

Putnam Special Services District

Public Hearing

Monday, April 13, 2026, 6PM

Meeting was held at the Putnam Municipal Complex, Room 201 and was called to order at 6:00 PM with 14 public participants.

The meeting began with The Pledge of Allegiance.

Anne St. Onge read the call of the public hearing:

The District Authority of Putnam Special Services District will hold a Public Hearing at the Town of Putnam Municipal Complex in Conference room 201, 200 School Street, Putnam, CT on April 13th, 2026 at 6PM, in accordance with Chapter IX Section 11 of the Putnam Town Charter. Itemized estimates of the expenditures of the Putnam Special Services District for Fiscal Year 2026/2027 will be presented. All legal voters and citizens qualified to vote in the Putnam Special Services District shall be heard regarding any appropriation which they are desirous the District Authority should recommend or reject.

Dated at Putnam, Connecticut this 3rd day of April 2026.

Anne St. Onge
District Authority Chair

Chair Anne St. Onge invited members of the public to come forward and provide comments on FY 2026-2027 proposed budget.

Gloria Marion voiced support for the proposed budget and asked about the use of \$50k from general fund. Vice Chair Joseph Carvalho explained that the \$50k will be used to offset the mill rate.

Kirsten Forester inquired about the district limits, eligible voters, contractual services and capital lines. District Board Members gave brief description of the district boundaries, and all eligible voters are those residing in the district who are registered voters or own property. Chief Ferace gave explanation of contractual services and information about what types of situations warrant use of capital reserve lines.

John Perry looked for clarification on school security item lines. Chief Ferace explained the purpose of the lines are for School Security Officers and School Resource Officers, adding that these are contractual with the Town of Putnam.

Cindy Bissonette inquired about proposed mill rate. Vice Chair Joseph Carvalho answered that 7.93 mills are proposed for FY 2026-2027 with an increase of .48 mill from 7.45 in FY 2025-2026

Motion was made to adjourn meeting at Vice Chair Joe Carvalho and seconded by Member Ross Johnson. UV. Meeting adjourned at 6:22PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stefanie Bellavance
District Clerk