

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



Steve Daleske, Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

July 11, 2022

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on July 11, 2022 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 7/5/2022. 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; the County Clerk submitted bills for approval and payment.

Board of Equalization

The Benton County Board of Equalization will convene on Monday, July 18, 2022, at 9:30 a.m. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to appoint Pam Grobe and Josh Sater to serve as representatives on this Board, District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

Fuel Bids

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry made the motion to approve the bid from Warsaw Oil Company for diesel fuel for Road District #1 at a cost of \$4.48 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 bids were received from Zollicker Oil Company at a cost of \$4.82 per gallon, and from MFA Oil Company at a cost of \$4.55 per gallon. The County accepted the low bid price.

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry made the motion to approve the bid from Warsaw Oil Company for unleaded gasoline for Road District #1 at a cost of \$3.845 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 bids were received from Zollicker Oil Company at a cost of \$4.125 per gallon, and from MFA Oil Company at a cost of \$4.00 per gallon. The County accepted the low bid price.

Lane's Quality Service

Lane's Quality Service representative Rob Lane met with Commissioners to discuss necessary repairs at the Benton County Detention Center.

Benton County Economic Development Director

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

Twin Hills Road

A resident from the Twin Hills Road area met with Commissioners to discuss road conditions on that road.

Collector Report

The County Collector met with Commissioners to present the monthly distribution report of tax collections.

County Building Security

TectronIQ representative Rachel Wolf met with Commissioners to discuss security measures for County buildings as submitted by Federal Protection, Inc.

Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 7/18/2022. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 1:36 p.m.

Signatures



Steve Daleske
Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

July 18, 2022

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on July 18, 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 7/11/2022, 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.

Treasurer and County Clerk Report

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

Jackson Avenue

Henry Coslet met with Commissioners to discuss road conditions on Jackson Avenue.

Board of Equalization

The Benton County Board of Equalization convened at 9:30 a.m. Those present for the Board were: Steve Daleske, Larry Berry, and Scott Harms, Commissioners; Jim Hansen, County Assessor; Liz Blankenship, Deputy Assessor; Susan Porterfield, County Clerk; Pam Grobe and Josh Sater, Appointed Members; and David Malecki, Commission assistant. A telephone conference call was conducted with T-Mobile representative Dimitri Matsyshen, to discuss valuations placed on personal property equipment that is owned by T-Mobile Central, LLC. Scott Harms made the motion to uphold the Assessor's 2022 valuations for this property. Larry Berry seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken: Steve Daleske (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Larry Berry (Yes), Josh Sater (Yes), and Pam Grobe (Yes), motion carried.

Adjourn Board of Equalization

Scott Harms made the motion to adjourn the 2022 Benton County Board of Equalization. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Steve Daleske (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Larry Berry (Yes), Pam Grobe (Yes), and Josh Sater (Yes).

Fuel Bid

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to approve the bid from Warsaw Oil Company for diesel fuel for Road District #2 at a cost of \$4.505 per gallon. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Scott Harms (Yes), Larry Berry (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes). Other bid was received from MFA Oil Company at a cost of \$4.54 per gallon; the County accepted the low bid price.

Courthouse Roof

Commissioners discussed necessary repairs to the roof at the Courthouse; Septagon has been contacted for this work.

Excess Vacation

Commissioners discussed that several County employees have accumulated more vacation hours than they have been able to use based upon COVID-19 restrictions and associated workload requirements. The Benton County Employee Handbook dated January 2021 (Page 26) advises that unused vacation will be forfeited if not used by the employee. To clear away excess vacation time, employees are urged to use this time before October 2022. At that time, any employee that still has excess vacation will be paid for that time. Between now and October 1, employees with excess vacation hours can request that they be paid for this time as it is unlikely that they will be able to take this amount of time off before October 1st. Each employee's supervisor will submit vacation pay-out requests to the Benton County Clerk. Effective October 1, 2022, the Employee Handbook procedure will be followed, which will automatically remove any excess vacation time.

Fiscal Year Expenditures

Commissioners discussed the inflation rate throughout the United States and indicated that the County's sales tax revenues have decreased by approximately 10%. Commissioners encourage fellow officials and department heads to closely examine budget expenditures and forego purchases that are not absolutely necessary. Although salary increases due to longevity policies outlined in the current Benton County Employee Handbook can still be processed, no additional salary increases will be considered until the Fiscal Year 2023 budget is prepared.

Globe Life Insurance

Globe Life Insurance representative Justin Harper met with Commissioners to discuss insurance benefits offered by his company.

