

Town of Putnam
Economic Development
Regular Meeting
Room 201
Tuesday October 13, 2026
Putnam Municipal Complex
200 School St.
Putnam, CT 06260

MINUTES

PRESENT: L. Konicki, Chairman, M. Bogdanski, Vice Chairman, Doug Taylor

ABSENT: P. Grenier

ALSO PRESENT: M.A. Chinatti, Econ. & Comm. Dev./Redev. Dir. Susan Ramos

Recording Secretary

a. Call to order: Chairman Konicki called the meeting to order at 8:30am Roll call was taken and it was determined a quorum was present.

b. Approval of Minutes: July 14, 2026

(M/S/C) Bogdanski/Taylor* to approve the July 14 minutes. Carried unanimously.

c. Communications: No New Communications

d. New Business;

I. EDC Trust Fund Allocation – Public Art

II. Receipt of Letter of Resignation

I. MA Chinatti explained part of the public art installation included the concrete. The mayor had indicated the Town would pay. Travis Sirrine didn't have it in their budget, the mayor then asked for it to come from the Trust Fund. Currently the one installation concrete bill is \$2345.00, asking that the commission approve that amount from the Trust Fund and there will also be two more asking to approve those not exceeding \$3000.00 each. Chairman Konicki asked what the balance is in the trust fund and MA Chinatti replied over \$460,000.00. **(M/S/C) Bogdanski/Taylor*** to approve the Trust Fund allocation. Carried unanimously.

II. Chairman Konicki stated he was in receipt of a letter of resignation from Oliver Williamson stating he has moved out of town. **(M/S/C) Taylor/Bogdanski*** to approve the letter of resignation. Carried unanimously.

e. Reports of Officers and Committees:

MA Chinatti explains her report adding with regards to passenger rails, the State of Ct DOT has their comment period open to the end of the day on October 13, 2026. MA Chinatti will distribute the comment link. MA Chinatti attended a public informational put on by the DOT at the New London Public Library. The plans show New Haven to Hartford and New Haven to Providence, nothing for our area. MA Chinatti spoke with several people and stressed the importance, indicated how this area is always ignored and how we have at least 1000 surveys by people in favor of passenger rails. Chairman Konicki asked if it would be in the best interest to contact the other EDC offices in Eastern CT and send group letters. MA Chinatti stated that anything will help and has also contacted Southeastern CT Council of Governments Amanda Kennedy the Exec. Director and was told it wasn't something for them and to contact DOT. This has been a project that MA Chinatti has been working on since 2016 and stated our NECOGG is in favor. Chairman Taylor thanked MA Chinatti for all her hard work.

f. Old Business: None

g. Public Comments: None

h. Other: None

i. Adjournment:

(M/S/C) Bogdanski/Taylor* to adjourn at 8:38am. Motion carried unanimously.