

Benton County Commission

January 03, 2023

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on January 3, 2023 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 12/27/2022. 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.

Treasurer and County Clerk Reports

The Treasurer presented the year-end financial report; the County Clerk submitted year-end budget reports for each department.

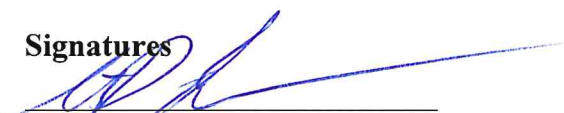
2023 Budget

Commissioners continued preparation of the 2023 budget today, reviewing projected revenues and expenses.

Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 1/5/2023. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 2 p.m.

Signatures



Steve Daleske
Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

January 05, 2023

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 1:00 p.m. on January 5, 2023 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 1/3/2023. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

2023 Budget Preparation

Commissioners continued preparation of the 2023 budget today, meeting with elected officials and department heads to discuss projected revenues and expenses. David Malecki is also present.

E-911 Budget

E-911 Director Jessica Mayfield met with Commissioners to review her 2023 budget requests.

Coroner Budget

Coroner Weston Miller met with Commissioners to discuss his 2023 budget requests.

Economic Development Budget

Benton County Economic Development Director Jo Ann Lane met with Commissioners to discuss the 2023 budget for economic development.

Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 1/6/2023. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Signatures



Steve Daleske
Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

January 06, 2023

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on January 6, 2023 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 1/5/2023. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

2023 Budget Preparation

Commissioners continued preparation of the 2023 budget today, reviewing projected revenues and expenses. County Treasurer Rick Renno, County Clerk Susan Porterfield, and David Malecki were also present.

Sheriff Budget

Sheriff Eric Knox met with Commissioners to review his 2023 budget requests; Major Dean Noll, Captain Edwin Sablich, and Joy Burkhart were also present.

Commissioners Recessed

Commissioners are in recess at 10:40 a.m.

Commissioners Now In Session

Commissioners reconvened at 1 p.m.

Sheriff Budget

Sheriff Knox and his staff returned to the Courthouse office to continue budget discussions with Commissioners.

Adjournment

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry Ordered that the commission adjourn until 1/9/2023. Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Signatures



Steve Daleske
Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

January 09, 2023

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on January 9, 2023 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 1/6/2023. 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.

Concerned Citizens of Ozark North Shores

Twelve residents from Ozark North Shores met with Commissioners to discuss a growing problem in that neighborhood pertaining to vicious dogs that are running at large. Commissioners stated that a County Ordinance was adopted in April of 2022, to address this problem. Discussion was given to this Ordinance and other State Statutes pertaining to vicious animals. According to these residents, sheriff's deputies have been dispatched to the area for intervention, but no action has been taken. Commissioners will reach out to the sheriff's office and prosecuting attorney for further investigation in the Ordinance, and to revisit this subject.

Fuel Bids

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry made the motion to approve the bid for Road District #1 for unleaded gasoline from Warsaw Oil Company at a cost of \$2.67 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 \$2.775 per gallon, and from MFA Oil Company at a cost of \$2.69 per gallon; the County accepted the low bid price.

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry made the motion to approve the bid for Road District #1 for diesel fuel from Warsaw Oil Company at a cost of \$3.25 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 \$3.705 per gallon, and from MFA Oil Company at a cost of \$3.95 per gallon; the County accepted the low bid price.

2023 Final Budget Hearing

The final budget hearing was held for the 2023 budget. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to approve the 2023 budget 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).

2023 Salary Schedule

The 2023 salary schedule was presented; District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to approve the salary schedule 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).

Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 1/17/2023. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

Signatures



Steve Daleske
Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

January 17, 2023

Convene

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on January 17, 2023 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.

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 reported that the 2023 budget has been submitted to the State Auditor as required by Statute; bills were submitted for approval and payment.

