

Benton County Commission
August 3, 2026

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, August 3, 2026, in the County Commission Room. Attendance: Larry Berry, Present; Scott Harms, Absent; and Steve Daleske, Present.

Approval of Prior Minutes

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske made the motion to approve prior minutes dated July 27, 2026. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

David Malecki

David Malecki is present at today's meeting.

Data Centers

Concerned citizens met with Commissioners to present information and concerns regarding data centers. Commissioners stated that they are reviewing information and have sent letters to State Representatives Rodger Reedy and Jim Kalberloh, Senator Sandy Crawford, and Governor Mike Kehoe, addressing their concerns.

TT & Singing Bird Lane

Concerned citizen met with Commissioners to address property concerns caused by a culvert on Highway TT. Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske directed him to reach out to MoDot, as it is a state highway.

Deerfield Estates

A representative from Deerfield Estates met with Commissioners to request information pertaining to the road leading to the subdivision; Commissioner Daleske stated that this road is not a County road. Further discussion will be given to this matter at a later date.

Commissioners in Recess

Commissioners took a short recess at 9:55 a.m. to go to the local quarry to ascertain the proper preparation of cold mix for Road District #2.

Commissioners Present

Commissioners reconvened at the Courthouse office at 11:10 a.m.

County Clerk

Deputy County Clerk Samantha Corpening presented monthly abatements for signature and approval. Bills were submitted for approval and payment. Monthly budget reports were presented for each department.

Data Centers

Commissioners conducted a conference call with a representative from Senator Josh Hawley's office pertaining to data centers.

Adjourn

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry ordered that the Commission adjourn until August 10, 2026; Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 12:55 p.m.

SignatureA handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'S. Daleske', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Steve Daleske
Presiding Commissioner