that amount.

Legislator Addonizio stated that it was her intent. She clarified the amended amount of \$17,100.

Chairman Jonke called for a Roll Call Vote as amended.

**Libraries**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>Telephone</b> 25741000 54634	<b>6,587</b>	<b>6,719</b>
<b>Licensing Software</b> 25741000 54783	<b>32,938</b>	<b>40,938</b>
<b>Literacy Volunteer</b> 25741000 54948	<b>10,804</b>	<b>11,020</b>
<b>Local History Genealogy</b> 25741000 54949	<b>2,745</b>	<b>2,800</b>
<b>County Contribution</b> 25741000 54950	<b>422,462</b>	<b>430,911</b>
<b>Reference Center</b> 25741000 54997	<b>12,406</b>	<b>12,654</b>
<b>Subcontingency</b> <b>Outside Agencies</b> 10199000 54996	<b>75,000</b>	<b>57,900</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 0**

**BY ROLL CALL VOTE: SEVEN AYES. TWO NAYS – LEGISLATORS CASTELLANO AND GOULDMAN. MOTION CARRIES.**

**Legislator Castellano asked for a running total of what is left of the \$75,000 in subcontingency.**

**Chairman Jonke stated that we only approved taking out \$17,100. He stated that the first request to utilize funds failed.**

**County Auditor Michele Alfano-Sharkey stated that the balance was \$57,900.**

**Chairman Jonke was not comfortable going any further at this time.**

**Item #45 – SPCA – County Contribution was next.**

**Legislator Addonizio stated that she would not be making a motion, however, she would advocate for the SPCA. She stated that they have come before the Legislature many times. She stated that there has been a 30% increase in arrests this year, five (5) cases involving Child Protective Services and seven (7) cases involved Adult Protective Services. She stated that she would be advocating for them, but will invite them next.**

**Item #46 – Putnam Arts Council – County Contribution - Move to Subcontingency \$13,993 was next.**

**Legislator Ellner stated that he would like to discuss the County Contribution to the Putnam Arts Council page 225, line #54950. He stated that he has an issue with any of the outside agencies regrating funds. He did not believe regrating and scholarships are functions of the outside agency. He stated that the County should be funding them as a contractual outside agency to perform a service.**

**Chairman Jonke questioned what the motion was.**

**Legislator Ellner asked for assistance from Legislative Counsel Firriolo on how to phrase the motion.**

**Legislative Counsel Firriolo believed his only option for a motion is to change a budget line either up or down.**

**Legislator Castellano stated that money could also be moved to subcontingency and have the outside agency come before the Legislature next year.**

**Legislative Counsel Firriolo concurred.**

**Legislator Ellner made a motion to add to the agenda moving the County Contribution of \$13,993 to subcontingency from the Putnam Arts Council's budget line; seconded by Chairman Jonke.**

**By Roll Call Vote: Six Ayes. Three Nays – Legislators Addonizio, Montgomery and Sayegh. Motion Carries.**

**Legislator Castellano believed that they would need some funding in January. He believed that putting the full amount into subcontingency might be too much. He stated that maybe we could look at putting half of that in subcontingency. He appreciated Legislator Ellner's point but has not made a decision on it yet.**

**Chairman Jonke asked Commissioner of Finance Lewis how often they would receive a check, once per year or monthly.**

**Commissioner of Finance Lewis stated that each outside agency is different. He believed this particular agency was once a month. He stated that this \$13,993 would go into subcontingency, however, they would have access to the \$50,000.**

**Legislator Sayegh believed that if we lowered the funding for this grant program we would receive less funding from New York State to support the Arts here in Putnam County. She stated that she was not in favor of this proposal. She was in favor of granting their original request of \$71,500.**

**Legislator Ellner stated that he fully supports the Arts. He stated that some of the organizations who were granted funding further regranted the funding to another organization.**

