

Benton County Commission

July 06, 2021

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on July 6, 2021 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 6/28/2021. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

Bid Opening - Rambow Road Bridge

The bid opening was held for the Rambow Road Bridge project. Those present with Commissioners were Ionia Special Road District Board Member Matthew Hesse, McClure Engineering representative Mitch Gibler, Do-Rite Construction representative Mike Davenport, Widel Inc. representative Phoebe Bergeson, Cale Seymour Construction representative Cale Seymour, C & C Bridge representative Chris Childers, Brookfield Box and Bridge LLC representative Bruce Parn, and Gene Haile Excavating representative Gene Haile. The following bids were received:

- Brookfield Box and Bridge, LLC - \$511,280.00
- C & C Bridge and Concrete, Inc. - \$464,734.00
- Cale Seymour Construction - \$532,483.20
- Do-Rite Construction and Excavating - \$554,435.50
- Gene Haile Excavating - \$427,339.00
- Widel, Inc. - \$411,934.50

The engineer's estimate for this project was submitted at a cost of \$431,066.00. All bids will be reviewed before the bid award is made.

Treasurer and County Clerk Reports

The Treasurer gave his weekly financial report. The County Clerk presented monthly budget reports for each department; bills were submitted for approval and payment.

Coroner

Coroner Weston Miller met with Commissioners to discuss hiring an investigator for the coroner's office. This investigator would aid in case studies and reports, and would be available in the event that the coroner is absent. It is estimated that this work will only be approximately 6 hours per month; an existing employee is being considered for this position.

Budget

Commissioners met with County Treasurer Rick Renno and County Clerk Susan Porterfield to discuss budget issues for the remainder of fiscal year 2021 and upcoming fiscal year 2022.

Adjournment

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry Ordered that the commission adjourn until 7/12/2021. Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes).

July 06, 2021

Meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Signatures



Steve Daleske
Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

July 12, 2021

Convene

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on July 12, 2021 at the Board Room. Attendance: Larry Berry, Present: Scott Harms, Present: Steve Daleske, Absent.

Appointment of Acting Presiding Commissioner

County Clerk Susan Porterfield appointed District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms as Acting Presiding Commissioner for today's meeting.

Approval of Prior Minutes

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry made the motion to approve prior minutes dated 7/6/2021, District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes) and Scott Harms (Yes).

Treasurer and County Clerk Reports

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

Benton County Economic Development

Benton County Economic Development Director Jo Ann Lane met with Commissioners to give an update on economic development efforts within the County.

Adjournment

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry Ordered that the commission adjourn until 7/19/2021. Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Absent) Meeting adjourned at 11 a.m.

Signatures



Scott Harms
Acting Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

July 19, 2021

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on July 19, 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 7/12/2021. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

Collector

Collector David Brodersen presented his monthly distribution report of tax collections for the month of June.

County Clerk

County Clerk Susan Porterfield presented the Form 11 of Assessed Valuations, which has been certified by the Missouri State Tax Commission; districts have been notified of their current valuations. Bills were submitted for approval and payment.

Tonya Nathan

Commissioners spoke with Tonya Nathan via telephone conference call pertaining to the possibility of obtaining county-wide broadband services. Commissioners indicated their awareness of the need for this service and will continue to investigate options for its' implementation.

Rambow Road Bridge

Commissioners discussed bid information that has been received on the Rambow Road Bridge project. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to approve the bid from Widel, Inc. in the amount of \$411,934.50 as recommended by project engineer McClure Engineers, Inc., District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes). Contract award request will be submitted to MoDOT for approval of this project.

Treasurer

Treasurer Rick Renno presented his weekly financial report.

Jim Coggins

Jim Coggins met with Commissioners to discuss road conditions on Poor Boy Road and McLaughlin Road.

Quail Ridge Road

A concerned citizen met with Commissioners to discuss conditions and easements on Quail Ridge Road; he was instructed that this is a private road, and therefore not within the jurisdiction of the County Commission.

