

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

Wednesday November 5, 2025 7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Chairwoman Sayegh who requested Legislator Gouldman lead in the Pledge of Allegiance and Legislator Russo lead in the Legislative Prayer. Upon roll call, Legislators Montgomery, Gouldman, Russo, Ellner, Jonke, and Crowley and Chairwoman Sayegh were present. Legislators Addonizio and Birmingham were absent.

PROCLAMATIONS

Chairwoman Sayegh recognized Legislator Montgomery who presented the “National Runaway Prevention Month” proclamation to Kimberly Realbuto, Deputy Youth Director and Erin LeMon of Green Chimneys.

National Runaway Prevention Month

WHEREAS, November has been designated as National Runaway Prevention Month to raise awareness of the issues facing runaway and homeless youth, and to educate the public about solutions and the role they can play in ending youth homelessness; and

WHEREAS, the prevalence of runaway and homelessness among youth is staggering, with studies suggesting that every year, 4.2 million people ages 13 to 25 endure some form of homelessness; and

WHEREAS, children and youth who run away are at increased danger for falling into high-risk situations, including human trafficking; and

WHEREAS, effective programs supporting runaway youth and assisting youth and their families in providing safe and stable homes, succeed because of partnerships created among families, youth-based advocacy organizations, community-based human service agencies, law enforcement, schools, faith-based organizations and businesses; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Executive and the Putnam County Legislature do hereby proclaim November 2025 as National Runaway Prevention Month. We urge all citizens to support the effort to increase public awareness about, advocate on behalf of, and provide positive and safe alternatives to runaway and homeless youth and their families.

Chairwoman Sayegh recognized Legislator Crowley who presented the “Small Business Recognition Month” proclamation to representatives from the Putnam County Business Council and local Chambers of Commerce.

Small Business Recognition Month – November 2025

WHEREAS, small business constitutes the single most important segment of our

free enterprise system and our small businesspeople are the backbone of our economy; and

WHEREAS, a successful small business is evidence of the independence, initiative, and hard work of the owner/operator and this spirit has been, and will continue to play an important role in maintaining and improving the vitality of our community; and

WHEREAS, small businesspeople take a leading role in civic affairs to improve the quality of life in our communities; and

WHEREAS, with the assistance of the Putnam County Business Council and the local Chambers of Commerce, small businesspeople provide a variety of services, both business and social, to the community at large; and

WHEREAS, small businesses have and will continue to provide employment opportunities for our residents and contribute conveniences and services, both in-person and on-line, to our communities; and

WHEREAS, the November-December holiday season is important to the annual success of many of our small businesses; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Executive and the Putnam County Legislature do hereby proclaim November 2025 as Small Business Recognition Month and urge all citizens to join them in recognizing the contributions small businesses make to county-wide development and Shop Small Business to support our local small businesses so that they can remain vital and flourish in Putnam County.

Chairwoman Sayegh recognized Legislator Jonke who presented the “Supporting Operation Green Light” proclamation to Director of the Veterans Service Agency Karl Rohde, Joseph P. Dwyer Vet 2 Vet Program Executive Director Megan Castellano, and Joseph P. Dwyer Vet 2 Vet Program Coordinator Todd Dorris.

Supporting Operation Green Light

WHEREAS, the residents of Putnam County have great respect, admiration, and the utmost gratitude for all the men and women who have selflessly served their country and this community in the Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, the contributions and sacrifices of the men and women that served in the Armed Forces have been vital in maintaining the freedoms and way of life enjoyed by our citizens; and

WHEREAS, Putnam County seeks to honor these individuals who have paid the high price of freedom by placing themselves in harm’s way for the good of all; and

WHEREAS, Veterans continue to serve their community through local organizations, church groups, and civil service; and

WHEREAS, Putnam County appreciates the sacrifices our United State Military Personnel made while defending freedom and believes specific recognition be accorded them in appreciation of their service and to demonstrate the honor and support they have earned; now be it

RESOLVED, as we approach Veterans Day in 2025, the Putnam County Legislature and County Executive hereby proclaim that Putnam County recognizes Operation Green Light and encourages its citizens and businesses to honoring those whose immeasurable sacrifice helped preserve our freedom by displaying a green light in a window of their place of business or residence.

