

**MINUTES
OF
PUTNAM COUNTY COMMISSION
MARCH 16, 2009**

Prepared By:

Wayne Nabors
Putnam County Clerk
29 N Washington Avenue
Cookeville, TN 38501
931-526-7106

STATE OF TENNESSEE

COUNTY OF PUTNAM

BE IT REMEMBERED: that on March 16, 2009 there was a regular meeting of the Putnam County Board of Commissioners.

There were present and presiding the Chairman Jim Martin and County Clerk Wayne Nabors.

The Chairman recognized Commissioner Mike Medley for the invocation.

The Chairman recognized Commissioner Joe Trobaugh to lead the Pledge to the Flag of the United States of America.

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

PRESENT

David Randolph	Mike Medley
Bob Duncan	Joe Trobaugh
Jim Martin	Eris Bryant
Jerry Ford	Sue Neal
Scott McCanless	Dale Moss
Andy Honeycutt	Greg Rector
Marson McCormick	Kevin Maynard
Johnnie Wheeler	Gene Mullins
Anna Ruth Burroughs	Jere Mason
Reggie Shanks	Bill Walker
Joel Cowan	Mike Atwood
	Ron Chaffin

ABSENT:

Larry Epps

The Clerk announced that twenty-three (23) were present and one (1) absent. Therefore, the Chairman declared a quorum.

MOTION RE: AMEND AGENDA TO MOVE ITEM 8C RESOLUTION TO HONOR MAURINE PATTON COUNTY HISTORIAN TO ITEM 7D ON THE AGENDA

MOTION RE: APPROVE AGENDA AS AMENDED

Commissioner Bob Duncan moved and Commissioner Jerry Ford seconded to approve the agenda as amended for the March 16, 2009 meeting of the Putnam County Board of Commissioners.

(SEE ATTACHED)

AGENDA

PUTNAM COUNTY

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Monthly Awards will be presented at 5:45 PM

Regular Monthly Session
Monday, March 16, 2009 6:00PM

Presiding: Honorable Jim Martin
Commission Chairman

1. Call to Order - Sheriff David Andrews
2. Invocation *District 7*
3. Pledge to the Flag of the United States of America *District 7*
4. Roll Call - County Clerk Wayne Nabors
5. Approval of the Agenda
6. Approval of the Minutes of Previous Meeting
7. Unfinished Business and Action Thereon by the Board
 - A. Report of Standing Committees
 1. Planning Committee
 2. Fiscal Review Committee
 3. Nominating Committee
 - B. Report of Special Committees
 - C. Other Unfinished Business
8. New Business and Action Thereon by the Board
 1. Planning Committee
 2. Fiscal Review Committee
 - a. Recommends approval of budget amendments to the General Purpose School Fund as presented.

- b. Recommends approval of budget amendments for the County General Fund in the amount of \$20,441.

This is without Juvenile Services amendment of \$4,000

- c. Recommends approval for Monterey Senior Citizens to be appropriated \$20,000 to go for the expansion of their building with funding coming from Hotel/Motel Tax Reserve.

Amendment enclosed

3. Nominating Committee

- a. Recommends that the following be appointed to the Awards Committee with terms as follows:

Johnnie Wheeler	2 year term to expire March 2011
Anna Ruth Burroughs	2 year term to expire March 2011
Reggie Shanks	1 year term to expire March 2010
Andy Honeycutt	1 year term to expire March 2010
Wayne Nabors	1 year term to expire March 2010
Diane Callahan	1 year term to expire March 2010

B. Report of Special Committees

C. Resolutions

D. Election of Notaries

E. Other New Business

1. Ratification of County Executive Kim Blaylock's selection for Dale Welch as County Historian to replace Maurine E. Patton.
2. Ratification of County Executive Kim Blaylock's selection for Earl Jacques to replace Dale Welch as County Genealogist,

9. Announcements and Statements

10. Adjourn

The Land & Facilities Committee will have a meeting immediately after Full Commission.

The Chairman asked for a voice vote on the motion to approve the agenda as amended for the March 16, 2009 meeting of the Putnam County Board of Commissioners. The motion carried.

MOTION RE: APPROVE MINUTES

Commissioner Bob Duncan moved and Commissioner Johnnie Wheeler seconded to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 17, 2009 and March 3, 2009 special meeting of the Putnam County Board of Commissioners.

The Chairman asked for a voice vote on the motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 17, 2009 and March 3, 2009 special meeting of the Putnam County Board of Commissioners. The motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND ACTION THEREON BY THE BOARD

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

PLANNING COMMITTEE: No unfinished business.

FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE: No unfinished business.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: No unfinished business

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

OTHER UNFINISHED BUSINESS

RESOLUTIONS: HONOR PUTNAM COUNTY HISTORIAN, MAURINE PATTON

Commissioner Jere Mason moved and Commissioner Johnnie Wheeler seconded the motion to approve the resolution to honor Putnam County Historian, Maurine Patton.

(SEE ATTACHED)

A RESOLUTION to honor the Memory of

Maurine Ensor Patton

Putnam County Historian

January 30, 1917 – February 12, 2009



WHEREAS, the members of the Putnam County Commission were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Maurine Ensor Patton; and

WHEREAS, Maurine Ensor Patton was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for her fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, she was born January 30, 1917 to Charlie Bradley and Pearl Hudleston Ensor, in Gentry, Putnam County, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Patton attended Summit County, Ohio Elementary School in Akron, Ohio and the Gentry Elementary School in Putnam County. She graduated from Baxter Seminary where she was a member of the National Honor Society. Her class in 1934-35 started the first school newspaper 'The Baxter Buzz.' They started the first annual which sold for \$1, she didn't have a dollar, so, she said, she didn't get one. She received her Bachelor of Science degree from Tennessee Polytechnic Institute (Tennessee Tech University) and her Master's Degree from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville both in home economics; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Patton taught home economics at Lambuth College, in Jackson, for year year and in the Putnam County School System for more than 34 years; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Patton married a World War II veteran, Robert Denton Patton, son of Chester and Lola Mae Quarles Patton; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Patton's hobbies included reading, dancing, gardening, arts and crafts, hunting, fishing, traveling, genealogy and necrology and she was active in them until her recent illness.

WHEREAS, Mrs. Patton was a longtime member of the Pleasant Grove Methodist Church. She completed a book about the history of the church started by her mother in 1945. The 252-page book included the history of many of the families who were involved in the original church as well as a church registry that gives sort of a timeline for when new members joined. Mrs. Patton dedicated all profits back to the church.

WHEREAS, Mrs. Patton was lifetime member of the National Educational Association, a lifetime member of the American Home Economics Association (now called Family and Consumer Sciences), a member of the Putnam County Retired Teachers Association, a member of the Friends of the Depot Museum, a member of the board of directors of the Cookeville Heritage Museum, a member and former treasurer of the Upper Cumberland Genealogical Association, served as secretary to the Putnam County Chapter of the American Red Cross Bloodmobile for many years following her retirement; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Patton was named Putnam County Historian in 2004. As the historian and a genealogist, she spent many hours collecting obituaries and history, not only of Putnam, but other surrounding counties. She was a strong supporter of the creation of a Putnam County Archives. Caring about the future of preserving Putnam County history, she leaves a legacy that includes property along with her house and lots, she donated to Putnam County; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Patton, at the age of 90, was named the grand marshal of the Cookeville Christmas Parade in 2007; and

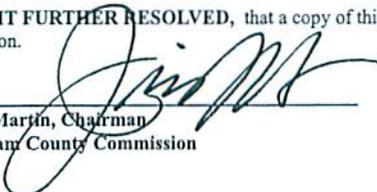
WHEREAS, at the time of her death, she was the oldest cancer survivor in Putnam County and one of the first to be certified in "Reach to Recovery" in Putnam County

WHEREAS, Maurine Ensor Patton leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all her chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the Putnam County Commission should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and beloved human being; now, therefore,

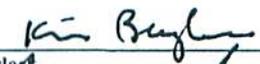
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mrs. Patton.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the Putnam County Commission.



Jim Martin, Chairman
Putnam County Commission

Attest:



Kim Blaylock,
Putnam County Executive



Wayne Nabors
Putnam County Clerk

The chairman asked the commissioners to vote on the resolution to honor Putnam County Historian, Maurine Patton. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS AND ACTION THEREON BY THE BOARD

PLANNING COMMITTEE: NO BUSINESS

FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

MOTION RE: THE FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE SCHOOL FUND AS PRESENTED.

Commissioner Sue Neal moved and Commissioner Bob Duncan seconded the motion to approve the budget amendments to the General Purpose School Fund as presented.

