

Benton County Commission

April 07, 2025

Convene

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on April 7, 2025 at the County Commission 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 a motion to approve prior commission minutes dated 3/31/2025. Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Absent).

Doug Ray

Doug Ray met with Commissioners to discuss his concerns regarding the new flood plain guidelines that FEMA/SEMA have proposed for Benton County, and the effects it will have on many citizens' property valuations. Commission urged him to contact State and Federal level representatives.

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.

Gary Batson

Gary Batson met with Commission to discuss the steps in acquiring a County wide burn ban ordinance in light of fires over the county in recent weeks. Mr. Batson and North District Commissioner Scott Harms discussed speaking with the State Fire Marshall, as well as other fire board members to pass a fire protection and fire prevention ordinance of their own per State Statute 321.220.

Adjournment

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry Ordered that the commission adjourn until 4/14/2025. Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Absent) Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Signatures



Scott Harms, Acting Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

April 14, 2025

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on April 14, 2025 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 4/7/2025. 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.

Prosecuting Attorney

Prosecuting Attorney Rod Richardson met with Commissioners to discuss the need to hire a part-time clerical employee for his office; Commissioners indicated that he should proceed as needed. Guidelines of possible implementation of a county burn ban was also discussed.

Corps of Engineers Contract

Commissioners discussed the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers contract for law enforcement/patrol services, noting that this contract for services will begin on April 18, 2025.

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.

Commissioner Absent

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry is now absent from the meeting.

County Clerk Report

The County Clerk submitted bills for approval and payment.

Sunshine Requests

Commissioners discussed Sunshine Requests that were received from several sheriff's office employees pertaining to Federal taxes and other withholdings in the payroll system. The software provider has verified the accuracy of information in the system; however, some employees have still noted dissatisfaction. Commissioners will contact legal counsel for guidance in this matter.

Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 4/21/2025. Steve Daleske seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Absent), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes) Meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Signatures



Steve Daleske
Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

April 21, 2025

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on April 21, 2025 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 4/14/2025. 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 Report

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

Kaysinger Basin RPC

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to renew membership in the Kaysinger Basin Regional Planning Commission and Economic Development District, and to reappoint Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske as the County representative 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). The cost for annual membership is \$4,136.14 for 2025.

Construction Management RFQ

Commissioners recently advertised for Request for Qualifications statements for a construction management firm for pre-construction and construction phase services for County facility improvements. One RFQ Statement was received for this service, from Septagon Construction. A telephone conference call was attempted to Nick Smith at Septagon for further discussion, but he was unavailable to take the call.

Crestview Drive

A resident of the County met with Commissioners to request maintenance on Crestview Drive.

Construction Management Firm

Septagon Construction representative Nick Smith returned a telephone call to Commissioners and answered general questions pertaining to services in construction projects. Commissioners discussed the information received. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to approve Septagon Construction as the Construction Manager for County facility improvements. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes). A telephone conference call was conducted with Mr. Smith to notify him of the County's decision; a contract will be presented for signatures on April 28, 2025.

TectronIQ

A telephone conference call was conducted with TectronIQ representative Andrew Ehlers to discuss upgrades to the Courthouse security system.

Sheriff

Commissioners conducted a telephone conference call with Sheriff Eric Knox pertaining to the Corps patrol contract.

Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 4/28/2025. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Signatures

Steve Daleske
Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

April 28, 2025

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 8:00 a.m. on April 28, 2025 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 4/21/2025. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

Construction Engineer Services

Telephone conference calls were conducted today with engineering companies to obtain information pertaining to construction engineer services for the Gray Avenue bridge project. Those contacted were Shannon Howe of Howe Company, Jason Sivils of Great River Engineering, and Aaron McVicker of McClure. These contacts were made in order to satisfy the Missouri Department of Transportation requirements for BRO bridge replacement projects. Information was emailed to MODOT representative Zachary Young to notify him of the County's intent to utilize McClure as Construction Engineer.

County Clerk Report

The County Clerk presented monthly tax abatements for signatures; bills were submitted for approval and payment.

David Malecki

David Malecki is present at today's meeting.

Septagon Construction

Septagon Construction representative Nick Smith met with Commissioners to present an agreement that outlines services and procedures of the construction manager for County projects. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to approve and sign the agreement 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).

Chad Sampsel

Chad Sampsel met with Commissioners to express concerns pertaining to several issues; he was referred to the Attorney General's office pertaining to these matters.

