

# Benton County Commission

July 05, 2022

## Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on July 5, 2022 at the Board Room. Attendance: Larry Berry, Present: Scott Harms, Present: Steve Daleske, Present.

## Approval of Prior Minutes

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to approve prior minutes dated 6/27/2022. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry 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.

## R-9 School Superintendent

R-9 School Superintendent Scott Gemes met with Commissioners to introduce himself, and noted that R-9 Schools will begin the 2022-2023 session on August 23.

## County Clerk Report

County Clerk Susan Porterfield presented monthly budget reports for each department; bills were submitted for approval and payment.

## Economic Development

Commissioners discussed the current arrangement for the Benton County Economic Development Director, noting that the grant that had funded this program expired on June 30, 2022. Commissioners consider this a necessary position in order to promote economic development throughout the County. Jo Ann Lane currently holds this position and has expressed interest in retaining it.

## Bid Opening - Cold Mix Asphalt

The bid opening was held for Road District #1 for cold mix asphalt. Bids were received from Leo O'Laughlin, Inc., at a cost of \$81.85 per ton, and from Vance Brothers, Inc., at a cost of \$80.75 per ton.

## Courthouse Security

Commissioners met with TectronIQ representative Rachel Wolf, and Federal Protection Company representatives Garrett Bills and Gabe Brown to discuss Courthouse security measures.

## Engineering Services

Commissioners reviewed the RFQ's for On-Call Land Surveying and Civil Engineering Services that were received. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to select McClure Engineering for this service. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

### **Major Dean Noll**

Major Dean Noll met with Commissioners to discuss progress of inventory of confiscated property and other personnel matters.

### **Treasurer Report**

Treasurer Rick Renno presented his weekly financial report.

### **Bid - Cold Mix Asphalt**

Commissioners discussed the bid opening for cold mix asphalt. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to approve the bid from Vance Brothers, Inc., District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

### **E-911 Director and Personnel**

E911 Director Jessica Mayfield, and Dispatchers Justin King, Melissa Stover, Holly Vest, John Migliazzo, and Ron Cobb met with Commissioners to express discontent with the current pay schedule that is used for dispatcher salary.

### **Economic Development Director**

Commissioners discussed the salary package that should be offered to the Economic Development Director; this grant-funded position through Kaysinger Basin Regional Planning Commission expired on June 30, 2022. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to hire Jo Ann Lane as Economic Development Director on a contract labor basis for the remainder of fiscal year 2022. Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Abstained), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes). Mrs. Lane has accepted this position.

### **Adjournment**

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 7/11/2022. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 4 p.m.

### **Signatures**

  
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Steve Daleske, Presiding Commissioner