Board of Equalization

The Benton County Board of Equalization convened at 1 p.m. Those present for the Board were County Commissioners Steve Daleske, Larry Berry, and Scott Harms; County Assessor Jim Hansen, County Clerk Susan Porterfield, and Members at Large Pam Grobe and Corbin Cain. A telephone conference call was conducted with T-Mobile Central, LLC representative Dmitriy Matsyshen and Cell Tower Solutions representatives Walt Woodard and Chris Schrewsbery to discuss valuations placed on personal property equipment that is owned by T-Mobile Central, LLC. Corbin Cain made the motion to uphold the assessor's 2021 assessed value as presented, Scott Harms seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken: Steve Daleske (Yes), Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Pam Grobe (Yes), and Corbin Cain (Yes).

Adjourn - Board of Equalization

Scott Harms made the motion to adjourn the 2021 Board of Equalization, Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Steve Daleske (Yes), Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Pam Grobe (Yes), and Corbin Cain (Yes). Board of Equalization adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Fuel Bid

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to accept the bid for diesel fuel for Road District #2 from Warsaw Oil Company at a cost of \$2.39 per gallon. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes). Other bid was received from MFA Oil Company at a cost of \$2.575 per gallon; the County accepted the low bid price.

E-911

E-911 Director Jessica Mayfield met with Commissioners to provide an update on a new Emergency Medical Dispatch program that was implemented on June 8.

Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 7/26/2021. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

Signatures



Steve Daleske
Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

July 26, 2021

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on July 26, 2021 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 7/19/2021. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

Fuel Bid

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry made the motion to approve the bid for diesel fuel for Road District #1 from Warsaw Oil Company at a cost of \$2.39 per gallon. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes). Other bid was received from Zollicker Oil Company at a cost of \$2.615 per gallon. The County accepted the low bid price.

Treasurer and County Clerk Reports

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

Adjournment

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry Ordered that the commission adjourn until 8/2/2021. Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 11 a.m.

Signatures



Steve Daleske
Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

August 02, 2021

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on August 2, 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 7/26/2021. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

Peggy Crabtree Berry

Peggy Crabtree Berry met with Commissioners to discuss budgetary concerns pertaining to the Sheriff's Office.

Treasurer and County Clerk Reports

The Treasurer presented his weekly financial report. The County Clerk submitted monthly budget reports for each department; bills were presented for approval and payment.

Conflict of Interest Ordinance

County Clerk Susan Porterfield submitted paperwork for the re-adoption of the Conflict of Interest Ordinance, noting that the current Ordinance will expire on September 15, 2021. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to re-adopt this Conflict of Interest Ordinance as presented, District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes). A copy of this Ordinance will be filed with the Missouri Ethics Commission as directed by Statute.

Kaysinger Basin Regional Planning Commission

Kaysinger Basin Regional Planning Commission representative Sheridan Garman-Neeman was scheduled to meet with Commissioners this morning but was unable to appear.

Jailer's Pay

Commissioners discussed rate of pay for jailers and the feasibility of raising their hourly rate. It was noted that jailers received a \$2.19 per hour raise at the beginning of this year. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry made the motion to give jailers an additional \$1 per hour raise. The motion died on the floor for lack of a second. Commissioners will review salary schedules of adjacent counties, and will revisit this issue at a later date.

Commissioners Absent

At 1:10 p.m., Commissioners left the Courthouse Office in order to inspect a vehicle that will soon be offered for sale.

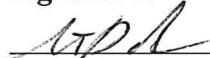
Commissioners Present

At 1:40, Commissioners returned to the Courthouse Office.

Adjournment

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry Ordered that the commission adjourn until 8/9/2021. Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

Signatures



Steve Daleske
Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

August 09, 2021

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on August 9, 2021 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 8/2/2021. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

Concerned Citizens

Janelle Mullen, Connie Vermillion, and Christy Alderson met with Commissioners with questions pertaining to county tax levies and department budgets.

