

Benton County Commission

October 25, 2021

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on October 25, 2021 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 10/18/2021. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

Mike Keith Insurance, Inc.

Mike Keith Insurance, Inc. representatives Jeanie Cunningham and Ronda White met with Commissioners to submit the 2022 insurance renewal rates for employee health and supplemental insurances.

Road Vacation - Ozark North Shore Unit 1

Attorney Jim Kjar met with Commissioners for further discussion of the road vacation of certain land in Ozark North Shore, Unit 1. Douglas and Annette Ray were also present. This Petition for Vacation had been originally brought to the Commission on October 4, 2021, and concerns from other property owners were noted at that time, stating that their water and dock access would be blocked by such vacation. This proposed Petition for Vacation is described as follows: From the Northerly corner of Lot 13, Block 11 of Unit 1, Ozark North Shore to the southernmost corner of Lot 1, Block 12, Unit 1, Ozark North Shore to the Southwest Corner of Lot 5, Block 12, Unit 1, Ozark North Shore to 22 feet south of the Northeast corner of Lot 11, Block 13, Unit 1, Ozark North Shore, to the point of beginning. Commissioners have discussed this vacation with the County's legal counsel, and proposed a revision to this vacation due to opposition that was expressed. The proposed revision is described as follows: From the Northwest Corner of Lot 7, Block 12, Unit 1, Ozark North Shore, thence westerly along the line extending as a westerly extension of the Northwest line of Lot 7, Block 12 of Unit 1, Ozark North Shore, to the easterly line of Lot 13, Block 11, Unit 1, Ozark North Shores, thence South to 22 feet south of the Northeast corner of Lot 11, Block 11, Unit 1, Ozark North Shore, thence to the Southwest Corner of Lot 5, Block 12, Unit 1, Ozark North Shore, thence northwesterly to the point of beginning. This proposed revision would allow adjacent property owners access to the lake as previously discussed. Upon discussion of this revision, District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to allow the revised vacation, District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

Road Vacation - Lakeview Heights

Attorney Jim Kjar met with Commissioners to discuss the road vacation of certain property described as follows: The 10' alleyway between Lots 278 and 279 of Lakeview Heights Subdivision. This Petition for Vacation had previously been heard on October 4, 2021. Commissioners have contacted legal counsel for guidance in this matter; no opposition has been expressed pertaining to this road vacation. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to approve this vacation as presented, District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

Treasurer and County Clerk Reports

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

E-911

E-911 Director Jessica Mayfield met with Commissioners to discuss the progress of radio communication upgrades for the 911 Center. These upgrades will benefit communication efforts for all County emergency services.

Resolution for Retention Pay for Employees

Commissioners discussed the adoption of a resolution that would allow for retention pay for County employees who have continued to work during the COVID pandemic. Other elected officials have discussed this resolution with Commissioners, and all agree that such a payment is in order. Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske made the motion to approve the Resolution that was presented, in order to develop a criteria under The American Rescue Plan Act, to allocate a payment to employees who have continued to work during the COVID pandemic which began in January 2020. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 11/1/2021. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Signatures



Steve Daleske
Presiding Commissioner