**Chairman Jonke stated that because of our history with the Putnam Arts Council, he suggested that we leave things the way they are. He stated that we could then have a discussion with them next year during a Rules Committee meeting. He stated that if we have an opinion on how the funding should be spent, he believed they had the right to hear that at a Committee meeting.**

**Legislator Montgomery wanted to understand what Legislator Ellner was requesting. She asked for a count on how many organizations he had on the page before him. She explained that the Putnam Arts Council grants a small amount to organizations from the County portion of \$13,993. She questioned if he wanted those organizations to come before the Legislature to request the funding they would receive from the Putnam Arts Council.**

**Legislator Ellner believed that we needed to have more oversight because there were some problems which he did not want to go into at this time. He explained that if the Putnam Arts Council grants funding to an agency and that agency utilizes the funding, he believed that was wonderful. However, he stated that if that agency turns around and regrants the funding, he had a concern with that.**

**Legislator Montgomery stated that she was not privy to Legislator Ellner's information. Legislator Montgomery explained the positive impact the Arts have on the Hudson Valley economy, along with what the libraries provide.**

Legislator Ellner questioned how Legislator Montgomery felt if money was given to an organization that gave to another organization and that money was used to have a protest.

Legislator Montgomery explained that there was a not-for-profit outside agency that we give funding to that is here tonight that contributed to a political campaign. She questioned if he could show evidence that it was County money used.

Legislator Ellner stated that this was his point, we cannot track the money. He believed the only mechanism to have additional discussions was to put the funding in subcontingency.

Legislator Montgomery amended the motion to give the Putnam Arts Council their requested \$71,500 which is a \$2,610 increase from last year which effects three (3) lines; seconded by Legislator Sayegh.

Chairman Jonke called for a Roll Call Vote on the motion to amend.

By Roll Call Vote: Three Ayes. Six Nays – Legislators Castellano, Crowley, Ellner, Gouldman, Nacerino and Chairman Jonke. Motion Failed.

Chairman Jonke called for a Roll Call Vote on the original motion to put \$13,993 in subcontingency.

**Putnam Arts Council**

	FROM:	TO:
County Contribution 25091000 54950	13,993	0
Subcontingency 10199000 54996	0	13,993

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 0**

**BY ROLL CALL VOTE: SIX AYES. THREE NAYS – LEGISLATORS ADDONIZIO, MONTGOMERY & SAYEGH. MOTION CARRIES.**

Item #47 – Putnam History Museum – County Contribution Page 226 was next.

Legislator Montgomery made a motion to increase the Putnam History Museum County Contribution line to their requested amount of \$59,948.

There was no second. Motion Failed.

Item #48 – Second Chance Foods – County Contribution Page 239 was next.

**Legislator Montgomery made a motion to increase the Second Chance Foods County Contribution line to their requested amount of \$30,000 to come from subcontingency.**

**There was no second. Motion Failed.**

**Item #49 – Garrison Arts Center – County Contribution Page240 was next.**

**Legislator Montgomery shared information on what the Garrison Arts Center provides for the community. She made a motion to provide them with their requested amount of \$9,800.**

**There was no second. Motion Failed.**

**Item #50 – Boscobel – County Contribution Page 241 was next.**

**Legislator Montgomery stated that Boscobel was a great contributor to the County's sales tax revenue, and they will be a huge part of Rev 250 Celebration which they are already working on. She stated that they had a devastating loss to their building this year where much of the historic artifacts were in danger of being destroyed.**

**Legislator Montgomery made a motion to provide them with their requested amount of \$15,000.**

**There was no second. Motion Failed.**

**Item #51 – Hudson Valley Shakespeare Festival – County Contribution Page 242 was next.**

**Legislator Montgomery stated that another economic driver for Putnam County is the Hudson Valley Shakespeare Festival. She stated that they originally requested \$85,700.**