Item #4 – Acceptance of Minutes – Special Full Meeting – August 20, 2025
Special Full Meeting – August 25, 2025

Budget & Finance Meeting – October 1, 2025
Public Hearing on 2026 Tentative Budget – October 1, 2025

Item #5 – Correspondence
a) County Auditor

Item #7 - Other Business:

Chairwoman Sayegh made a motion to waive to go out of order and address the Other Business #7a Fund Transfer (25T390) – Legislature and the County Executive – Address Food Insecurity within Putnam County; Seconded by Legislator Jonke. All in favor.

Item #7a – Approval – Fund Transfer (25T390) – Legislature and the County Executive – Address Food Insecurity within Putnam County was next.

Legislator Ellner stated his support for the County providing funding to address food insecurity during this time of government shutdown. He stated rather than naming three (3) specific organizations within the fund transfer he would rather give discretion to Commissioner of the Department of Social Services (DSS) Sara Servadio.

Chairwoman Sayegh requested input from Commissioner Servadio.

Commissioner Servadio stated Putnam County services about 3,000 individuals, about 2,200 households, on SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) benefits monthly. She stated the cost to the County is about \$600,000 per month and there has been no clear direction from the State about what is going to happen. She stated they have gotten support from the community and local organizations and have begun conversations about the best way to get food to people who are not currently getting their SNAP benefits. She stated it is important to hear from the agencies here this evening. She stated the biggest concern is getting the right food to the right people.

Faith Anne Butcher, Chief Impact Officer of United Way of Westchester and Putnam, stated United Way runs the 211 helpline and they are seeing an increase in calls for food insecurity. She stated even when the federal government reopens it will still be a few weeks before funds are released. She stated local organizations including Putnam CAP, Hudson Valley Food Pantry, Second Chance Foods, and Cornell Cooperative Extension are working together to address this issue. She stated United Way has typically run the emergency food and shelter program, which tracks the assistance provided by the local food pantries. She stated because the United Way has an existing contract with Putnam County for the 211 helpline, it was thought that they could release funds before the County would be able to.

Chairwoman Sayegh stated the biggest concern is that assistance is streamlined to SNAP recipients who are currently not receiving their benefit.

Commissioner Servadio stated she cannot disclose the names of SNAP recipients to the providers. She stated they have been working with Second Chance Foods to pick up and drop off food to residents. She stated by working together, they will ensure the SNAP recipients are getting the food they need.

Chief Impact Officer Butcher stated they can utilize funding to purchase gift cards to local supermarkets as well, which would give recipients a choice of what food to get. She stated a link could be established where recipients could apply for a gift card and a list would be sent to DSS for approval since United Way would have no way to verify if a SNAP card was still valid.

Executive Director of Putnam County Cornell Cooperative Extension Stefanie Hubert stated their full meals program has assisted a great amount of people outside of the food pantries. She stated they have connections with local farmers where they can secure fresh produce, meat, and eggs which they could direct to the SNAP recipients. She stated this program puts money back into the community while providing nutrient dense food to recipients. She stated she is happy to lend her support however she can.

Marisa O'Leary, Director of Putnam CAP provided an overview of the services provided to low-income residents of Putnam through Putnam CAP. She stated they have a food pantry and soup kitchen and all individuals that receive services must provide documentation and be qualified to do so. She stated when they register or recertify, they are screened to see what other services they are receiving. She stated they serve about 400 families each month through the food pantry program and about 50% of their clients are SNAP recipients. She stated this funding would be used to supplement what is needed to purchase food products or gift cards for distribution.

Legislator Crowley stated the reach of these local organizations is farther than may be realized. She stated her appreciation for the work done by all of these agencies to care for our residents, especially the most vulnerable.

Chairwoman Sayegh stated Martha Elder, the Executive Director of Second Chance Foods was unable to attend this evening and she read a letter Executive Director Elder sent in which spoke to her appreciation for the Legislature's consideration of providing this funding.

Legislator Jonke stated funding for food insecurity was put into the 2026 budget at the suggestion of Legislator Birmingham. He stated after adopting the budget, it occurred to him that this matter is happening right now and can be addressed now. He questioned if the federal government will retroactively replenish the benefits that were not provided once the shutdown ends and if \$150,000 is enough at this time.