(SEE ATTACHED)

Department of Education

Putnam County

DR. KATHLEEN M. AIRHART, Director of Schools

Board of Education

David McCormick, Chairman
Vernon Crabtree, Vice-Chairman

1400 East Spring Street
Cookeville, Tennessee 38506-4313
Phone (931) 526-9777
FAX (931) 372-0391

Board Members

Eric Brown
Robert Hargis
Dr. Ray Jordon
Jerry Maynard

March 2, 2009

Honorable Commissioners
Putnam County Courthouse
Cookeville, TN 38501

Honorable Commissioners:

Please consider approval of the budget amendments to the General Purpose School Fund,
as submitted

Sincerely,



Mark McReynolds
Putnam County Board of Education

Enclosures:

- To transfer funds for installations & configuration of the Pearson Power School Student Information System. - \$52,573.86
- To budget remaining 07/08 Tennessee Learn and Serve grant approved to carry over into the 08/09 budget. - \$2,843.69
- To reallocate Coordinated School Health funds to fund medical supplies. - \$16,039.00
- To budget insurance payment recovery from damages to school bus accident on 11/18/2008. - \$784.34
- To adjust for carry-over from 07-08 and budget new amounts for 08-09 Adult Ed. Grant - \$12,275.11

Putnam County Budget Amendment / Line Item Transfer Authorization Form

Department: _____ 3/5/2009

Item #	Fund #	Account #	Account Description	Current Approved Amount	Increase	Increase	Requested Approval Amount
1	141	46980 TLAS	Revenue	6,500.00		2,843.69	9,343.69
2	141	72220-355-TLAS	Travel	-	75.88		75.88
3	141	72220-499-TLAS	Other Supplies and Materials	3,206.00	2,241.43		5,447.43
4	141	72220-524-TLAS	In-Service	2,550.00			2,550.00
5	141	72220-599-TLAS	Other Charges	600.00	391.88		991.88
6	141	72220-790-TLAS	Equipment	-	134.50		134.50
							-
							-
							-
					2,843.69	2,843.69	

Explanation: to budget funds remaining from 2007-08 Tennessee Learn and Serve grant that PCS is approved to carry over into the 2008-09 budget

Requested by: Melanie Bussell Supervisor Recommended for Approval: _____ Official / Department Head

Reviewed by: Mark McLay 2/24/09 Business Manager OR Assistant Director for Personnel & Business

Action by Fiscal Review Committee: Recommended for Approval No Recommendation Date: _____

Action by County Commission: Approved Not Approved Date: _____

The Chairman asked for discussion on the motion. There was none.

The Chairman asked for the Commissioners to vote on the motion to approve the budget amendments for the General Purpose School Fund. The Commissioners voted as follows:

FOR

David Randolph
Bob Duncan
Jim Martin
Jerry Ford
Scott McCanless
Andy Honeycutt
Marson McCormick
Johnnie Wheeler
Anna Ruth Burroughs
Reggie Shanks
Joel Cowan

Mike Medley
Joe Trobaugh
Eris Bryant
Sue Neal
Dale Moss
Greg Rector
Kevin Maynard
Gene Mullins
Jere Mason
Bill Walker
Mike Atwood
Ron Chaffin

ABSENT:

Larry Epps

The Clerk announced that twenty-three (23) voted for, zero (0) voted against, and one (1) absent. The motion carried.

MOTION RE: THE FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS FOR THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,441. (THIS IS WITHOUT JUVENILE SERVICES AMENDMENT OF \$4,000)

Commissioner Sue Neal moved and Commissioner Joe Trobaugh seconded the motion to approve budget amendments for the County General Fund in the amount of \$20,441.

(SEE ATTACHED)

BUDGET AMENDMENT SUMMARY FOR COUNTY GENERAL

March

<u>County General Expenditure</u>	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>
52900 <u>Reappraisal</u>		
435 Office Supplies	2,000	
719 Office Equipment		2,000
53100 <u>Circuit Court</u>		
169 Part Time		990
189 Other Salaries & Wages	790	
317 Data Processing	803	
355 Travel	700	
719 Office Equipment		1,303
54240 <u>Juvenile Services</u>		
187 Overtime		4,000
499 Other Supplies & Materials	4,000	
58500 <u>Contributions to other Agencies</u>		
309 Contracts with Gov't agencies		15,175
55130 <u>Ambulance Service</u>		
790 Other Equipment		973

* Look off
at
Fiscal
Review.

County General Revenue

#35110	Reserve for Hotel Motel Tax	973
#39000	Fund Balance	15,175

TOTAL

~~\$24,441~~ ~~\$24,441~~
20,441 20,441

Putnam County Budget Amendment/Transfer Authorization Form

Department: Reappraisal

Date: March 4, 2009

<u>Fund #</u>	<u>Account #</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	<u>Current Approved Amount</u>	<u>Decrease</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Amount Requested</u>	<u>Amount Expended</u>
101	52900-435	Office Supplies	5,750	2,000		3,750	3,556
101	52900-719	Office Equipment	2,500		2,000	4,500	2,419

Explanation: See memo from Assessor of Property Rhonda Chaffin

Requested By: JH

Recommended for Approval:
Official/Department Head Kern

Action by Fiscal Review Committee
Recommended
Not Recommended
Date _____

Action by County Commission
Approved
Not Approved
Date _____



Rhonda L. Chaffin
Putnam County Assessor of Property

February 19, 2009

Ms. Debby Francis
Budget Coordinator County Executive Office
300 East Spring Street
Cookeville TN 38501

Dear Debby:

Please submit the following budget transfers to the Putnam County Board of Commissioners.