Benton County Economic Development

Benton County Economic Development Director Jo Ann Lane met with Commissioners to present the quarterly report of the Enhance Enterprise Zone grant.

Resolution for Training

Commissioners discussed new regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation that requires road and bridge employees to have a Commercial Driver's License in order to operate county equipment. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to adopt a resolution to allow for the payment of salary for the duration of the training period for road and bridge employees. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry 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 7/25/2022. 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

July 25, 2022

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on July 25, 2022 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 7/18/2022. 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 is present at today's meeting.

Jackman Avenue

Mike Kerby met with Commissioners to discuss road and ditch issues on Jackman Avenue.

Benton County Tourism and Recreation

Lynette Stokes and Rick Renno met with Commissioners on behalf of Benton County Tourism. Information pertaining to upcoming events was presented, including Benton County BBQ Festival, Toyota Series Fishing Tournament, and Benton County Boutique Crawl.

Postage Machine

SumnerOne representative Andrew Gathright met with Commissioners to discuss postage machine options offered by his company. Further discussion will continue in this matter; current postage machine contract will expire in September.

E-911

E-911 Director Jessica Mayfield met with Commissioners to discuss the current salary schedule and pay amounts for E-911 personnel. Commissioners indicated that no pay adjustments will be issued mid-year.

Sheriff's Vehicles

Commissioners drafted a letter to send to Sheriff Knox pertaining to vehicle registration discrepancies, and insurance coverage deficiencies.

Missouri State Parks/Rails to Trails

Missouri State Parks/Rock Island Coordinator Ron Bentsch, and Missouri State Parks representatives Melanie Smith and Adam Embaden met with Commissioners to discuss the Rock Island Rails to Trails Program, and to introduce programs for hiking and biking trails that are being utilized on the Katy Trail.

Enter Executive Session

At 1:36 p.m., District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to enter into executive session pursuant to RSMo 610.021. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

Adjourn Executive Session

At 2:25 p.m., District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to return to regular session, District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

County Clerk Report

The County Clerk submitted bills for approval and payment.

Custodian

Courthouse Custodian Pete Crabtree met with Commissioners to discuss necessary maintenance at the Jail.

Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 8/1/2022. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

Signatures



Steve Daleske
Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

August 01, 2022

Convene

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 on August 1, 2022 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 7/25/2022. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes) and Scott Harms (Yes).

Approval of Prior Executive Session Minutes

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry made the motion to approve prior executive session minutes, District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes) and Scott Harms (Yes).

David Malecki

David Malecki is present at today's meeting.

Motion/Vote - Fuel Bid

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry made a motion to accept the bid for diesel fuel for Road District #1 from Zollicker Oil Company at \$4.25 per gallon. Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Absent). Other bids were received from Warsaw Oil Company at a cost of \$4.305 per gallon, and from MFA Oil Company at a cost of \$4.2764 per gallon. The County accepted the low bid price.

Motion/Vote - Fuel Bid

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry made a motion to accept the bid for unleaded gasoline for Road District #1 from Warsaw Oil at a cost of \$3.52 per gallon. Others bidders were Zollickers for \$3.94 per gallon and MFA Cole Camp at \$3.64 per gallon. Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Absent). Other bids were received from Zollicker Oil Company at a cost of \$3.94 per gallon, and from MFA Oil Company at a cost of \$3.64 per gallon. The County accepted the low bid price.

County Clerk Report

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

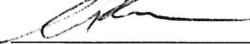
Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer gave his weekly financial report.

Adjournment

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry Ordered that the commission adjourn until 8/8/2022. Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Absent)

Signatures



Steve Daleske
Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

August 08, 2022

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on August 8, 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 8/1/2022. 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.

Kaysinger Basin Regional Planning Commission

Kaysinger Basin Regional Planning Commission representative Ryan Peters met with Commissioners to discuss new criteria necessary for qualification in the BRO bridge funding program through MoDOT and indicated that aid for this paperwork is available through Kaysinger.

Sheriff

Sheriff Eric Knox and Major Dean Noll met with Commissioners to discuss the Sheriff's request for salary adjustments for command staff in his department. When first requested, Commissioners opposed these mid-year raises due to the uncertain economy locally and nationally. Although the COVID-19 pandemic had resulted in higher sales tax revenues for Benton County, the periods before and after show a 4% growth before 2019/2020 and a current 2% growth. This was the main reason for the initial decision to not approve these salary increases. Sheriff Knox stated that several of his command staff indicated that they would seek other employment options if these increases are not provided. Commissioners asked the Sheriff what he would do the next time this salary issue arises; he stated that he would not hesitate to give up a deputy position to fund these salary increases for his command staff.