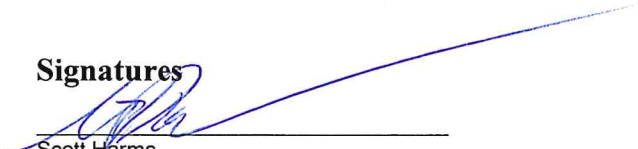
Economic Development

Commissioners drafted a letter to be sent to each city, requesting the city's participation in the economic development program for Benton County.

Adjournment

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry Ordered that the commission adjourn until 1/23/2023. Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Absent) Meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Signatures



Scott Harms
Acting Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

January 23, 2023

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on January 23, 2023 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 1/17/2023. 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.

Kaysinger Basin Regional Planning Commission

Kaysinger Basin Regional Planning Commission representative Dillon Harness met with Commissioners to review hazard mitigation guidelines and various roles of Kaysinger Basin.

Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 1/30/2023. 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

January 30, 2023

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on January 30, 2023 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 1/23/2023. 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.

Missouri Department of Transportation

Commissioners drafted and signed a letter to the Missouri Department of Transportation, to show support of the proposed USBR-51. This proposed bicycle route will enter Benton County at MO Hwy. VV on the Hickory County line and exit Benton County along Old Hwy. 65 at the Pettis County line. This proposed route will travel some of the most scenic portions of the County.

Gray Avenue

Commissioners signed the agreement to begin design and construction of Gray Avenue Bridge that has been received from McClure Engineering.

Emergency Management

Emergency Management Director Mark Richerson met with Commissioners to discuss fire protection issues in the southern portion of the County.

Prosecuting Attorney

Prosecuting Attorney Rod Richardson and Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Dan Hagedorn met with Commissioners to discuss the County Ordinance #2022-1 that was enacted in April, 2022, pertaining to containment of vicious dogs. Sheriff Eric Knox was also present.

Sheriff

Sheriff Eric Knox and Major Dean Noll met with Commissioners to submit information pertaining to the purchase of body cameras for deputies and detention officers. Bids had been solicited from all vendors approved for purchase by the State of Missouri. The selected vendor presented a 5-year contract that met all unique specifications, including providing 50 cameras, a full warranty program, and training for the Sheriff's staff. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to sign the contract 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).

Treasurer and County Clerk Reports

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

Seat Belt Policy

Commissioners discussed the adoption of a seat belt policy, to require officials and employees to wear seat belts while in county-owned vehicles and on county business. Additional information will be gathered and discussed before a policy is adopted.

Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 2/6/2023. Larry Berry 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

February 06, 2023

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on February 6, 2023 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 1/30/2023. 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.

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.

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 \$3.45 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 MFA Oil Company at a cost of \$3.70 per gallon, and from Zollicker Oil Company at a cost of \$3.76 per gallon; 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 \$2.84 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 MFA Oil Company at a cost of \$2.855 per gallon; the County accepted the low bid price.

Janelle Mullen

Janelle Mullen, representative of the Republican Women's Committee, is present at today's meeting to observe the activities of the Commission.

Missouri Department of Conservation/U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Missouri Department of Conservation representatives David Harms, Stasia Whitaker, and Zeb Jordan, and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers representatives Larry Smith and Bradley Wright met with Commissioners pertaining to some roads leading to Department of Conservation leased ground and Corp ground in the southwest portion of the County.

Nutt Road

A concerned citizen spoke with Commissioners pertaining to road conditions on Nutt Road. Commissioner

Berry will visit the area to determine what maintenance is necessary.

Janelle Mullen

Janelle Mullen exited the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

Seat Belt Usage Policy

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to adopt a Seat Belt Usage Policy, to be added to the County personnel handbook, as recommended by Missouri Association of Counties at their regular board meeting. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes). The policy states that all employees must wear seat belts when operating a county-owned vehicle, or any vehicle on county premises, or on county business.

Chief County Health Officer

Commissioners discussed the annual appointment of a chief county health officer. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to reappoint Linda Viebrock as the Chief County Health Officer for Benton County. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

Commissioners in Recess

Commissioners took a short recess to go to the Benton County Detention Center to investigate an HVAC concern.