Line Item	Credit	Debit
52900-435 Office Supplies		2000.00
52900-719 Equipment	2000.00	

If you have any questions, please feel free to call.

Sincerely,

Rhonda L Chaffin
Assessor of Property

Putnam County Budget Amendment/Line Item Transfer Authorization Form

Department: Circuit Court Clerk

Date: February 23, 2009

<u>Item #</u>	<u>Fund #</u>	<u>Account #</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	<u>Current Approved Amount</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>	<u>Requested Approval Amount</u>	<u>Amount Expended (Received) YTD</u>
169	53100		Part Time	\$4,916.00	\$990.00		\$5,906.00	2,666
189	53100		Other Salaries & Wages	\$670,900.00		-\$790.00	\$670,110.00	446,477
317	53100		Data Processing	\$7,050.00		-\$803.00	\$6,247.00	6,284
355	53100		Travel	\$1,500.00		-\$700.00	\$800.00	138-
719	53100		Office Equipment	\$4,000.00	\$1,303.00		\$5,303.00	3,903-

Totals \$688,366.00 \$2,293.00 -\$2,293.00 \$688,366.00

Explanation: to issue capias' in General Sessions for Failure to Pay/Appear (saving from Parrott & Dyer docks) & to purchase office equipment.

Requested by: Marcia Borys
Supervisor

Recommended for approval: MB
Official/Department Head



Action by Fiscal Review Committee: Recommended for Approval

No Recommendation

Date: _____

Action by County Commission: Approved

Not Approved

Date: _____

Putnam County Budget Amendment/Transfer Authorization Form

Department: Juvenile Services

Date: March 4, 2009

<u>Fund #</u>	<u>Account #</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	<u>Current Approved Amount</u>	<u>Decrease</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Amount Requested</u>	<u>Amount Expended</u>
101	54240-187	Overtime	15,000		4,000	19,000	10,304
101	54240-499	Other Supplies & Materials	6,000	4,000		2,000	568

Explanation: See memo from Harold Morphew, Director of Juvenile Services

Requested By: *DHY*

Recommended for Approval:
Official/Department Head *Kim*

Action by Fiscal Review Committee
Recommended
Not Recommended
Date _____

Action by County Commission
Approved
Not Approved
Date _____

PUTNAM COUNTY
JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER
Lt. HAROLD MORPHEW, Director

25 North Washington Ave.
Cookeville, TN 38501

Office (931) 528-5681
Fax (931) 526-8343

Debbie Francis:

I would like to respectfully request a line item transfer to be submitted at your convenience. I would request that \$ 4000.00 be transferred from line item # 54240-499 To line item # 54240-187. If you have any questions please feel free to call me.

Thank You.



Harold D. Morpew, Director

Putnam County Budget Amendment/Transfer Authorization Form

Department: Ambulance Service

Date: March 4, 2009

<u>Fund #</u>	<u>Account #</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	<u>Current Approved Amount</u>	<u>Decrease</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Amount Requested</u>	<u>Amount Expended</u>
101	55130-790	Other Equipment	98,000		973	98,973	51,701
101	#35110	Reserve for Hotel/Motel Tax (P & R)		973			

Explanation: EMS purchased AED for the Soccer Complex

Requested By: Kim

Recommended for Approval: Kim
 Official/Department Head

Action by Fiscal Review Committee
 Recommended
 Not Recommended
 Date _____

Action by County Commission
 Approved
 Not Approved
 Date _____

Putnam County Budget Amendment/Transfer Authorization Form

Department: Contributions to other Agencies

Date: March 4, 2009

<u>Fund #</u>	<u>Account #</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	<u>Current Approved Amount</u>	<u>Decrease</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Amount Requested</u>	<u>Amount Expended</u>
101	58500-309	Contracts with Govt Agencies		0	15,175	15,175	0
101	#39000	Fund Balance			15,175		

Explanation: Funds due to the City of Cookeville for their share of Lease payments for Rehab Center

Requested By: Lim

Recommended for Approval:
Official/Department Head Lim

Action by Fiscal Review Committee
Recommended
Not Recommended
Date _____

Action by County Commission
Approved
Not Approved
Date _____

The Chairman asked for discussion on the motion. There was no discussion.

The Chairman asked for a vote on the motion to approve budget amendments for the County General Fund in the amount of \$20,441.