Effective January 1, 2022, legislation was approved by Governor Parson to link the salaries of all Missouri Sheriffs to the salary of Associate Circuit Judges. This bill will increase Sheriff Knox's annual salary to between \$85,000 and \$90,000 by 2026. He received the first increase in January and will receive 20% per year for the next four years. This is another unfunded mandate. The County already experiences this same mandate for the Prosecuting Attorney's salary. Also, effective July 1, 2022, all Associate Circuit Judges received a 2.2% increase which increased the salary of the Sheriff and the Prosecuting Attorney.

Commissioners reminded Sheriff Knox that during the preparation of the 2022 budget, he had requested a beginning salary for his deputies of \$17 per hour. Considering the urgent need for deputies, Commissioners approved an \$18 per hour beginning salary in the new budget. Even with this additional salary increase, the sheriff's department is short several deputy positions.

Sheriff Knox referenced Missouri State Statute 57.251 giving him the legal authority to hire any staff positions he chooses and pay any salary for any employee if within his adopted budget. Due to the absence of detention officers and deputies, he has funds to provide salary increases to his command staff. Although Commissioners agreed that the Sheriff has the authority to provide these raises, it is important to understand that the Benton County Commissioners must manage the entire county and not just one department. Finally, although Sheriff Knox believes that his department is independent from other county operations, all funds that are used to operate and maintain the County come from taxpayers, that is, our constituents.

E-911

A telephone conference call was conducted with E-911 Director Jessica Mayfield, who stated that trunk lines are currently down at the E-911 Center and have been since August 3rd. A copy of the letter drafted by Ms. Mayfield outlining these issues is attached hereto.

Postage Machine

Commissioners discussed lease options that have been received for the postage machine. Information has been received from Pitney Bowes and from SumnerOne. Pitney Bowes machine will cost \$827.28 per quarter, SumnerOne machine will cost \$279.00 per month. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to accept the bid from SumnerOne for this equipment, District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes). The County accepted the lease agreement from SumnerOne due to proximity of their offices, hoping for better maintenance and service from this company.

County Clerk Report

County Clerk Susan Porterfield spoke to Commissioners pertaining to the upcoming budget amendment and tax rate hearing; bills were submitted for approval and payment.

Hawthorn Bank

Hawthorn Bank representatives Chuck Allcorn and Dave Garnett met with Commissioners to discuss the month-to-month lease for office space that is currently utilized by the Prosecuting Attorney's Office.

Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 8/15/2022. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Signatures



Steve Daleske
Presiding Commissioner



Central Dispatch of Benton County E9-1-1

August 8, 2022

Attn: Benton County Commission

Reference: 9-1-1 Update

Benton County Central Dispatch's 9-1-1 trunk lines have been down since Wednesday, August 3rd. Lumen (a.k.a Century Link) and our phone vendor A&W Communications have been working on getting this issue resolved. On Thursday, August 4 we rerouted all Benton County 9-1-1 calls to Henry County. We took this measure due to the fact that when callers within Benton County would call 9-1-1 the call would instantly drop when we answered it on our end. We did put out a Facebook message stating, "Benton County 9-1-1 lines are currently down. If you call 9-1-1 and the call drops, please know we will call you back. We are able to see caller information. If your call goes to a different county, they will reroute you to our center."

On Friday, August 5th Lumen advised they would not be able to send a tech until Tuesday, August 9. It was explained to Lumen that this is unacceptable since this is a 9-1-1 center that is currently down and we could not wait until Tuesday, August 9th. They agreed to send a tech the next day. However, at the time of this update, the issue is still not resolved. Benton County 9-1-1 lines are still being forwarded to Henry County. Once Henry County determines the call is in Benton County, they forward the caller directly to our center.

Benton County Central Dispatch signed an agreement with INdigital for Next Gen Core Services and Text to 9-1-1, in May of this year. INdigital will replace the call routing service currently provided by Lumen. They are scheduled to install equipment and start setting up the network, on August 15th, 2022. A&W Communications will also be on site that same week to install the new Console Phone System.

I spoke with RCS (Radio Communication Specialists) and the repeaters were delivered this morning. They will be onsite Wednesday, August 10th to begin install of the new Radio System. I am waiting to hear back from RCS on questions posed regarding insuring the new communications tower and equipment. As soon as I have that information, I will forward it to you.