Treasurer and County Clerk Reports

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

Benton County Economic Development

Benton County Economic Development Director Jo Ann Lane met with Commissioners to give her monthly report of economic development efforts within the County.

Crestview Drive

A telephone conference call was conducted with Carl Miller, pertaining to maintenance on Crestview Drive. Commissioners indicated that only a portion of this road is a county road, and the county is not responsible for maintenance of the portion that is not a county road.

Commissioners Absent

Commissioners left the Courthouse Office at 1 p.m. to attend a meeting at the Benton County Health Department.

Commissioners Present

Commissioners returned to the Courthouse Office at 2 p.m.

Collector Report

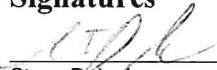
Collector David Brodersen met with the Commission to present his monthly tax distribution report. He noted that he has completed posting of tax sale properties as required by Statute. The County tax sale will be held on August 23, 2021, and will be held outside, at the Courthouse front door.

E-911

E-911 Director Jessica Mayfield met with Commissioners to give an update of projects currently underway within that department.

Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 8/16/2021. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Signatures

Steve Daleske
Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

August 16, 2021

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on August 16, 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 8/9/2021. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

Fuel Bid - Unleaded Gasoline

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry made the motion to approve the bid for unleaded gasoline for Road District #1 from Warsaw Oil Company at a cost of \$2.49 per gallon. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes). This was the only bid received for this service.

Fuel Bid - Diesel Fuel

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry made the motion to approve the bid for diesel fuel for Road District #1 from Warsaw Oil Company at a cost of \$2.48 per gallon. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). This was the only bid received for this service.

Friends of the Benton County Sheriff

Members of the Friends of the Benton County Sheriff group met with Commissioners to discuss budget concerns on behalf of the Benton County Sheriff. Staffing issues, pay, and benefits were discussed. Commissioners indicated their willingness to work with the Sheriff to overcome obstacles, noting that this will be an ongoing process in order to find a solution for all parties. Another meeting will be held on September 13 for follow-up in this matter.

2021 Tax Rate Hearing

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to accept the proposed tax rates for the 2021 tax year. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes). The tax rates will be \$.1350 for General Revenue, and \$.2108 for Road and Bridge, per \$100 assessed valuation. Other officials present were County Clerk Susan Porterfield, Treasurer Rick Renno, Assessor Jim Hansen, and Collector David Brodersen.

Treasurer and County Clerk Reports

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

KY3 News Interview

Marina Silva, journalist from KY3 News, interviewed Commissioners pertaining to budget concerns and staffing

issues at the Benton County Sheriff's Office.

Leave Policy

Commissioners discussed the current leave policy that is in place. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry made the motion to adopt a policy that indicates the following: if an employee is required to quarantine due to Covid-19 or any variance thereof, or if an employee contracts Covid-19 or any variance, employees will be required to use sick, vacation, holiday, or personal time for this leave; employees who do not have paid time available will be permitted to utilize non-paid time without penalty. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske. This policy will become effective August 16, 2021.

Adjournment

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry Ordered that the commission adjourn until 8/23/2021. Scott Harms 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

Benton County Commission

August 23, 2021

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on August 23, 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 8/16/2021, 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 gave his weekly financial report. The County Clerk submitted bills for approval and payment.

Medical Treatment for Detainees

Sheriff Eric Knox requested a meeting with Commissioners today, to inform them that the entity that had been retained to handle medical treatment of detainees has declined to provide this support. Commissioners met with Advanced Correctional Healthcare representatives Matt Shults and Amanda Miller at the sheriff's request, to discuss that company's protocol for treatment of detainees. A contract was presented that outlined the services offered. The County's legal counsel will be contacted for review of this contract. The Professional Services Agreement that was in place with Katy Trail was in the amount of \$130,000; the annual contract presented from Advanced Correctional Healthcare is in the amount of \$195,000 with an annual mandatory 3% cost of living increase.

