

Benton County Commission

August 01, 2017

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Michelle McLerran Kreisler called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on August 1, 2017 at the Board Room. Attendance: Dale Jr. Estes, Present: Jim Hansen, Present: Michelle McLerran Kreisler, Present.

Approval of Prior Minutes

District 2 Commissioner Jim Hansen made the motion to approve prior minutes dated 7/25/17, District 1 Commissioner Dale Jr. Estes seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Dale Jr. Estes (Yes), Jim Hansen (Yes), and Michelle McLerran Kreisler (Yes).

Treasurer and County Clerk Reports

The treasurer gave his weekly financial report. The county clerk submitted monthly budget reports for each department; bills for presented for approval and payment.

MU Extension

MU Extension Community Development Specialist Michelle Kroll met with the commission and submitted a report that she has compiled concerning finance and job opportunities throughout the county in comparison to surrounding counties. She noted that over 55% of Benton County residents are over the age of 55, and most working-age residents travel to surrounding counties for job opportunities. Further data is being compiled to determine how great an impact tourism has on County sales tax revenues.

Motion/Vote - Fuel Bid

District 2 Commissioner Jim Hansen made a motion to accept the bid for Road District #2 for #2 red diesel from Warsaw Oil Company at a cost of \$1.985 per gallon. Michelle McLerran Kreisler seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Dale Jr. Estes (Yes), Jim Hansen (Yes), Michelle McLerran Kreisler (Yes). Other bid was received from MFA Oil Company at a cost of \$2.12045. The county accepted the low bid price.

Commissioners Absent from Courthouse Office

Commissioners then left the Courthouse to attend a meeting with Henry County commissioners, the Henry County sheriff and jail administrator at the Henry County Sheriff's Office/Jail.

Henry County

Discussion was given to a recent proposal received from Henry County that would enable Benton County to house its prisoners in Henry County's facility for an annual fee. A tour of the jail facility was also conducted.

Adjournment

District 1 Commissioner Dale Jr. Estes Ordered that the commission adjourn until 8/8/2017. Michelle McLerran Kreisler seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Dale Jr. Estes (Yes), Jim Hansen (Yes), Michelle McLerran Kreisler (Yes).

Signatures


Michelle McLerran Kreisler
Presiding Commissioner