The Commissioners voted as follows:

FOR

David Randolph	Mike Medley
Bob Duncan	Joe Trobaugh
Jim Martin	Eris Bryant
Jerry Ford	Sue Neal
Scott McCanless	Dale Moss
Andy Honeycutt	Greg Rector
Marson McCormick	Kevin Maynard
Johnnie Wheeler	Gene Mullins
Anna Ruth Burroughs	Jere Mason
Reggie Shanks	Bill Walker
Joel Cowan	Mike Atwood
	Ron Chaffin

ABSENT:

Larry Epps

The Clerk announced that twenty-three (23) voted for, zero (0) voted against, and one (1) absent. The motion carried.

MOTION RE: THE FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS APPROVAL FOR MONTEREY SENIOR CITIZENS TO BE APPROPRIATED \$20,000 TO GO FOR THE EXPANSION OF THEIR BUILDING WITH FUNDING COMING FROM HOTEL/MOTEL TAX RESERVE.

Commissioner Sue Neal moved and Commissioner Joe Trobaugh seconded the motion to approve for Monterey Senior Citizens to be appropriated \$20,000 to go for the expansion of their building with funding coming from Hotel/Motel Tax Reserve.

(SEE ATTACHED)

Putnam County Budget Amendment/Transfer Authorization Form

Department: Senior Citizens Assistance

Date: March 4, 2009

<u>Fund #</u>	<u>Account #</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	<u>Current Approved Amount</u>	<u>Decrease</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Amount Requested</u>	<u>Amount Expended</u>
101	56300-707	Building Improvements	0		20,000	20,000	0
101	#35110	Reserve for Hotel/Motel Tax	0	20,000			0

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Explanation: As per Fiscal Review for Building Improvements for the Monterey Senior Citizens Center

Requested By: Kim

Action by Fiscal Review Committee
 Recommended
 Not Recommended
 Date _____

Recommended for Approval:
 Official/Department Head Kim

Action by County Commission
 Approved
 Not Approved
 Date _____

The Chairman asked for discussion on the motion to approve for the Monterey Senior Citizens to be appropriated \$20,000 to go for the expansion of their building with funding coming from Hotel/Motel Tax Reserve. The Commissioners discussed the motion.

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

FOR

David Randolph	Mike Medley
Bob Duncan	Joe Trobaugh
Jim Martin	Eris Bryant
Jerry Ford	Sue Neal
Scott McCanless	Dale Moss
Andy Honeycutt	Greg Rector
Marson McCormick	Kevin Maynard
Johnnie Wheeler	Gene Mullins
Anna Ruth Burroughs	Jere Mason
Reggie Shanks	Bill Walker
Joel Cowan	Mike Atwood
	Ron Chaffin

ABSENT:

Larry Epps

The Clerk announced that twenty-three (23) voted for, zero (0) voted against, and one (1) absent. The motion carried.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

MOTION RE: NOMINATING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THAT THE FOLLOWING BE APPOINTED TO THE AWARDS COMMITTEE WITH TERMS AS FOLLOWS:

JOHNNIE WHEELER	2 YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE MARCH 2011
ANNA RUTH BURROUGHS	2 YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE MARCH 2011
REGGIE SHANKS	1 YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE MARCH 2010
ANDY HONEYCUTT	1 YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE MARCH 2010
WAYNE NABORS	1 YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE MARCH 2010
DIANE CALLAHAN	1 YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE MARCH 2010

Commissioner Ron Chaffin moved and Commissioner Reggie Shanks seconded the motion of the appointments to the Awards Committee.

The Chairman asked for discussion on the motion for the Awards Committee and there was no discussion. By a voice vote, the motion carried.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

MOTION RE: ELECTION OF NOTARIES

Commissioner Jere Mason moved and Commissioner Ron Chaffin seconded the motion.

(SEE ATTACHED)

PUTNAM COUNTY CLERK
WAYNE NABORS COUNTY CLERK
P.O. BOX 220
COOKEVILLE TN 38503
Telephone 931-526-7106
Fax 931-372-8201

NOTARIES TO BE ELECTED MARCH 16,2009

JUDY CAROL AGEE
JAYNE R BARNES
JENNIFER N BELL
ROBYN D BLAIR
RAYMOND G CASTILLO
LYNDA M COLEMAN
EMILY D DILL
BARBARA S DYER
ALISSA J FLOOD
RYAN J GOOD
SANDY GOOLSBY
SHERRY HAMILTON
JAMES ROBERT HILL
DEAN HOBBS

MICHELE HOLEMAN
DEBORAH JACKSON
HEATHER JONES
STEPHANIE MILLER
BETTY J MORRISSEY
DEBRA PIERCE
VICKI H QUALLS
RONDA A RADER
RICHARD A RADER
LINDA SHELTON-DYER
SHAWNA A SMITH
REGINA WALKER
MICHELLE WHITEAKER
KRISTEN C WIGGINS
JULIE THOMPSON WIGGINS

The Chairman asked for discussion on the motion. There was no discussion.