If you have any questions or require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Jessica Mayfield
Director of Communications
1231 Hirsch Parkway; Warsaw, Missouri 65355
660-438-9555 ext. 5

Benton County Commission

August 15, 2022

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on August 15, 2022 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 8/8/2022. 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 is present at today's meeting.

State Fair Community College

State Fair Community College representative Jo Lynn Turley is present at today's meeting; a second meeting between Commissioners and the president of the College will be requested at a later date.

Fuel Bid

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to accept the bid from Warsaw Oil Company for diesel fuel for Road District #2 at a cost of \$4.20 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 \$4.3624 per gallon; the County accepted the low bid price.

Kaysinger Basin Regional Planning Commission

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to renew annual membership in Kaysinger Basin Regional Planning Commission, and to appoint Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske to serve as county representative to this board. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes). Annual membership cost is \$2,604.16.

2022 Tax Rate Hearing

County Clerk Susan Porterfield submitted paperwork for the 2022 tax rate hearing. Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske made the motion to set the tax levy for General Revenue at \$.1300, District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes). District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to set the tax levy for Benton County Road District at \$.2107, District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes). County Collector David Brodersen was also present.

McClure Engineering

McClure Engineering representative Jason DeWald met with Commissioners to discuss updated bridge specifications for BRO projects as submitted by Missouri Department of Transportation, and to conduct a site

survey of necessary roof repairs at the Brady Annex Building and a second assessment of the old jail facility. Benton County Economic Development Director Jo Ann Lane was also present.

Commissioners Absent

At 10:30 a.m., Commissioners took a short recess to tour the Brady Annex and old Jail facilities

Jo Lynn Turley

Jo Lynn Turley is no longer present.

Commissioners Now Present

Commissioners returned to the Courthouse Office at 1 p.m.

Benton County Economic Development

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

County Clerk Report

County Clerk Susan Porterfield submitted bills for approval and payment.

Budget Amendment

County Clerk Susan Porterfield submitted information for the budget amendment. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to approve the budget amendment as submitted, District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes). The budget amendment was necessary due to unexpected revenues and expenses.

Emergency Management

Emergency Management Director Mark Richerson met with Commissioners to discuss the need to purchase air packs for County fire districts that cannot afford this equipment.

Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 8/22/2022. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Signatures



Steve Daleske
Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

August 22, 2022

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on August 22, 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 8/15/2022. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

Stopp and VanHoy, CPA's, LLC

Stopp and VanHoy, CPA's, LLC representative Mollie Malone introduced herself and her team to Commissioners; they will be present in the County this week to gather necessary documentation for the audit of Fiscal Year 2021.

Grey Avenue Bridge

Jay Wagler, Solomon Mast, Maldon Yoder, and Cliff Tanner met with Commissioners to discuss the closing of Grey Avenue Bridge. MoDOT closed this bridge in March, 2022. Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske explained new criteria necessary for bridge repair and replacement throughout the State, noting that Commissioners are aware of the need to replace this bridge; it is the intent of Commissioners to do so as soon as it is feasible.

Treasurer and County Clerk Reports

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

Wanta Linga Homeowners Association

Kay Brooks has contacted Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske with the following question: Do the roads in Wanta Linga Subdivision, Benton County, Missouri, fall under the jurisdiction of Benton County, specifically, with reference to set back restrictions or speed limits? The answer to this question is No, as Commissioners recognize this as a privately-owned subdivision.

Adjournment

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry Ordered that the commission adjourn until 8/29/2022. Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

Signatures



Steve Daleske, Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

August 29, 2022

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on August 29, 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 dates 8/22/2022. 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.

Treasurer and County Clerk Reports

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

Emergency Management

Emergency Management Director Mark Richerson met with Commissioners on behalf of local fire districts to request the use of ARPA funds to purchase air packs, noting this expensive equipment is vital for fire districts. Lincoln Fire District Fire Chief Mike Rambow, Lakeview Heights Fire District Fire Chief Ryan Metscher, and Osage Valley Fire District Fire Chief Ron Taddiken were also present. Further discussion will be given to this matter before a final decision is reached.

Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 9/6/2022. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 12 p.m.

Signatures



Steve Daleske
Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

September 06, 2022

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on September 6, 2022 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 8/29/2022. 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 is present at today's meeting.

Fuel Bids

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 \$4.37 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 bids were received from Zollicker Oil Company at a cost of \$4.495 per gallon, and from MFA Oil Company at a cost of \$4.5425; the County accepted the low bid price.

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 \$2.99 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 bids were received from Zollicker Oil Company at a cost of \$3.24 per gallon, and from MFA Oil Company at a cost of \$3.65 per gallon; the County accepted the low bid price.