Commissioner Servadio stated that is what they are saying. She stated DSS has SNAP benefits from \$25 per month up to \$1,400 per month per household. She stated they have begun contacting the households to see what benefit might be remaining from the prior months and to assess what type of assistance they might need immediately. She stated they had a generous donation of grocery store gift cards this week and they have all been dispersed. She stated it is difficult to know exactly how much funding might be needed because there are so many factors in each situation.

Legislator Jonke thanked all the local organizations who came to speak this evening and stated the Legislature is here to provide support to care for residents who need it the most.

Legislator Montgomery questioned if food pantries should be specifically noted in the resolution as well. She stated she understands individuals who utilize food pantries may

not necessarily be SNAP recipients, however the SNAP registration process is difficult and many people fall through the cracks.

Commissioner Servadio stated she is certainly not interested in taking funding away from the food pantries. She stated it is important to supplement the food pantries while also providing gift cards to allow individuals to do their own shopping.

Legislator Montgomery questioned how United Way, Putnam CAP, and Putnam County Cornell Cooperative Extension get the food to those who need it.

Chief Impact Officer Butcher stated because United Way has a contract with the County, the process is streamlined and the funding from the County can be dispersed more rapidly than if it were going from the County directly to these other organizations.

Legislator Gouldman requested clarification that these funds will be distributed throughout Putnam County.

Commissioner Servadio stated yes, they have it broken down by community.

Legislator Montgomery stated there is a representative from a food pantry in attendance that she would like to hear from.

Kirsti (Kiko) Lattu, Coordinator of the Philipstown Food Pantry stated over the past year they have seen a 30% increase in clients, and that was before the SNAP benefit stopped. She stated they have been directing SNAP recipients to the proper offices where they can get assistance and offered to continue doing so, requesting more information to provide to clients.

Legislator Montgomery questioned if additional personnel will be needed.

Commissioner Servadio stated they are prepared to pull employees from other sections under the DSS umbrella to assist. She stated she has discussed an overtime budget with Commissioner of Finance Bill Carlin.

Legislator Montgomery stated it is important not to put too much stress onto the employees as well.

Commissioner Servadio thanked the Legislature for their support and the opportunity to have this conversation. She stated everything is being tracked so they know what each recipient has gotten during this time.

Legislator Montgomery stated it is wonderful to see the community stepping up to help one another.

Chairwoman Sayegh questioned if it would be in the best interest to establish an emergency budget line that DSS could access to assist people during this time.

Commissioner Carlin stated it might be better to wait a little while to see what plays out. He stated they are currently working with the Office for Senior Resources (OSR). He stated it might be better to deal with things directly rather than to set up a budget line at this point.

Legislator Ellner questioned if there is any flexibility needed to get this funding distributed to the organizations as soon as possible.

Commissioner Servadio stated once this goes through there will be about six (6) weeks left in the year and she believes this funding will assist greatly during that time period.

Commissioner Carlin stated a proposal for funding to OSR will be forthcoming as well.

Chairwoman Sayegh thanked everyone for coming this evening.

RESOLUTION #304

APPROVAL – FUND TRANSFER (25T390) – LEGISLATURE AND THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE – ADDRESS FOOD INSECURITY WITHIN PUTNAM COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Legislature and the County Executive requested fund transfer (25T390) to establish appropriations to assist Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) eligible residents, due to the anticipated freeze in funding on November 1, 2025, directly related to the ongoing federal shutdown; and

WHEREAS, the fund transfer in the amount of \$150,000 will be applied to the 2025 budget lines of the existing contracted services the County has with several local and regional agencies to effectively allocate resources during the month of November and possibly beyond as the County navigates through the consequences of the federal shutdown; and

WHEREAS, the Full Meeting of the Legislature has reviewed and approved said fund transfer; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the following fund transfer be made:

GENERAL FUND

Increase Appropriations:

25880000 54950	United Way – County Contribution	75,000
25875000 54950	Cornell Cooperative Ext.-County Contribution	25,000
25645000 54950	Putnam Community Action – County Contribution	50,000
		<u>150,000</u>

Decrease Appropriations:

10199000 54980	General Contingencies	150,000
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2025 Fiscal Impact – \$150,000

2026 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY POLL VOTE: SEVEN AYES. LEGISLATORS ADDONIZIO & BIRMINGHAM WERE ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6 – Pre-filed resolutions:

AUDIT & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE
(Chairwoman Sayegh, Legislators Birmingham & Crowley)

Item #6a – Approval – Budgetary Amendment (24A092) – Health Department – Revenue from Tobacco/Vaping Fines was next.