Commissioners Now Present

Commissioners returned to the Courthouse Office at 1:45 p.m.

2021 Audit Report

The completed 2021 audit report has been received from Stopp and VanHoy, Inc.; no significant findings were noted.

Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 2/13/2023. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Signatures



Steve Daleske
Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

February 13, 2023

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 on February 13, 2023 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 2/6/2023. 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.

Executive Session

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry made a motion to go into Executive Session at 9:15 to discuss R.S.Mo.610.021 Specifications for competitive bidding..., and sealed bids and related documents.... Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes).

Reconvene From Executive Session

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made a motion to close Executive Session and reconvene at 9:17 in Open Session. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes).

Janelle Mullen

Janelle Mullen, representative of the Republican Women's Committee, is present at today's meeting to observe the activities of the Commission.

Motion/Vote - Resolution - Citizens Against Domestic Violence

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made a motion to adopt Benton County Resolution #2023-1. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). This Resolution was adopted to permit distribution of funds to the "Citizens Against Domestic Violence" facility in Camden County, MO. These funds are collected by the Circuit Clerk for distribution, to protect individuals from domestic violence.

Treasurer and County Clerk Reports

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

Address Concern

A resident requested information from the County Assessor concerning his address in the County and the problems he was having receiving deliveries at his address. Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske was asked to

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contact the E-911 Center to determine if this issue has been resolved. He was advised that the individual's address was correct and no follow-up was needed.

Bid Opening - Pole Barn Construction

The 10:00 a.m. bid opening was held for the construction of a pole barn building for storage of equipment at Benton County Road District #1. Four bids were received from the following businesses: Martin Metal, LLC - 2 separate bids were received, related to different types of metal roofing, one for \$44,893 for G-rib, 46 gauge metal, and one for \$46,404 for R-rib metal; Golden Rule Lumber and Construction in the amount of \$71,800; and from Martin Structures in the amount of \$55,336. The bids will be reviewed by the Commissioners, and an award will be made at a later date.

Economic Development

Economic Development Director Jo Ann Lane presented information to the Commission concerning economic development activities in the County since her last presentation in January.

Janelle Mullen

Janelle Mullen exited the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

Connell Insurance

Connell Insurance representative Malen Bratcher met with Commissioners to introduce himself and to present information pertaining to his company; Connell Insurance is a benefits and commercial insurance consulting firm based in Springfield, MO.

Travis Elliott

A telephone conference call was conducted with the County legal counsel, Travis Elliott, for clarification of issues pertaining to recreational marijuana, and to discuss logistics for development of a CLERF (County Law Enforcement Restitution Fund) and the potential for revenues to be generated for law enforcement and prosecuting attorney use.

Adjournment

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry Ordered that the commission adjourn until 2/21/2023. Steve Daleske seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Signatures


Steve Daleske
Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

February 21, 2023

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on February 21, 2023 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 2/13/2023. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

Approval of Prior Executive Session Minutes

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry made the motion to approve prior executive session minutes dated 2/13/2023. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

Janelle Mullen

Janelle Mullen is present at today's meeting.

David Malecki

David Malecki is present at today's meeting.

Pole Barn Construction

Commissioners discussed the bid opening that was held on 2/13/2023 for the construction of a pole barn for Road District #1. Bid specifications for this project provided for a 14-foot inside height, and it was determined that a 16-foot height is necessary. The lowest bid received for this pole barn was submitted by Martin Metal, LLC. Commissioner Larry Berry contacted Martin Metal and requested an amendment to the original building design to provide for the height requirement. The original bid was \$46,404 and the amended bid with height adjustment was \$49,350. Even with this bid modification, Martin Metal LLC was still the lowest bidder. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry made the motion to accept the bid from Martin Metal LLC in the amount of \$49,350, 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 presented his weekly financial report; the County Clerk submitted bills for approval and payment.