Redwood Financial Group, LLC

Redwood Financial Group, LLC representative Billy Helvey met with Commissioners for follow up discussion pertaining to underwriter services for supplemental insurance and financial planning.

Drug and Alcohol Testing Program

County Clerk Susan Porterfield presented the annual contract agreement for the random drug and alcohol testing program, from Midwest Collection Specialists, Inc., noting that the current contract for this service will expire on September 30, 2022. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to renew the contract for this service at an annual cost of \$650, to be effective October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023. 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 presented his weekly financial report. The County Clerk presented monthly budget reports for each department; bills were submitted for approval and payment.

E-911 Upgrades

E-911 Director Jessica Mayfield, Emergency Management Director Mark Richerson, and Osage Valley Fire Protection District Fire Chief Ron Taddiken met with Commissioners to discuss upgrades currently underway at the E-911 Dispatch Center, in order to ensure compatibility of radio and communication equipment between departments.

Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 9/12/2022. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned dat 1:40 p.m.

Signatures



Steve Daleske
Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

September 12, 2022

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on September 12, 2022 at the Board Room. Attendance: Larry Berry, Present; Scott Harms, Present; Steve Daleske, Present.

Motion/Vote - Approval Of Prior Minutes

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made a motion to approve prior minutes dated September 6, 2022, Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes).

David Malecki

David Malecki is present at today's meeting.

Byrum Avenue

Residents who live on Byrum Avenue met with Commissioners concerning the condition of this road. Attendees were: Danny Richard; Joyce Richard; Lonnie Hardway; Margie Hardway; and Mark Breitenstein. They asked District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry to survey the condition of the road and conduct the repairs needed to make the road more useable for the land owners. Commissioner Berry agreed to see what can be done to improve this road.

Treasurer Report

County Treasurer Rick Renno met with the Commissioners to present his weekly financial report.

Commissioners Absent

At 9:15 a.m., Commissioners left the Courthouse to attend a meeting at the Benton County Detention Center regarding some construction work/drainage work with a proposed contractor.

Commissioners Present

Commissioners returned to the Courthouse at 9:45 a.m.

Benton County Economic Development

Benton County Economic Development Director Jo Ann Lane met with Commissioners to provide a monthly update of development activities. Director Lane discussed a request by Co-Mo Comm, Inc. for the Commissioners' support of their ARPA grant application. The Commissioners agreed to send a letter to the Missouri Department of Economic Development expressing support for this application.

County Clerk Report

The County Clerk submitted bills for approval and payment.

Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 9/19/2022. Larry Berry 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 19, 2022

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on September 19, 2022 at the Board Room. Attendance: Larry Berry, Present: Scott Harms, Absent: Steve Daleske, Present.

Approval of Prior Minutes

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry made the motion to approve prior minutes dated 9/12/2022. Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske 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.

Fuel Bid

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske submitted a fuel bid on behalf of District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms. Presiding Commissioner Daleske made the motion to approve the bid for diesel fuel for Road District #2 from Warsaw Oil Company at a cost of \$4.35 per gallon. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes) and Steve Daleske (Yes). Other bid was received from MFA Oil Company at a cost of \$4.365 per gallon; the County accepted the low bid price.

Transportation Advisory Commission Meeting

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske reported that he attended the Transportation Advisory Commission (TAC) Meeting sponsored by Kaysinger Basin Regional Planning Commission on September 15, 2022, in Clinton. Missouri Department of Transportation was to have a representative at this meeting to discuss BRO bridge funding requirements, and there was no representative present at this meeting. An emergency meeting of the TAC Board will be scheduled for later this month in order to ask questions of MoDOT concerning changes that have been made to the BRO program.


Treasurer and County Clerk Reports

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

Adjournment

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske Ordered that the commission adjourn until 9/26/2022. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Absent), Steve Daleske (Yes) Meeting adjourned at 12 p.m.

Signature



Steve Daleske, Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

September 26, 2022

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on September 26, 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 9/19/2022. 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.

Treasurer and County Clerk Reports

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

BRO "Soft Match"

Commissioners discussed the offer received from Pettis County, to purchase \$300,000 of soft match credits in the Missouri Department of Transportation BRO fund. This purchase would cost the County \$150,000 and could be made through utilization of the American Rescue Plan Act Fund. Benton County currently has no soft match credits, which are essential for bridge replacement in the County. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to purchase these soft match credits from Pettis County for the agreed-upon price, District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry 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 10/3/2022. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Signatures



Steve Daleske
Presiding Commissioner