RESOLUTION #305

APPROVAL – BUDGETARY AMENDMENT (24A092) – HEALTH DEPARTMENT – REVENUE FROM TOBACCO/VAPING

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Health has requested a budgetary amendment (24A092) to recognize revenue received from Tobacco/Vaping fines that exceeds the 2025 Budget; and

WHEREAS, these funds will be used to further support education and prevention activities related to the use of tobacco and vaping products; 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:

Increase Revenues:

102401000 10220	Health EHS – Adolescent Tobacco Use Prevention Act	
416032	ATUPA – Reserve	8,075

Increase Expenses:

102401000 10220	Health EHS – Adolescent Tobacco Use Prevention Act	
54329	Promotional	4,037
54989	Miscellaneous	<u>4,038</u>
		8,075

2025 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

2026 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY POLL VOTE: SEVEN AYES. LEGISLATORS ADDONIZIO & BIRMINGHAM WERE ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6b – Approval – Budgetary Amendment (25A094) – Finance – Legal Aid 18b was next.

RESOLUTION #306

APPROVAL – BUDGETARY AMENDMENT (25A094) – FINANCE – LEGAL AID 18B

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Finance has requested a budgetary amendment (25A094) to fund Mandated Legal Services to Indigent persons pursuant to County Law; 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:

Increase Estimated Appropriations:

25117100 54125	Legal Services - Legal Aid 18b	200,000
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Increase Estimated Revenues:

25117100 430251	State Aid - ILSF Indigent Legal Services	100,000
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Decrease Estimated Appropriations:

10199000 54980	Contingency	100,000
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2025 Fiscal Impact - \$100,000

2026 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY POLL VOTE: SEVEN AYES. LEGISLATORS ADDONIZIO & BIRMINGHAM WERE ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6c – Approval – Budgetary Amendment (25A097) – Department of General Services – Leased Vehicle Expenses was next.

RESOLUTION #307

APPROVAL – BUDGETARY AMENDMENT (25A097) – DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES – LEASED VEHICLE EXPENSES

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Department of General Services has requested a budgetary amendment (25A097) to account for payment received for lease equity, and to cover leased vehicle expenses in the following county departments: Consumer Affairs, DSS Services, DSS- Administration, OSR-General, Probation and Department of Public Works (DPW); 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:

Increase Estimated Appropriations:

10661000 54210	Vehicle Leasing- Consumer Affairs	3,379
10102000 54210	Vehicle Leasing- DSS Services	7,149
10120000 54210	Vehicle Leasing- DSS Admin.	1,628
10677500 54210	Vehicle Leasing- OSR- General	218
10314000 54210	Vehicle Leasing- Probation	4,700
10149000 54210	Vehicle Leasing- DPW	3,187
		20,261

Increase Estimated Revenues:

10134500 426551	Minor Sales	20,261
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2025 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

2026 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY POLL VOTE: SEVEN AYES. LEGISLATORS ADDONIZIO & BIRMINGHAM WERE

ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6d – Approval – Budgetary Amendment (25A098) – Bureau of Emergency Services – SFY2025 Next Generation 911 (NG911) Grant was next.