The Chairman asked the Commissioners to vote on the Election of Notaries.

The Commissioners voted as follows:

FOR

David Randolph

Bob Duncan

Jim Martin

Jerry Ford

Scott McCanless

Andy Honeycutt

Marson McCormick

Johnnie Wheeler

Anna Ruth Burroughs

Reggie Shanks

Joel Cowan

Mike Medley

Joe Trobaugh

Eris Bryant

Sue Neal

Dale Moss

Greg Rector

Kevin Maynard

Gene Mullins

Jere Mason

Bill Walker

Mike Atwood

Ron Chaffin

ABSENT:

Larry Epps

The Clerk announced that twenty-three (23) voted for, zero (0) voted against, and one (1) absent. The motion carried.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

MOTION RE: RATIFICATION OF COUNTY EXECUTIVE KIM BLAYLOCK'S SELECTION FOR DALE WELCH AS COUNTY HISTORIAN TO REPLACE MAURINE E. PATTON.

MOTION RE: RATIFICATION OF COUNTY EXECUTIVE KIM BLAYLOCK'S SELECTION FOR EARL JACQUESS TO REPLACE DALE WELCH AS COUNTY GENEALOGIST.

Commissioner Bob Duncan moved and Commissioner Johnnie Wheeler seconded the motion for ratification of County Executive Kim Blaylock's selection for Dale Welch as County Historian to replace Maurine E. Patton and selection for Earl Jacquess to replace Dale Welch as County Genealogist.

(SEE ATTACHED)

Dale Welch

PO Box 836

Monterey, TN 38574

Phone: 931-839-2949 • Cell: 931-265-4868 • E-Mail: dawelch@charter.net

March 3, 2009

TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY COMMISSION:

The Tennessee Code Annotated says about a County Historian:

5-18-101. In general. —

The legislative body of each county shall appoint some person of the county as county historian, who shall serve without compensation and whose duties shall include, but not be limited to, collecting and preserving local and state history, and in doing so, to work with, in such manner as may mutually be agreed upon, the state historian, the state library and archives and the Tennessee historical commission. [Acts 1965, ch. 45, § 1; T.C.A., § 5-1801.]

First, I would like to say that the late Maurine Patton was one of the best County Historians anywhere. She knew and collected Putnam County history forward and backward. I was honored in being her friend.

I have researched family and local history since I was around 13-years-old. I found that some of my family had been in what is now Putnam County, since around 1809. So, my roots run deep into this county. By the time I was a junior in high school, I also became interested in photography. Since then, I've not only been able to record Putnam County history on paper, but also in pictures.

In the early 1990's, I began a local history column, "Chimney Corner Tales," in the *Cookeville Herald-Citizen*. It was Ms. Patton and the late Charles Leonard, the White County Historian at the time, who suggested the name of the column. I tried to do stories that either had been forgotten about or never even written down. I covered everything from a vigilante hanging in Baxter (called Ai) to the ghost of "Crazy George," near Monterey. I did stories about how people lived, worked, played in what is now Putnam County in times gone by. Even while I worked for another newspaper, I was still able to "Chimney Corner Tales" in the Herald-Citizen.

I was also honored to serve the citizens of the 4th District for two terms on the Putnam County Commission, choosing not to run again in 1998. My great-great grandfather, Alexander Welch, was a member of the county court from the 1870's until he died in 1914. I took personal note that I was elected to serve a portion of the district that he once represented and the entire district that his brother, Nathaniel Welch had.

I also took note that my great-great grandfather was on the county court when the Putnam County Courthouse was re-constructed after it burned in 1899. I was on the Putnam County Commission and its building and budget committees when the county built the Putnam County Justice Center.

When I started publishing my own newspaper, the "Hilltop Express," eight years ago, the history stories were, of course, used in my paper. Though, on occasion, I've still had them in the Herald-Citizen, too.

I love the people of Putnam County and love to listen to them – second only to listening to the Gospel. It is their testament to how they lived and how they changed the world around them, and how the world around them changed them and it deserves to be recorded.

Thank you for letting me serve you and the people of Putnam County. I presently serve as the Putnam County Genealogist.

With highest regards,



Dale Welch

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March, 2009

Re: Mr. Dale Welch

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This letter comes as a recommendation for Mr. Dale Welch for your consideration in the position of County Historian for Putnam County, Tennessee.