McClure Engineering

McClure Engineering Project Manager Aaron McVicker met with Commissioners to discuss specifications for the upcoming Gray Avenue bridge project.

Janelle Mullen

Janelle Mullen exited the meeting at 10:50 a.m.

Purple Wave, Inc.

Commissioners reached out to a representative from Purple Wave, Inc., pertaining to the sale of vehicles in 2022, specifically a vehicle that has been paid for but not picked up.

Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 2/27/2023. 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

February 27, 2023

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on February 27, 2023 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 2/21/2023. 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.

Weaver Church Avenue/Hickory County Road 153

A telephone conference call was conducted with Hickory County Commissioners pertaining to Weaver Church Avenue and Hickory County Road 153, and the possibility of indefinitely closing Weaver Church Avenue.

Treasurer and County Clerk Reports

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

Senior Citizens Services Board

Members of the Senior Citizens Services Board met with Commissioners, being Rodney Meyer, Michael Schnakenberg, and Amanda Lutjen. The 2023 budget was submitted; revenue and expenses were discussed.

Janelle Mullen

Janelle Mullen is present at today's meeting.

Road Conditions

Commissioners discussed road conditions throughout the County; blading and mowing will continue as weather permits.

Adjournment

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry Ordered that the commission adjourn until 3/6/2023. Scott Harms

seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes).
Meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Signatures



Steve Daleske, Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

March 06, 2023

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on March 6, 2023 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 2/27/2023. 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.

County Clerk Report

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

Rock Island Group

A group of citizens met with Commissioners to provide an update of work pertaining to the Rock Island Railroad Trail. Information was provided about existing trails and possible upgrades that could further the development of the Trail. Those in attendance included: Marge Lumpe, Rock Island Trail Working Group; Kim Henderson, Kim's Cabins; Cindy DeBlavin, Missourians for Responsible Transportation; Bob Meuschke, Cole Camp Mayor; Charles Hunter and Debbie Anderson, Cole Camp Working Group; Ron Bentch, Missouri State Parks; and William Smart, Ionia Mayor.

Commissioners Absent to Review Road Conditions

Commissioners are now absent from the Courthouse Office to check road conditions on Hilty Avenue, Lonestar and Cold Springs Roads, and to Lost Valley Road to view an area to receive signs and guardrails for a dangerous curve.

Commissioners Now Present

Commissioners returned to the Courthouse Office at 11:15 a.m.

Concerned Citizen

A telephone conference call was conducted with a concerned citizen, pertaining to trash and tires being dumped along Poor Boy Road.

Pratt Avenue

A telephone conference call was conducted with Margaret Pratt, to discuss road conditions on Pratt Avenue.

E-911

E-911 Director Jessica Mayfield met with Commissioners to discuss sign placement throughout the County; discussion was also given to the cost and feasibility of adding a tower in order to improve radio coverage.

Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 3/13/2023. 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

March 13, 2023

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on March 13, 2023 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 3/6/2023. 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/Janelle Mullen

David Malecki was present at today's meeting. Janelle Mullen was present at today's meeting.

Fuel Bids

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry made the motion to approve the bid for diesel fuel from Warsaw Oil Company for Road District #1 at a cost of \$3.63 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.

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry made the motion to approve the bid for unleaded gasoline from Warsaw Oil Company for Road District #1 at a cost of \$2.36 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.

Benton County Financial Statement

County Clerk Susan Porterfield reported that information has been compiled for the 2022 Financial Statement, as required by RSMo 50.815. This report was submitted to Commissioners for review and discussion. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to approve the 2022 Financial Statement as submitted, and to publish information in the Benton County Enterprise, Lincoln New Era, and Cole Camp Courier newspapers. 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 submitted bills for approval and payment.

Vehicle

Further contact has been made with a family member of the individual who purchased a county vehicle through Purple Wave, Inc., in 2022. This individual indicated that they are located out of state and are attempting to find transportation to come to Benton County and retrieve the vehicle. Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske will continue communication in this process.

