

**Public Hearings  
&  
Regular Meeting  
Of the  
Putnam Town Board**

April 13, 2023, 6:30PM ~ Putnam Town Hall ~ Zoom

**6:30 Open Public Hearing on Local Law #1 of 2023**

Local Law Establishing Public Beach Rules in the Town of Putnam

Supervisor Wilson opened the public hearing asking for comments from the floor.

There were none. Councilwoman Schneider commented she'd like to see the fine be heavier. There was no further comment.

**Local Law #1 of 2023 public hearing closed 6:31**

**6:32 Open Public Hearing on Local Law #2 of 2023**

Local law Establishing a tax exemption for Volunteers Firefighters & Ambulance workers

Supervisor Wilson opened the public hearing asking for comments from the floor.

There were none.

**Local Law #2 of 2023 public hearing closed 6:33PM**

**6:33PM Open Public Hearing on Local Law #3 of 2023**

Local Law Establishing a tax exemption for Seniors and qualified persons in the Town of Putnam

Supervisor Wilson opened the public hearing asking for comments from the floor.

There were none.

**Local Law #3 of 2023 public hearing closed 6:34PM**

**6:34PM Open Public Hearing on Local Law #4**

Local Law to permit the appointment of a Planning Board Alternate

Supervisor Wilson opened the public hearing asking for comments from the floor.

There were none.

**Local Law #4 of 2023 public hearing closed 6:35PM**

**6:35 Regular Meeting called to order**

Councilman Charles Bain led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call**

<b>Members present:</b>	Supervisor	Darrell Wilson
	Councilman	Christopher Mallon
	Councilman	Larry Shiell
	Councilwoman	Carole Schneider
	Councilman	Charles Bain

**Others present:** Mary Jane Dedrick (Deputy Clerk, P.O. Box 14), Bill Brown (Planning Board Chair, 17 Charter Brook Lane), Cee McKenzie (BAR Chair, Budget Officer, 526 Gull Bay Rd), May Drinkwine-Shiell (Resident, 439 County Route 3), Wayne Busby (Planning Board Member, 11 Charter Brook Lane),

Kayla Bennett (Resident, 526 Liddle-Harris Road), Mark Karlson (Planning Board Member, 2388 Black Point Way), Kay Greenough (Resident, 427 County Route 3)

**Present via ZOOM:** Dave Manchester (Resident, 5177 Sagamore Road)

**Resolution # 30**

**Accept the minutes of the March 9, 2023, Regular Meeting**

On motion of Councilman Charlie Bain, seconded by Councilman Larry Shiell; all in favor.  
Resolution unanimously adopted.

**Resolution #31**

**Accept the Financial reports for the month of March 2023**

On motion of Councilwoman Carole Schneider, seconded by Councilman Larry Shiell; all in favor.  
Resolution unanimously adopted.

**Resolution # 32**

**Accept the Town Clerk's report for the month of March 2023**

On motion of Councilwoman Carole Schneider, seconded by Councilman Charlie Bain all in favor.  
Resolution unanimously adopted.

**Resolution # 33**

**Accept the Town Justice Report for the month of March 2023**

On motion of Councilwoman Carole Schneider, seconded by Councilman Chris Mallon; all in favor.  
Resolution unanimously adopted.

**Resolution #34**

**Pay bills as audited**

On motion of Councilman Chris Mallon, seconded by Councilman Larry Shiell; all in favor.  
Resolution unanimously adopted.

Resolved, the bills on the following are paid as audited.

General Fund	# 58-90	\$42,864.83
Highway Fund	# 20-34	\$17,166.86
Black Point Sewer District	# 3	\$21,123.14

**Correspondence**

Joan Rock- mailed a letter of appreciation, from the Putnam Seniors Group to the Town, for the group's St. Patrick's Day outing to the Hot Biscuit Diner for corned beef and cabbage, which has become a tradition for the group.

**Courtesy of the floor**

Supervisor Wilson asked if there were any comments from the floor twice. There were none.

**Highway Report**

Highway Superintendent (HS) Gary Treadway gave a written report in his absence indicating that the water separator at the highway barn has routine maintenance due soon. The company previously used has not been responsive to providing an estimate. HS Treadway indicated that he has checked into other companies and expects the service to be upward of \$5000, much more than previously paid. He will get estimates.

Supervisor Wilson gave a brief update about the stages of the CHPE activity in Putnam. A brief discussion about the activity took place.

**Planning Board Report** (6:55)

Chairman Bill Brown reported that the Planning Board met on April 12, 2023. At that meeting there were three public hearings, the James Harris, Route 22, project for a two-car garage/workshop/office, Donald and Anita Kennedy, Hutton Square Road, project for a single family 3-bedroom home with a detached garage, and Richard Schumaker proposed new home start on Black Point Road. Elijah Reale presented his project for a 2-bedroom home with an enclosed garage on County Route 2, a public hearing is scheduled for the next May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Chairman Brown reported on a situation at 442 Link Way where building outside of the submitted site plan and County building permit is suspected. A discussion took place about enforcement and a Compliance Officer, whether it is necessary, how much it will cost, when the officer would be dispatched, and general enforcement parameters were touched upon during the discussion. A workshop will be held with the Town Board and Planning Board, date to be determined.

**Fire Department report**

None

**Old Business** (7:33)

**Resolution # 35**

**Accept Local Law # 1 Of 2023 Regulating Public Beaches in The Town of Putnam with Change to Penalty Verbiage.**

On motion of Supervisor Wilson, seconded by Councilperson Carole Schneider.

