SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE
PUTNAM COUNTY LEGISLATURE
CALLED BY THE CLERK AT THE REQUEST OF THE CHAIRWOMAN
TO RECONSIDER / OVERRIDE
THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S VETO RESOLUTION
OF THE
2021 BUDGET
HELD VIA AUDIO WEBINAR PURSUANT TO TEMPORARY EMERGENCY ORDERS

Thursday November 12, 2020
(Immediately following Health Committee Mtg beginning @ 6:00 P.M.)

The meeting was called to order at 7:20 P.M. by Chairwoman Addonizio who led in the Pledge of Allegiance and Legislative Prayer. Upon roll call, Legislators Montgomery, Gouldman, Nacerino, Albano, Jonke, Castellano, Sayegh, Sullivan and Chairwoman Addonizio were present. Also present was Legislative Counsel Firriolo.

Item #4 – Reconsideration of Budget Resolution #184 of 2021/ Move Civil Deputy Sheriff to Road Patrol / Vetoed by County Executive. Legislator Jonke made a motion to adopt the override; seconded by Legislator Castellano.

Legislator Jonke stated there was a letter from Sheriff Langley dated, November 9, 2020 which states, "the addition of a third deputy to this division would not be prudent as the addition to the patrol division would better help control overtime." He also stated, "Additionally, this would be a fiscally responsible change to increase staffing levels in patrol to reduce the gap(s) in staffing." He stated that the Sheriff supports this.

Legislator Albano stated that he would be voting no. He stated, unfortunately there have been articles in the newspapers that are not clear on what the Legislature is doing. He stated that the last thing he would ever want to do is defund any part of the Sheriff's Department. He explained that this would put the position back to where it was when the budget was presented to the Legislature. He stated that the Sheriff has the ability to move the person in this position where he is needed. He stated that he would leave that up to the Sheriff's discretion.

By Roll Call Vote: Four Ayes – Legislators Castellano, Gouldman, Jonke & Montgomery. Five Nays – Legislators Albano, Nacerino, Sayegh, Sullivan & Chairwoman Addonizio. Motion to override failed.

RECONSIDERATION OF BUDGET RESOLUTION #184 OF 2021/ MOVE CIVIL DEPUTY SHERIFF TO ROAD PATROL / VETOED BY COUNTY EXECUTIVE

RESOLVED, that Resolution #184 of 2020, moving a Civil Deputy Sheriff Line Item #15311000 51000 (109) to Road Patrol Line Item #17311000 51000 (150), after Legislative reconsideration, is enacted and the County Executive's veto is hereby overridden.

There being no further business, at 7:27 P.M., Chairwoman Addonizio made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Legislator Jonke. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted by Diane Schonfeld, Clerk.