

PUTNAM TOWNSHIP BOARD
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Putnam Township Hall, 3280 W. M-36, Pinckney, Mi.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2011

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 5:05 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Rau. Meeting was noticed in accordance with the Open Meetings Act (P.A. 1976, No. 267).

ROLL CALL

Present: Rau, Guyon, Carney, Press, Klein and McCloskey

Absent: Chambers

Others present: Carrie Humble, Recording Secretary

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Opened at 5:07 PM.

No one in attendance.

Closed at 5:08 PM.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Guyon and supported by Carney to approve the agenda as presented. MOTION CARRIED, 6-0.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Closed Session: **A motion was made by Guyon and supported by Klein to adjourn to closed session at 5:09 PM to consult with the Township Attorney regarding trial or settlement strategy in connection with two separate but related pending litigation cases, both titled *Hendee v. Putnam Township*, one currently pending in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit and the other in the Livingston County Circuit Court, because we believe an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the litigating or settlement position of the public body. Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Guyon, Rau, Press, Carney, Klein and McCloskey. Nays: None. MOTION CARRIED.**

A motion was made by Rau and supported by Klein to return to Open Session at 5:56 PM. Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Guyon, Rau, Press, Carney, Klein and McCloskey. Nays: None. MOTION CARRIED.

A motion was made by Guyon and supported by Press to authorize the Township Attorney to contact the Plaintiff's counsel to offer a settlement of both cases titled *Hendee v. Putnam Township* (Livingston County Circuit Court Case No. 11-26164-CZ and United States Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit, Case No. 11-1741) which in total does not exceed the amount discussed in closed session. The settlement would be contingent on the parties approving, executing and filing any necessary final settlement documents as drafted or reviewed by the Township Attorney. Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Guyon, Rau, Press, Carney, Klein and McCloskey. Nays: None. MOTION CARRIED.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Opened at 5:57 PM.

No one in attendance.

Closed at 5:58 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 5:58 PM.

Carrie Humble
Deputy Clerk
Recording Secretary

Reviewed by:
Sally D. Guyon
Putnam Township Clerk