

Benton County Commission

January 30, 2023

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on January 30, 2023 at the Board Room. Attendance: Larry Berry, Present: Scott Harms, Present: Steve Daleske, Present.

Approval of Prior Minutes

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry made the motion to approve prior minutes dated 1/23/2023. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

David Malecki

David Malecki is present at today's meeting.

Missouri Department of Transportation

Commissioners drafted and signed a letter to the Missouri Department of Transportation, to show support of the proposed USBR-51. This proposed bicycle route will enter Benton County at MO Hwy. VV on the Hickory County line and exit Benton County along Old Hwy. 65 at the Pettis County line. This proposed route will travel some of the most scenic portions of the County.

Gray Avenue

Commissioners signed the agreement to begin design and construction of Gray Avenue Bridge that has been received from McClure Engineering.

Emergency Management

Emergency Management Director Mark Richerson met with Commissioners to discuss fire protection issues in the southern portion of the County.

Prosecuting Attorney

Prosecuting Attorney Rod Richardson and Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Dan Hagedorn met with Commissioners to discuss the County Ordinance #2022-1 that was enacted in April, 2022, pertaining to containment of vicious dogs. Sheriff Eric Knox was also present.

Sheriff

Sheriff Eric Knox and Major Dean Noll met with Commissioners to submit information pertaining to the purchase of body cameras for deputies and detention officers. Bids had been solicited from all vendors approved for purchase by the State of Missouri. The selected vendor presented a 5-year contract that met all unique specifications, including providing 50 cameras, a full warranty program, and training for the Sheriff's staff. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to sign the contract as submitted. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

Treasurer and County Clerk Reports

The Treasurer presented his weekly financial report; the County Clerk submitted bills for approval and payment.

Seat Belt Policy

Commissioners discussed the adoption of a seat belt policy, to require officials and employees to wear seat belts while in county-owned vehicles and on county business. Additional information will be gathered and discussed before a policy is adopted.

Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 2/6/2023. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Signatures



Steve Daleske
Presiding Commissioner