Accident Report

Missouri State Highway Patrol Troop A was contacted for a copy of an accident report involving a sheriff's vehicle. The accident occurred on August 10, 2021.

Road Conditions

Commissioners discussed road conditions throughout the County, noting that asphalt projects have been completed. Road District #1 has expended approximately \$182,000 for asphalt, and Road District #2 has expended approximately \$200,000 for asphalt. Blacktop patching will continue as materials are available, and maintenance of roads and right-of-ways will continue as needed.

Adjournment

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry Ordered that the commission adjourn until 8/30/2021. Scott Harms 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

August 23, 2021

Benton County Commission

August 30, 2021

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on August 30, 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 8/23/2021. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

Drug and Alcohol Testing Program

County Clerk Susan Porterfield submitted the annual contract agreement for the random drug and alcohol testing program, noting that the current contract will expire on September 30, 2021. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to renew the contract with Midwest Collection Specialists, Inc., at an annual cost of \$625.00, for drug and alcohol testing, to be effective from October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

Assessor

Assessor Jim Hansen met with Commissioners to discuss the feasibility of beginning a program for online filing of personal property assessment forms. Initial cost for implementation of this system would be \$16,000.00 through Ulrich Software, Inc., with a license and maintenance fee of \$3,500.00 annually after the first year. This request will be reviewed for the 2022 budget cycle.

Professional Services Agreement

Commissioners discussed the agreement for professional services with Katy Trail, noting that that organization has requested release from the Agreement dated May 25, 2021, due to an inability to secure funding for this venture. County Clerk Susan Porterfield received a letter to this affect on August 24, 2021. This agreement had been developed to provide medical services for Benton County Detention Center detainees. Clause 13b of this Agreement between Katy Trail Community Health and Benton County details termination provisions. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to terminate the Agreement with Katy Trail, effective August 30, 2021. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

Emergency Management

Emergency Management Director Mark Richerson met with Commissioners to submit the annual Emergency Management Program grant for signatures. This is the annual funding application for the Emergency Management department that will be submitted to the State Emergency Management Association (SEMA) for approval.

Dean McMillin

Dean McMillin met with Commissioners to discuss the condition of a bridge on Harper Road.

County Clerk Report

The County Clerk submitted bills for approval and payment.

Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 9/7/2021. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Signatures



Steve Daleske
Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

September 07, 2021

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on September 7, 2021 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 8/30/2021. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms 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 gave his weekly financial report, noting that sales tax revenues are slightly up in comparison to this time last year. The County Clerk submitted monthly budget reports for each department; bills were presented for approval and payment.

Sheriff

Sheriff Eric Knox, Captain Dean Noll, Jail Administrator Nick Murphy, and Assistant Jail Administrator Steven Geske met with Commissioners to discuss 2021 budget concerns. Treasurer Rick Renno, County Clerk Susan Porterfield, and Commissioner's Assistant David Malecki were also present.

Fuel Bid

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to accept the bid for diesel fuel from Warsaw Oil Company at a cost of \$2.55 per gallon. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes). Other bid was received from MFA Oil Company at a cost of \$2.775 per gallon; the County accepted the low bid price.

Adjournment

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry Ordered that the commission adjourn until 9/13/2021. Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes).

Signatures



Presiding Commissioner/Steve Daleske

Benton County Commission

September 13, 2021

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on September 13, 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 9/7/2021. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

Friends of the Benton County Sheriff

Concerned citizens met with Commissioners and Sheriff Eric Knox to discuss budget concerns and issues pertaining to the Benton County Jail. Another meeting will be conducted on October 4, 2021, at 9 a.m., for further discussion.

Benton County Economic Development

Benton County Economic Development Director Jo Ann Lane met with Commissioners to present her monthly report of economic development throughout the County. Information was given pertaining to the development of The National Steamboat Museum that is projected be located at Marshall Junction.

