

MINUTES
OF
PUTNAM COUNTY COMMISSION
(SPECIAL CALLED MEETING)
MARCH 31, 2014

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STATE OF TENNESSEE

COUNTY OF PUTNAM

BE IT REMEMBERED: that on March 31, 2014 at 6:00 PM there was a Special Called Meeting of the Putnam County Board of Commissioners.

The Sheriff, David Andrews called the meeting to order.

There were present and presiding the Chairman, Chris Savage and County Clerk, Wayne Nabors.

The Chairman asked the Commissioners to signify their presence at the meeting and the following were present.

PRESENT:

Scott Ebersole
Tom Short
David Gentry
Jerry Ford
John Ludwig
Terry Randolph
Chris Savage
Reggie Shanks
Joe Trobaugh
Mike Medley

Eris Bryant
Sue Neal
Jonathan Williams
Daryl Blair
Kevin Maynard
Kim Bradford
Jim Martin
Marsha Bowman
Steve Pierce
Mike Atwood
Cathy Reel

ABSENT:

Ron Williamson
Anna Ruth Burroughs

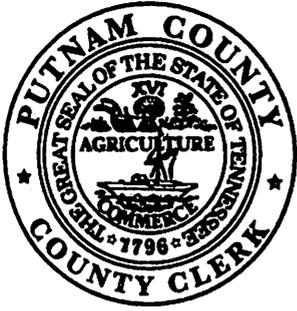
Bob Duncan

The Clerk announced that twenty-one (21) were present and three (3) absent. Therefore, the Chairman declared a quorum.

The County Attorney, Jeff Jones speaks to the Commission.

AGENDA

(SEE ATTACHED)



WAYNE NABORS

COUNTY CLERK - PUTNAM COUNTY

MEMO

Date: March 25, 2012
To: All County Commissioners of Putnam County
From: Kim Blaylock, County Executive
Subject: Special Called Meeting of the County Commission

Pursuant to Rule 1C of the Rules Regulating the Procedures of the Putnam County Board of Commissioners, I, Kim Blaylock, Putnam County Executive, hereby call for a Special Meeting of the Putnam County Commission on the 31st day of March, 2014. The meeting will take place in the County Commission Meeting Room at 6:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is for the following:

1. To accept the resignation of Travis Roberts as Assessor of Property for Putnam County, Tennessee.

Wayne Nabors
County Clerk

Kim Blaylock
County Executive

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MOTION RE: ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF TRAVIS ROBERTS, PUTNAM COUNTY PROPERTY ASSESSOR

Commissioner Tom Short moved and Commissioner Eris Bryant seconded the motion to approve the resignation of Travis Roberts as Putnam County Property Assessor.

(SEE ATTACHED)

To Whom It May Concern:

Please accept this letter as my formal notice of resignation from the position of Assessor of Property for Putnam County Tennessee effective March 25, 2014. This decision was not an easy one and it is with great regret that I submit this notice. However, I feel that my resignation is necessary and I feel that it is the right thing to do considering the current circumstances.

In the past I had gone to a doctor for a checkup and to get my shoulders checked for injury because of the pain I was having. The doctor prescribed pain medication to me for the shoulder pain. For several months the doctor continued to prescribe the pain medication to me while also increasing the dose. Then the doctor cut me off and would no longer prescribe the pain medication. As a result of the continued use, I had become dependent on and addicted to the pain medication.

Due to my dependency and addiction to pain medication, I was obviously unable to think clearly and make the right decisions and in turn was not a good steward over what God has blessed me with, and what the people of Putnam County trusted me to do as their Property Assessor.

I have not only shamed myself, but my family as well and have also let down the people of Putnam County in the process. I have been fighting an ongoing battle with this addiction and trying to take care of it on my own, obviously that had not worked at all and it just got worse. I never imagined that I would ever be a slave and feel so bound and powerless to such an addiction.

I am currently under the care of a Doctor who is assisting me with rehabilitating treatment. I am in outpatient therapy at this time in order to complete business issues that are at hand. I had already reached out for help with my family and was already seeking professional help before the State Auditors came to my office to speak with me. This addiction had spun out of control until I was in a place I never dreamed I would ever be.

I am truly sorry and ashamed for the embarrassment and disappointment of what I have done and the pain I have brought on my family and the voters of Putnam County.

I have made poor judgment calls and bad decisions while under the attack of this addiction and those bad decisions have cost me dearly. I am so disappointed that I have let the devil cheat me out of the only thing that I know and the blessing that my family needed.