RESOLUTION #308

APPROVAL – BUDGETARY AMENDMENT (25A098) – BUREAU OF EMERGENCY SERVICES – SFY2025 NEXT GENERATION 911 (NG911)

WHEREAS, at the May 13, 2025 Protective Services Committee meeting, the Commissioner of Emergency Services informed the Committee of the SYF2025 Next Generation 911 (NG911) Grant opportunity which required no County matching funds; and

WHEREAS, on September 16, 2025, NYS Homeland Security and Emergency Services notified and announced that Putnam County has been awarded said grant in the amount of \$1,515,197; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Putnam County Bureau of Emergency Services has requested a budgetary amendment (25A098) to account for said award; and

WHEREAS, the performance period for this grant is five (5) years (September 1, 2025 – August 31, 2030); 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:

CAPITAL FUND:

Increase Estimated Appropriations:

53097000 53000 52521	Next Generation 911	1,515,197
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Increase Estimated Revenues:

53097000 433971 52521	State Aid – SFY2025 NG911 Grant	1,515,197
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2025 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

2026 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY POLL VOTE: SEVEN AYES. LEGISLATORS ADDONIZIO & BIRMINGHAM WERE ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6e – Approval – Budgetary Amendment (25A099) – Sheriff's Office – Police Traffic Safety Grant Program was next.

RESOLUTION #309

APPROVAL – BUDGETARY AMENDMENT (25A099) – SHERIFF'S OFFICE – POLICE TRAFFIC SAFETY GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, on August 25, 2025, the NYS Governor's Traffic Safety Committee awarded the Putnam County Sheriff's Office \$24,000 to participate in the statewide Police Traffic Services (PTS) Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the goal is to increase seat belt usage and reduce dangerous driving behaviors in an effort to reduce serious injuries and fatalities; and

WHEREAS, said grant term is from October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2026, and any unused fund as of December 31, 2025 will be rolled over to the 2026 budget; and

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Acting Sheriff has requested a budgetary amendment (25A099) to account for said grand award; 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:

Increase Revenues:

17311002 443893 10021	Sheriff Patrol – Police Traffic Services Grant	19,500
17311002 443899 10024	Sheriff Patrol – Buckle Up Grant	<u>4,500</u>
		24,000

17311002 10021	Sheriff Patrol – Police Traffic Services Grant	
51093	Overtime	13,500
52180	Other Equipment	5,300
54640	Training & Education – PTS	700

17311002 10024	Sheriff Patrol – Buckle Up Grant	
51093	Overtime	<u>4,500</u>
		24,000

2025 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

2025 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY POLL VOTE: SEVEN AYES. LEGISLATORS ADDONIZIO & BIRMINGHAM WERE ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6f – Approval – Budgetary Amendment (25A100) – DPW – Risk Manager – Vehicle Accident Claim Reimbursement – Insurance Recoveries was next.

RESOLUTION #310

APPROVAL – BUDGETARY AMENDMENT (25A100) – DPW – RISK MANAGER – VEHICLE ACCIDENT CLAIM REIMBURSEMENT – INSURANCE RECOVERIES

WHEREAS, the Risk Manager has requested a budgetary amendment (25A100) to recognize reimbursement of \$5,185 from New York Municipal Insurance Reciprocal to cover an invoice from Auto Craft Body & Collision for storage fees on a 2024 Nissan Armada from June 2, 2025 - July 25, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of DPW has requested these funds to remit payment; 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:

Increase Revenues:

03 10513000 426802	DPW Road Machinery–Insurance Recoveries-Auto	5,185
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Increase Expenses:		
03 10513000 54370	DPW Road Machinery–Automotive	5,185
	2025 Fiscal Impact – 0 –	
	2026 Fiscal Impact – 0 –	

BY POLL VOTE: SEVEN AYES. LEGISLATORS ADDONIZIO & BIRMINGHAM WERE ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6g – Approval – Budgetary Amendment (25A103) – DPW – Commissioner of Finance – Correct Budget Lines on Resolution #262 of 2025 was next.

RESOLUTION #311

APPROVAL – BUDGETARY AMENDMENT (25A103) – DPW – COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE – CORRECT BUDGET LINES ON RESOLUTION #262 OF 2025

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Finance has requested a budgetary amendment (25A103) to correct budget lines on Resolution #262 of 2025 to provide funding for projected Overtime expenses through the end of 2025 in DPW; 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:

COUNTY ROAD FUND:

Increase Estimated Appropriations:

10511000 51093	DPW – County Road - Overtime	40,000
10511000 58002	DPW – County Road - FICA	<u>3,060</u>
		43,060

Decrease Estimated Appropriations:

02990100 59030	Transfer to General Fund	43,060
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GENERAL FUND:

Decrease Estimated Appropriations:

10511100 51093	DPW – Facilities - Overtime	40,000
10511100 58002	DPW – Facilities - FICA	<u>3,060</u>
		43,060

Decrease Estimated Revenues:

10131000 428551	Transfer from Road Fund	43,060
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2025 Fiscal Impact – 0 –
2026 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY POLL VOTE: SEVEN AYES. LEGISLATORS ADDONIZIO & BIRMINGHAM WERE

ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6h – Approval – Fund Transfer (25T319) – Social Services – Reappropriate Funds for Agreement with Sheriff’s Office was next.