First, may I offer my condolences to the entire community of Putnam County in the death of Ms. Maurine Patton, your former County Historian, who was dedicated to preserving the correct history of your county. Her legacy, and that of all historians in the 95 counties of Tennessee, needs to be preserved.

With this in mind, I find it a great honor to have the opportunity to endorse the selection of Mr. Welch for historian of your county. I have known Mr. Welch for some 20 years and have worked with him on numerous historical projects. His assistance in finding the correct answer to historical questions regarding your county has been invaluable.

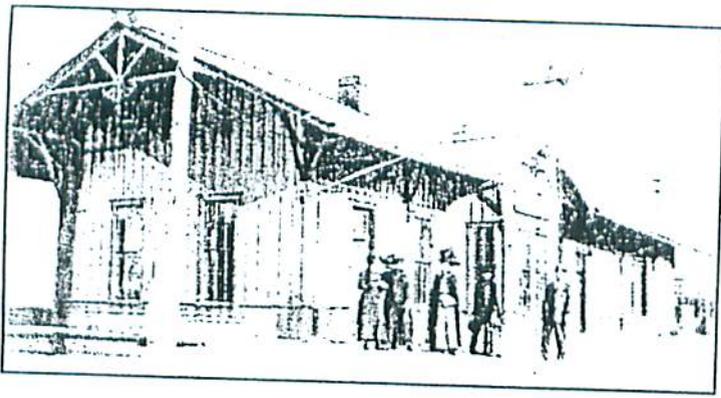
Though many people do not understand the nature of the position of a Tennessee County Historian, it can be an important tool to showcase your community. Inquiries that are sent from other parts of the country or even other parts of the world need to be handled in a prompt, correct, and efficient manner.

The most important factor in making this selection is to have a person who not only knows the history of your county, but also a person who genuinely loves the county and its people. Mr. Dale Welch qualifies in both of these categories.

It is my privilege to send a letter of support for my long time friend, Mr. Dale Welch for Putnam County Historian.

Sincerely,

Barbara B. Parsons
Barbara B. Parsons (Mrs. E.H.), Historian
Cumberland County Tennessee



MONTEREY DEPOT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

J. KEN HALL, *PRESIDENT*
1018 CALFKILLER HWY
MONTEREY, TN 38574

March 3, 2009

RE: Letter of Recommendation: Dale Welch

To the Honorable Members of the Putnam County Commission:

I have known Dale Welch for 25 years. Dale volunteered to work with me when I was the Monterey Police Chief with a drug education program presentation in schools, churches and to civic organizations. I know Dale to be a good citizen and an outstanding volunteer in the community.

Dale has served as the *Historian* for the Monterey Depot Historical Society since 2006. He possesses a keen knowledge of local railroad history as well as regional history.

I wish to add my support for Dale's appointment as the Putnam County Historian.

Sincerely,

Ken Hall

Ken Hall
President

HAROLD L. BURRIS

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March 2, 2009

To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to recommend Dale Welch for Putnam County Historian. I have known and personally worked with Dale for twelve years. In this time I have found him to be very knowledgeable on the subject of Putnam County and its history. His knowledge of Putnam County has been a great help to many Putnam County residents, school classes and many others. Not only does he spend time researching and learning about Putnam County, he enjoys it. His love of Putnam County shows in his many services to the county; like his newspaper and the position he holds as one of the Monterey City Alderman. I feel Mr. Dale Welch would be a prime candidate for Putnam County Historian, where he will be able to put his love of the county and history to work.

Sincerely,



Harold Burris

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March 3, 2009

TO: The Members of the Putnam County Commission

RE: Recommendation of Dale Welch as Putnam County Historian

Ladies and/or Gentlemen:

I would like to recommend Dale Welch as Putnam County's next County Historian. Dale and I have been friends and local genealogists for several years now. I have always found him to be very helpful, honest, reliable, and interested and caring in the preservation, protection, and promoting of local genealogy and history.

Dale currently serves in the capacity of County Genealogist for Putnam County. He served on the Putnam County Commission for two 4-year terms in the early 1990s. The district that Dale represented included part of what his great-great-grandfather, Alexander Welch, represented and what his brother, Nathaniel Welch, represented. Dale has also served on the building committee and budget committee during the time the Putnam County Justice Center was built.

In my opinion, with all his experience and knowledge of the history of Putnam County, Dale would be a valuable asset to the citizens of Putnam County and surrounding counties. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,



Ronald Dishman
Overton County Historian

The Chairman asked for discussion on the motion for ratification of County Executive Kim Blaylock's selection for Dale Welch as County Historian to replace Maurine E. Patton and selection for Earl Jacquess to replace Dale Welch as County Genealogist. There was no discussion.