**She made a motion to provide them with at least \$30,000 for all that they give back to Putnam County.**

**There was no second. Motion Failed.**

**Item #52 – Philipstown Behavioral Hub – County Contribution Page 243 was next.**

**Legislator Montgomery made a motion to increase the County Contribution line to the requested amount of \$30,000 for providing services on the west side of the County that the County cannot. She stated that the space they are getting, and the money the County will provide them, will allow them to provide real clinical services. She stated that the Hub right now serves as a resource for people in crisis similar to a Stabilization Center.**

**There was no second. Motion Failed.**

**Legislator Montgomery referenced page 247 for Cornell Cooperative Extension. She questioned if they received what they requested.**

**Legislator Ellner stated they received a little less than requested.**

**Legislator Addonizio stated that they received \$10,000 more than last year.**

**Legislator Montgomery stated that she would not be making a motion for this.**

**Item #53 – Legislator Montgomery revisited Item #26 – (Health Department – Nursing – Requested Reclass to Supervising Public Health Nurse of \$7,000 and Upgrades for all Nurses \$63,560 – Move to Subcontingency)**

**Legislator Montgomery referenced Item #26 on the agenda which pertained to the Health Department Nursing. She clarified that \$70,560 was put into subcontingency for a later time when we do the proposed study, not because it was a CSEA contracted issue.**

**Legislator Montgomery made a motion to take the \$70,560 out of subcontingency and put it into the Nursing Department.**

**She stated that we have heard from our Supervising Public Nurse on the critical condition that the Health Department is in. She explained that this request has been coming up for probably over three (3) years now. She stated that we have seen that the Health Department is suffering and we have heard about it from them.**

**Chairman Jonke questioned which lines on page 41. He questioned how \$70,000 would be divided to give people raises when these are CSEA positions. He believed it was not possible.**

**Personnel Director Eldridge stated that it would have to be a reallocated, and we are not in the position to recommend a reallocation at this time, that is why we have the study coming.**

**Legislator Montgomery questioned how long we would wait for the study.**

**Personnel Director Eldridge stated that the money is being allocated if it is approved for the 2025 budget, then we can get it going.**

**There was no second. Motion Failed.**

**Legislator Nacerino asked Personnel Director Eldridge why the overture wasn't for the reallocations on the grades for the nurses done prior to this budget. She questioned**

why it required a study when we have several reallocations and upgrades within the budget.

Personnel Director Eldridge stated, as he indicated at the Personnel Budget meeting on Tuesday, we modified our recruitment to increase the area that we recruit from and started the recruitment range from Step 3 through Step 4. He stated that Step 3 is very competitive with our neighboring counties. He stated that we had 15 people apply. He stated that we would have to go back and look at why all 15 people turned it down. He explained that he verbally provided information at the Tuesday meeting the information that was given to him by the Nursing Supervisor. He stated that he doesn't understand how the 15 people who were interested and applied for the position all turned it down for one (1) reason or another. He explained that the Personnel Department is contacting those 15 people to address the issues they were concerned about. He believed there were three (3) vacancies, and normally to have 15 people apply we would probably be able to fill two (2) or three (3) of them.

Legislator Nacerino stated that without the study, she speculated that the salaries were too low and the health insurance contribution is too high. She believed that the study should be directed towards how we are going to solve the problem of employee contributions, without compromising our funds. She believed that the 25% employee health insurance contribution was the driving factor.

Personnel Director Eldridge stated that it could very well be in this instance, however, we have been able to fill a lot of positions with some of the other things we have done like having the Career Expo. He explained that we were looking at total compensation such as, health insurance contributions, the value of a defined benefit pension plan, the longevities, salaries, time off, etc. He stated that the only one (1) the 15 candidates spoke to was the Supervising Public Health Nurse.

Legislator Nacerino stated that she would not be on the Legislature next year but hoped that the matter would be resolved sooner rather than later, making this a top priority for the nurses.

There being no further business, at 8:00 P.M., Chairman Jonke made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Legislator Sayegh. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted by Diane Schonfeld, Clerk.