I cannot show you or even begin to express with words how sorry I am for what I have done and for disappointing and letting down everyone who believed and trusted in me. With all being said, I pray for my family as well as for myself to heal from such a disappointment. I also pray for The Assessor's Office Staff, all of whom I have grown to care for. I have let them all down as a result of my bad decisions. I pray that their jobs are not affected by my mistakes.

Sincerely,



Travis Roberts

* SUBMITTED TO COUNTY EXECUTIVE Kim Blaylock *
ON MARCH 24, 2014.
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March 25, 2014

Wayne Nabors
County Court Clerk
P.O. Box 220
Cookeville, TN 38503-0220

Re: Acceptance of Resignation of Travis Roberts

Dear Wayne:

Pursuant to the Rules of the County Commission, it is going to be necessary for you to send personal notice to all the County Commissioners of the special called meeting of the County Commission on Monday, March 31, 2014, at 6 PM. To that end, I have drafted a notice and attachment for you to send to the Commissioners. This notice will need to be sent immediately.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to give me a call.

Sincerely,



Kim Blaylock

Enclosure: As Stated.

SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE

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1. To accept the resignation of Travis Roberts as Assessor of Property for Putnam County, Tennessee.

This the 25th day of March, 2014.



Kim Blaylock
Putnam County Executive

ARTICLE I THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

RULE 1 CONVENING THE BOARD

1A: REGULAR MEETINGS: The Board shall meet in regular session on the third Monday evening of each month. The meeting time shall be six o'clock (6 p.m.).

1B: LEGAL HOLIDAYS: If the regular meeting of the full Commission falls on a legal holiday, the meeting shall be held the following Tuesday evening at the regularly scheduled hour. The Chairman shall announce this change at the prior month's meeting.

1C: SPECIAL CALLED MEETINGS: The County Executive has the power to convene the legislative body in special session when, in his or her opinion, public interest requires it. A majority of the members of the county legislative body may petition the Chairman, in writing, for a special meeting. If a majority of the body petitions for a special meeting, it is mandatory for the Chairman to call a meeting. The call for a special meeting must be made by publication in a newspaper published in the county and by personal notices sent by the County Clerk, at least five (5) days before the meeting. The notice must specify the object and purpose of the special session and no other business can be transacted at the special meeting. If a special meeting is held for the purpose of filling a vacancy, ten days notice must be provided to Commission members and one week's notice must be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the county.

1D: RECESSED MEETINGS: The Chairman may recess a meeting of the county legislative body until a future time. When the time for the recess has expired, the Chair again calls the meeting to order and resumes the business of the meeting that was pending when the recess began.

RULE 2 QUORUM

2A: A QUORUM FOR THE TRANSACTION OF BUSINESS: This shall be a majority of the Board membership as it exists at that time, not as authorized. Vacancies on the Board shall not be included in determining the membership of the Board. However, two-thirds of the Board must be present before fiscal matters (appropriations, fund transfers, etc.) can be considered.

2B: CONFLICT OF INTEREST: A Commissioner, who abstains from a particular vote by announcing a conflict to interest to the presiding officer, shall not be counted for determining the required majority. (Also see Rule 6E and Appendix B)

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NOTICE TO NEWSPAPER

There will be a Special Called Meeting of the Putnam County Commission on for a Special Meeting of the Putnam County Commission on the 31st day of March, 2014. The meeting will take place in the County Commission Meeting Room at 6:00 p.m. The special called meeting is for the purpose of acceptance of the resignation of Travis Roberts as Assessor of Property for Putnam County, Tennessee.

This the 25TH day of MARCH, 2014.



Kim Blaylock
Putnam County Executive

RUN: Wednesday
MARCH 26, 2014

The Chairman asked for discussion on the motion to approve the resignation of Travis Roberts as Putnam County Property Assessor. There was none.

The Chairman asked the Commissioners to vote on the motion. The Commissioners voted as follows:

FOR:

Scott Ebersole
Tom Short
David Gentry
Jerry Ford
John Ludwig
Terry Randolph
Chris Savage
Reggie Shanks
Joe Trobaugh
Mike Medley

Eris Bryant
Sue Neal
Jonathan Williams
Daryl Blair
Kevin Maynard
Kim Bradford
Jim Martin
Marsha Bowman
Steve Pierce
Mike Atwood
Cathy Reel

ABSENT:

Ron Williamson
Anna Ruth Burroughs

Bob Duncan

The Clerk announced that twenty-one (21) voted for, zero (0) voted against, and three (3) absent. The motion carried.

MOTION RE: ADJOURN

Commissioner Kevin Maynard moved and Commissioner Daryl Blair seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion carried.