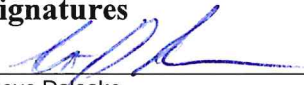
Treasurer and County Clerk Reports

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

Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 9/20/2021. 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

Benton County Commission

September 20, 2021

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on September 20, 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 9/13/2021. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

Paul Venable

Paul Venable met with Commissioners to discuss procedures of county government, and policies that are in place in Benton County. Mr. Venable is chairman of the Constitution Party of Missouri.

Racket Avenue

A county resident met with Commissioners to discuss road conditions of Racket Avenue. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry will look at the area to determine necessary maintenance.

Detention Officers

Commissioners discussed the rate of pay and salary for detention officers and armed transport officers. New salary schedules have been drafted and will be given to the sheriff for review. Treasurer Rick Renno and County Clerk Susan Porterfield were also present.

Sheriff

Commissioners met with Sheriff Eric Knox to discuss pay for detention officers and armed transport officers. Captain Dean Noll, Jack Spicer, Jo Spicer, and Cheryl Schofield were also present.

Ollis Akers Arney Insurance

Paul Long, representative with Ollis/Akers/Arney Insurance Advisors met with Commissioners to introduce insurance brokerage benefits offered by his organization. Commissioners will review the information submitted before a decision is made.

Treasurer and County Clerk Reports

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

Adjournment

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry Ordered that the commission adjourn until 9/27/2021. Scott Harms 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

Benton County Commission

September 27, 2021

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on September 27, 2021 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 9/20/2021. 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 was present at today's meeting.

Fuel Bid

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry made the motion to accept the bid for unleaded gasoline for Road District #1 from Warsaw Oil Company at a cost of \$2.47 per gallon. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes). Other bid was received from Zollicker Oil Company at a cost of \$2.575 per gallon. The County accepted the low bid price.

Fuel Bid

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry made the motion to accept the bid for diesel fuel for Road District #1 from Warsaw Oil Company at a cost of \$2.57 per gallon. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes). Other bid was received from Zollicker Oil Company at a cost of \$2.665 per gallon. The County accepted the low bid price.

Leave Policy

Commissioners discussed the Leave Policy that was enacted on August 16, 2021. At that time, no guidance had been given pertaining to American Rescue Plan funds, to indicate that these funds could be utilized for employees who were quarantined and/or tested positive for COVID-19. Information has since been received that the American Rescue Plan Act permits use of these funds to provide salary reimbursement in these cases. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to revise the current Leave Policy, to allow for up to 14 days of quarantine/COVID pay per incident, for employees, with the stipulation that a note from the Benton County Health Department or a healthcare provider must be submitted, indicating the quarantine/illness. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

Budget Amendment

County Clerk Susan Porterfield submitted information for the budget amendment. Revenues and expenditures were reviewed for each department. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to accept the budget amendment as presented, District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes). This amendment was necessary due to unforeseen revenues and expenses.

E-911 and RCS

E-911 Director Jessica Mayfield and RCS-Radio Communications Specialists representatives Terri Brazeal and Pete Shriver met with Commissioners to discuss radio communication upgrades. These necessary upgrades would benefit communication efforts of all emergency entities throughout the County.

Treasurer and County Clerk Reports

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

MU Extension/4-H Week Proclamation

MU Extension representative Amie Breshears met with Commissioners to present information pertaining to 4-H, and the learning opportunities that are available through this worthwhile program. Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske signed a Proclamation, proclaiming October 3 through 9, 2021 as National 4-H Week throughout Benton County. Commissioners encourage citizens to recognize 4-H for the significant impact it has made and continues to make with the youth in Benton County.

Howe Company, LLC

Howe Company, LLC representative Jon Dwiggins met with Commissioners to discuss services offered by his company.

Commissioners Absent

At 1:30 p.m., Commissioners left the Courthouse Office in order to review road conditions in certain areas of the County.

Commissioners Now Present

At 3:15 p.m., Commissioners returned to the Courthouse Office.

Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 10/4/2021. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

Signatures



Steve Daleske, Presiding Commissioner