RESOLUTION #312

APPROVAL – FUND TRANSFER (25T319) – SOCIAL SERVICES – REAPPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR AGREEMENT WITH SHERIFF’S OFFICE

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Social Services has requested fund transfer (25T319) to reappropriate funds to correct the budget line for their agreement with the Sheriff’s Office; and

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

RESOLVED, that the following fund transfer be made:

Decrease:

10431000 54646 10115	MH Contracts	26,240
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Increase:

10431000 55646 10115	MH Chargeback Contracts	25,440
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10431000 54989 10115	MH Miscellaneous	800
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	26,240
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2025 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

2026 Fiscal Impact – 0 –

BY POLL VOTE: SEVEN AYES. LEGISLATORS ADDONIZIO & BIRMINGHAM WERE ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #6i – Approval – Semi-Annual Mortgage Tax Report – April 1, 2025 through September 30, 2025 was next.

RESOLUTION #313

APPROVAL – SEMI-ANNUAL MORTGAGE TAX REPORT – APRIL 1, 2025 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2025

WHEREAS, upon receipt of approval of the Semi-Annual Report showing the amounts to be credited to each district of the County of the money collected during the period April 1, 2025 through September 30, 2025 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		581,411.86
Town of Kent		224,647.02
Town of Patterson		192,505.93
Town of Philipstown		
	Village of Cold Spring	16,592.64
	Village of Nelsonville	4,727.65
	Town Outside	198,270.54
Town of Putnam Valley		223,381.72
Town of Southeast		
	Village of Brewster	9,026.25
	Town Outside	297,570.47
Total		\$1,748,134.08

BY POLL VOTE: SEVEN AYES. LEGISLATORS ADDONIZIO & BIRMINGHAM WERE ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

Item #8 – Recognition of Public on Agenda Items

There were no members of the public wishing to speak.

Item #9 – Recognition of Legislators

Legislator Gouldman thanked everyone who voted yesterday on Election Day. He congratulated Legislator Erin Crowley on her re-election. He stated the Legislature will have two (2) new Legislators next year and he is looking forward to the work to be done next year. He wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and Veterans Day. He thanked the Veterans in Putnam County for their sacrifices.

Legislator Montgomery thanked everyone who ran for office and congratulated all who won their election. She stated she hopes elections can become more civil and all work is done for the benefit of the people served.

Legislator Crowley thanked her colleagues. She reminded everyone to take a moment to reflect on Veterans Day, November 11th and encouraged everyone to share it with their children.

Legislator Jonke stated Putnam County lost Judge John Sweeny a few weeks ago. He stated he has known Judge Sweeny for over 35 years and he did him the honor of swearing him in when he was first elected to the Legislature. He stated his heart goes out to the Sweeny family.

Legislator Ellner thanked Legislator Jonke for his proposal to provide meaningful tax relief to owner occupied homes.

Legislator Russo thanked everyone who ran for election and she wished everyone the best. She stated she is proud to be here representing not only her district, but Putnam County. She stated Veteran's Day is next week; Putnam Lake holds a beautiful ceremony in the morning and another is held by Patterson in the afternoon. She stated she is happy

to see it is always very well attended. She thanked Legislator Crowley for organizing a food drive this past weekend, which she was happy to help with.

Chairwoman Sayegh congratulated all who ran for office. She stated it is important to do the very best for the constituents. She stated the Knights of Columbus is holding a food drive for non-perishable items and gift cards at the end of the month.

There being no further business at 7:00pm, Chairwoman Sayegh made a motion to adjourn; Seconded by Legislator Jonke. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted by Deputy Clerk, Beth Robinson.