Repeater Tower for Law Enforcement

Commissioners discussed possible locations for the new repeater tower to be constructed to improve communication for law enforcement; discussion will continue with local residents.

Guardians of the Children

Jim and Julie Snodgrass met with Commissioners to introduce themselves and their organization, Guardians of the Children, which is a group that advocates against child abuse.

Executive Session

At 10:10 a.m., District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to enter Executive Session, to discuss personnel issues. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes). At 10:15 a.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).

Benton County Economic Development

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

Janelle Mullen

Janelle Mullen exited the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

Cold Mix Asphalt

Commissioners discussed the purchase of cold mix asphalt; bids will be sought for this purchase, for 7500 tons or less, depending on price of oil and rock.

Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 3/20/2023. 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

March 20, 2023

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on March 20, 2023 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 3/13/2023. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

Approval of Prior Executive Session Minutes

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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.

Collector's Annual Settlement

Collector David Brodersen presented his annual settlement report, showing collections and distributions for fiscal year 2022. This report will be verified and filed by the County Clerk as required by Statute.

Fuel Bid

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to approve the bid for diesel fuel for Road District #2 from Warsaw Oil Company at a cost of \$3.34 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 \$3.61 per gallon. The County accepted the low bid price.

BRO Projects

Commissioners discussed BRO criteria for future bridge projects in the County; a meeting with board members of the special road districts was scheduled for Monday, April 3, 2023, at 9 a.m., for further discussion.

Ollis/Akers/Arney Agency

Ollis/Akers/Arney Agency representatives Cameron Black and Paul Long met with Commissioners to discuss the benefits offered by their company. This company offers property and liability insurance as well as employee health and supplemental insurances.

Deputy Storm Walker

Deputy Storm Walker met with Commissioners to discuss changes that have taken place in the State and Federal grant assessments.

Benton County Food Pantry

Benton County Food Pantry representative Chuck Allcorn met with Commissioners to discuss a funding request that was received from that entity. The Commissioners requested that the Food Bank provide a financial document showing income and expenditures for 2022.

Adjournment

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry Ordered that the commission adjourn until 3/27/2023. Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes).

Signatures



Steve Daleske
Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

March 27, 2023

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on March 27, 2023 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 3/20/2023. 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.

Public Defender Office Lease Agreement

An addendum to the lease agreement for the public defender office space was presented; Commissioners signed this lease agreement as requested and will submit it to the public defender's office.

BRO

Discussion was given to changes in BRO criteria for future bridge projects; a letter will be sent to each special road district, outlining these changes. A meeting had been scheduled for April 3 but was moved to April 10, in order for all county road districts to convene for discussion and proper implementation of these new requirements.

Grant Applications

Commissioners discussed changes in state and federal grant applications for the sheriff's office; a letter of understanding will be signed by Commissioners and Sheriff Knox to clarify future grant specifications.

Treasurer and County Clerk Reports

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

Treasurer's Annual Settlement

The Treasurer presented the Annual Settlement Report; the County Clerk will verify and file this report as required by Statute.

E-911

E-911 Director Jessica Mayfield met with Commissioners to discuss possible site locations for the new tower.

Executive Session

At 9:50 a.m., District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to go to Executive Session pursuant to RSMo 610.021.3, District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

At 10:05 a.m., District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to reconvene 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).

Bid Opening - Construction of Tower

The bid opening was held for the construction of a 100' tower for improvement of radio communication for law enforcement. One bid was received, from Radio Communications Specialists, in the amount of \$41,738.01. Further consideration will be given before a final decision is reached.

Benton County Food Pantry

Benton County Food Pantry representative Chuck Allcorn met with Commissioners to discuss a request for funds on behalf of the Food Pantry. A financial spreadsheet showing income and expenses for the 2022 fiscal year was presented.

Henri Mos

Henri Mos met with Commissioners to discuss sign placement and addressing issues on Cole Camp and Cross Timbers Road.

Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 4/3/2023. 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