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VILLAGE OF PINCKNEY AND PUTNAM TOWNSHIP JOINT MEETING AGENDA

Exploration of a Pinckney-Putnam Police Authority

**Wednesday, August 26, 2026
7:00 p.m.
Putnam Township Hall**

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 3. Roll Call and Introductions**
- 4. Public Comment**

Residents of the Village of Pinckney and Putnam Township are encouraged to respectfully offer comments, ask questions, and share their thoughts regarding the proposed exploration process.

5. Opening Remarks and Purpose of the Meeting

The purpose of this joint meeting is to begin an open and cooperative discussion about establishing a Pinckney-Putnam Police Authority Exploratory Committee.

The committee's responsibility would be to study the Village's and Township's long-term public-safety needs and consider what a joint police authority could look like, including its possible structure, governance, cost, staffing, funding, operations, and accountability.

Everything would be open for discussion. The committee would take as much time as necessary to review the facts, gather public input, and develop possible recommendations.

6. Discussion of Exploratory Committee Membership

Consideration of the following committee structure:

- Two elected board or council members appointed by the Pinckney Village Council.
- Two elected board members appointed by the Putnam Township Board.
- Between one and three community representatives appointed by the Pinckney Village Council.
- Between one and three community representatives appointed by the Putnam Township Board.

The Village and Township may also invite public-safety professionals, financial advisers, legal counsel, and other subject-matter experts to provide information when needed.

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7. Discussion of the Committee's Purpose and Authority

The proposed committee would:

- Examine the Village's and Township's current and future public-safety needs.
- Explore possible structures for a joint police authority.
- Review governance, staffing, service levels, costs, funding, facilities, equipment, liability, and accountability.
- Gather information and receive public input.
- Report its findings and recommendations to both elected boards.

The committee would be advisory only and would not have the authority to create a police authority, commit funds, enter into agreements, or bind either community.

8. Selection or Appointment Process

Discussion and possible action limited to establishing the process and timeline for each elected board to appoint its representatives and community members to the Exploratory Committee.

9. Questions and Comments from Village and Township Officials

10. Closing Statement

No decision will be made at this meeting to create a joint police authority. Any future proposal would be presented to the appropriate elected boards for public review, discussion, and formal consideration.

The goal of this meeting is simply to bring people together, establish an exploratory process, answer questions, and listen to the public as we work toward a long-term solution for public safety in both the Village of Pinckney and Putnam Township.

11. Public Comment

Residents of the Village of Pinckney and Putnam Township are encouraged to respectfully offer comments, ask questions, and share their thoughts regarding the proposed exploration process.

12. Adjournment