**Roll Call:**

<b>Councilman Christopher Mallon</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Councilwoman Carole Schneider</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Councilman Larry Shiell</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Councilman Charles Bain Sr.</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Supervisor Darrell Wilson</b>	<b>Yes</b>

**Local Law #1 unanimously adopted with change to penalty verbiage.**

**Resolution #36**

**Establish Fine/Penalty Structure for Local Law #1 Of 2023 Regulating Public Beaches in The Town of Putnam. Any Person in Violation of Local Law #1 Of 2023 Shall Be Fined a Minimum Of \$50 (Fifty Dollars), And A Maximum Of \$500 For Each Offense.**

On motion of Supervisor Wilson, seconded by Councilman Mallon; all in favor.

Resolution unanimously adopted.

**Resolution #37**

**Authorize The Supervisor to Enter an Intermunicipal Agreement with Ticonderoga Regarding Public Beach Regulation Inside the Town of Putnam**

On motion of Councilman Shiell, seconded by Councilman Bain; all in favor.

Resolution unanimously adopted.

**Resolution #38**

**Accept Local Law #2 Authorizing A Tax Exemption for Volunteer Firefighters & Ambulance Workers**

On motion of Supervisor Wilson, seconded by Councilman Shiell.

**Roll Call:**  
**Councilman Christopher Mallon** Yes  
**Councilwoman Carole Schneider** Yes  
**Councilman Larry Shiell** Yes  
**Councilman Charles Bain Sr.** Yes  
**Supervisor Darrell Wilson** Yes

**Local Law #2 unanimously adopted.**

**Resolution #39**

**Accept Local Law #3 Authorizing a Tax Exemption for Senior Citizens & Qualifying persons**

On motion of Supervisor Wilson, seconded by Councilwoman Carole Schneider.

**Roll Call:**  
**Councilman Christopher Mallon** Yes  
**Councilwoman Carole Schneider** Yes  
**Councilman Larry Shiell** Yes  
**Councilman Charles Bain Sr.** Yes  
**Supervisor Darrell Wilson** Yes

**Local Law #3 unanimously adopted.**

**Resolution #40**

**Accept Local Law #4 Authorizing the Appointment of a Planning Board Alternate Member**

On motion of Councilman Shiell, seconded by Councilman Mallon.

**Roll Call:**  
**Councilman Christopher Mallon** Yes  
**Councilwoman Carole Schneider** No  
**Councilman Larry Shiell** Yes  
**Councilman Charles Bain Sr. (With reservation)** Yes  
**Supervisor Darrell Wilson** Yes

**Resolution #41**

**Establish Salaries for The Accounts Clerk & Supervisor's Clerk**

On motion of Councilman Bain, seconded by Councilwoman Schneider.

**Roll Call:**  
**Councilman Christopher Mallon** No  
**Councilwoman Carole Schneider** Yes  
**Councilman Larry Shiell** Yes  
**Councilman Charles Bain Sr. (With reservation)** Yes  
**Supervisor Darrell Wilson** No

**Resolution passed by the majority.**

Salaries to be determined.

A brief discussion about employees working on site rather than from home took place. Councilman Bain reiterated that employees should work from Town Hall or their respective worksites and not from home, Councilwoman Schneider agreed.

**New Business** (8:06)

Supervisor Wilson advised the Board of the Dog Control Officer’s resignation effective March 31, 2023. The ongoing, excessive time demands of the Putnam DCO job conflict with her full-time employment. Mrs. Brown has offered the continued use of her kennel to the Town.

**Resolution #42**

**Accept Dog Control Officer Melissa Brown’s Resignation effective March 31, 2023**

On motion of Supervisor Wilson, seconded by Councilwoman Schneider; all in favor.  
Resolution unanimously adopted.

Recreation Supervisor (RS) Mary Jane Dedrick reported that she has lifeguards lined up for the 2023 summer season. This year all the lifeguards are trained and certified, which will save the Town money on certifications (\$400 per lifeguard). RS Dedrick also advised that the 4<sup>th</sup> of July will fall on a Tuesday in 2023. The Town boat launch is closed on Tuesdays normally however she would like to open the boat launch on the 4<sup>th</sup>. Also, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Hauge has fireworks so she would like to keep the boat launch open later. RS Dedrick advised that Debra & Henry Sears will plant flowers at the boat launch this year.

**Resolution #43**

**Extend Boat Launch Hours on July 3<sup>rd</sup> & Open the Boat Launch on July 4<sup>th</sup>**

On motion of Supervisor Wilson, seconded by Councilman Charlie Bain; all in favor.  
Resolution unanimously adopted.

A meeting with TDI for an update is scheduled for April 27, 2023, at 4PM at Town Hall and via ZOOM.

Wayne Busby inquired what the Town will be getting monetarily from the powerline. Supervisor Wilson explained the Town will get two sets of payments. Mr. Busby asked if there are any plans for a new town hall. Mr. Busby asked that the Town budget money from the power project for a new town hall to accommodate public meetings, the Court, Town Clerk, Supervisor with their own respective spaces.

**Resolution #43**

**Motion to Adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Putnam Town Board at 8:20PM**

On motion of Supervisor Wilson, seconded by Councilwoman Carole Schneider; all in favor.  
Resolution unanimously adopted.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:20PM.**

**Next meeting May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at Putnam Town Hall & ZOOM**

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene Kerr  
Putnam Town Clerk

Darrell Wilson \_\_\_\_\_ Supervisor

Carole Schneider \_\_\_\_\_ Councilwoman

Christopher Mallon \_\_\_\_\_ Councilman

Larry Shiell \_\_\_\_\_ Councilman

Charles Bain Sr. \_\_\_\_\_ Councilman