The Chairman asked for a voice vote. The motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND STATEMENTS

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH FOR MARCH 2009

Employee of the month for March 2009: Kathy Nelson.

CITIZEN OF THE MONTH FOR MARCH 2009

Citizen of the month for March 2009: Jennifer Whitten.

(SEE ATTACHED)

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH FOR MARCH 2009

KATHY NELSON

Kathy has been an employee of the Putnam County Sheriff's Department for 20 years. She began her career there in the records department, then moving to accounts receivable and payroll and then to her current position as Operations Manager. She has held her current position for approximately 10 years.

Kathy has always been a faithful, dependable and loyal county employee, always showing a smile and care and concern for others.

CITIZEN OF THE MONTH FOR MARCH 2009

JENNIFER WHITTEN

Jennifer has lived in a number of places where she was a volunteer having served as a PTA president, a volunteer for the March of Dimes and 4-H club with her children. She has also trained and shown many different breeds of horses from the family farm where she was involved with an animal rescue program.

She had a 25 year career with a hotel chain and has worked for the State of South Carolina in youth protection services and families with benevolent needs.

Jennifer moved to Cookeville in 2003 for a quiet retirement until October of 2006 when she was asked to take over the thrift store of the Cookeville Senior Citizens center. Since that time, through her untiring efforts, the thrift center has become a vibrant source of fund raising for the senior center under her direction.

MOTION RE: ADJOURN

Commissioner Jere Mason moved and Commissioner Bill Walker seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting.

The Chairman asked for a voice vote on the motion to adjourn. The motion carried.

FISCAL REVIEW AGENDA

TO: Putnam County Board of Commissioners

FROM: Kim Blaylock, County Executive

DATE: March 4, 2009

RE: Fiscal Review Committee Agenda

Listed below are items to be considered by the County's Fiscal Review Committee on Monday, March 9, 2009, at 5:00 PM in the County Commission Chambers at the Courthouse.

1. Consider budget amendments to the General Purpose School Fund.
2. Consider budget amendments to the County General Fund.
3. Discuss Monterey Senior Citizen building expansion.
4. Any other business that needs to be reviewed by the Fiscal Review Committee.

**PLANNING COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

March 9, 2009

Prepared by Deborah Francis

Jim Martin	Present	Eris Bryant	Present
Scott McCanless	Present	Dale Moss	Present
Reggie Shanks	Present	Jere Mason	Present
Marson McCormick	Present	Gene Mullins	Present
Anna Ruth Burroughs	Present	Mike Atwood	Present
Larry Epps	Present	Mike Medley	Present

Item #1 *Gail Glover addressed the Committee requesting that the Trustee's office be considered to move into the current County Clerk's office that will be vacated in the next few months. She expressed her need for additional space.*

Motion: Recommends to give Trustee permission to move to County Clerk's office once it is vacated.

Made By: Medley
Seconded: Burroughs

The Committee was concerned that some other office may have a need for this space also, after much discussion the following amending motion was made:

Motion: Recommends that the Land and Facilities Committee take a look at this issue and look at other office needs and come back to the Planning Committee in 30 days.

Made By: Bryant
Seconded: Martin

ROLL CALL

<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Epps	Burroughs
Martin	Shanks
McCanless	Medley
McCormick	Mason
Bryant	
Moss	
Mullins	
Atwood	

Item #2 *Any other business*

NONE

ADJOURNED

PLANNING COMMITTEE

TO: Putnam County Board of Commissioners

FROM: Kim Blaylock, County Executive

DATE: March 4, 2009

RE: Planning Agenda

Listed below are items to be considered by the County's Planning Committee on Monday, March 9, 2009, at 6:00 PM in the County Commission Chambers at the Courthouse.

1. Hear from Trustee Gail Glover.
2. Any other business that needs to be reviewed by the Planning Committee.

NOMINATING AGENDA

TO: Putnam County Board of Commissioners

FROM: Kim Blaylock, County Executive

DATE: March 4, 2009

RE: Nominating Committee Agenda

Listed below are the items to be considered by the County Nominating Committee on Monday, March 9, 2009 at 5:30 PM in the County Commission Chambers in the Courthouse.

1. Consider 6 appointments to the Awards Committee. Two appointments are 2 year terms to expire 2011 and the other 4 appointments are 1 year terms to expire 2010.

Current Members are:

Johnnie Wheeler	2 year term
Anna Ruth Burroughs	2 year term
Reggie Shanks	1 year term
Andy Honeycutt	1 year term
Wayne Nabors	1 year term
Diane Callahan	1 year term

2. Any other business that needs to be reviewed by the Nominating Committee.