

# ORDER ISSUED ON THE MATTER CONCERNING THE SPECIAL EXCESS LEVY ELECTION

That at a regular meeting of the County Commission of the County of Putnam, State of West Virginia, held on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2022, The County Commission of Putnam County being of the opinion that the maximum levies for current expenses authorized by Article 8, Chapter 11, of the Code of West Virginia, as amended, will not provide sufficient funds for the payment of current expenses of Putnam County including expenditures for the purpose or purposes hereinafter set forth, and that an election should be held to increase such levies under the provisions of Section 16, Article 8, Chapter 11 of the Code, as amended, it is hereby ordered:

1. That the purposes and amounts for which additional funds are needed are as follows:
  - a. Putnam County Emergency Medical Service = \$1,200,486.80
  - b. Putnam County Fire/Rescue Service = \$1,800,730.20
2. The additional levy rate being requested is \$0.03 cents per \$100.00 of assessed valuation for Class I following W.Va. Code §11-8-16 for the remaining classes.

Class I	\$0.03	Class III	\$0.12
Class II	\$0.06	Class IV	\$0.12
3. That the annual amount intended to be generated for collection as calculated for said purpose is to be approximately \$3,001,217.00, allowing for delinquencies and discounts.
4. Total assessed valuations for tax purposes in Putnam County as certified by the Assessor:

Class I	\$ 0.00
Class II	\$1,927,648,812.00
Class III	\$1,558,462,462.00
Class IV	\$ 222,687,562.00
5. That after passage of the special excess levy, that in the event the separate and aggregate assessed value of each class of taxable property within the County increases during the term of the special excess levy, the special excess levy rate will be adjusted so that the projected tax collection will not exceed \$3,500,000.00
6. Upon the passage and beginning of revenue collections of the levy, the Putnam County Fire Service Fee will be suspended and not collected for such a period of time that the levy is in effect and providing revenue. If the levy would fail at any time, the Putnam County Fire Service Fee will be reinstated at the current rates to begin at the time the levy revenue collection expires.
7. Upon approval of the proposed increased levy, the Putnam County Commission will not issue bonds as authorized by West Virginia Code Chapter 11, Article 8, Section 16, as amended.
8. That the question of such additional levy shall be submitted to a vote at a **General Election** to be held on the **8th** day of **November, 2022**.

R. Andrew Skidmore, President  
Putnam County Commission