Treasurer Report

The Treasurer presented his weekly financial report.

Senator Eric Schmitt

Staff from Senator Eric Schmitt's office, being Tucker Jobes, District Director, and Michael Ussery, Field

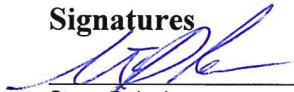
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Representative, met with Commissioners to introduce themselves and to provide information on legislative issues.

Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 5/5/2025. 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

May 05, 2025

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on May 5, 2025 at the County Commission Room. Attendance: Larry Berry, Present: Scott Harms, Present: Steve Daleske, Present.

Approval Of Prior Minutes

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made a motion to approve prior commission minutes dated 4/28/2025. Steve Daleske 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.

Motion/Vote - Fuel Bid

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made a motion to approve the bid from MFA Oil Company for diesel fuel for Road District #2 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), Steve Daleske (Yes). Other bids were received from Warsaw Oil Company at a cost of \$2.88 per gallon. The County accepted the low bid price.

Motion/Vote - BRO Bridge Contract

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made a motion to approve the contract from MODot for McClure Engineering to begin the phases of construction for the Gray Avenue Bridge Project. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). The contract was approved as presented.

Motion/Vote - Appointment of County Health Officer

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made a motion to re-appoint Barry Pabst as County Health Officer. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes).

Treasurer Report

Treasurer Rick Renno presented his weekly financial report.

Bid Opening - John Deere Motor Grader

The bid opening was held for a used John Deere Motor Grader for Road District 1. One bid was received for this equipment, from Martin Equipment in the amount of \$225,000.00.

Motion/Vote - Bid Opening - John Deere Motor

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry made a motion to approve the bid from Martin Equipment Company for a John Deere Motor Grader for Road District #1, at a cost of \$225,000.00; Scott Harms seconded the motion. The

motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). No other bids were received

Rolland Wolgon

Rolland Wolgon met with Commissioners to discuss concerns regarding improper sewer drainage; Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske directed him to the Environmental Division of the Benton County Health Department. Mr. Wolgon also expressed concerns on property lines and road blockage and was directed to seek legal counsel for guidance due to HOA bylaws.

County Clerk Report

Deputy County Clerk Samantha Corpening presented monthly abatements for approval and signature; bills were submitted for approval and payment.

Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 5/12/2025. Larry Berry 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

May 12, 2025

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on May 12, 2025 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 5/5/2025. 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 submitted bills for approval and payment.

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.

Advanced Correctional Health (ACH)

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske conducted a telephone call with Kevin Neville of Advanced Correctional Health (ACH) regarding medical services at the Benton County Detention Center. Mr. Neville will review the situation and send Commissioner Daleske an email outlining his findings and recommendations.

Fuel Bid

District #1 Commissioner Larry Berry solicited bids for red diesel fuel. Warsaw Oil Company bid \$2.88 per gallon. Zollicker Oil Company bid \$2.805 per gallon. MFA Oil Company/Cole Camp bid \$2.55 per gallon. Commissioner Berry made the motion to accept the bid from MFA Oil Company, 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 solicited bids for unleaded gasoline. Warsaw Oil Company bid \$2.59 per gallon. Zollicker Oil Company bid \$2.525 per gallon. MFA Oil Company/Cole Camp bid \$2.355 per gallon. Commissioner Berry made the motion to accept the bid from MFA Oil Company. Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 5/19/2025. 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

May 19, 2025

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on May 19, 2025 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 5/12/2025. 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.

SB 190/756

Collector David Brodersen and Assessor Jim Hansen met with Commissioners to discuss the tax freeze implemented by Senate Bill 190 and 756. Guidelines for processing and approval of applications was determined.

Fire/Emergency Protocols

Collector David Brodersen, Assessor Jim Hansen, Recorder Carla Brown, Circuit Clerk Shanda Schultz, and County Clerk Susan Porterfield met with Commissioners to discuss protocols to be implemented in the event of a fire or emergency in the Courthouse.

Benton County Health Department

County Clerk Susan Porterfield presented the annual service numbers on behalf of the Benton County Health Department. The total number of client services was 29,164, being public health services 16,185 and home care services 12,979.

Insurance Loss Control Consultant

Insurance Loss Control Consultant Sam Palmer had scheduled an appointment with Commissioners but was unable to attend; this meeting will be rescheduled.

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 5/27/2025. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Signatures



Steve Daleske, Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

May 20, 2025

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 12:00 p.m. on May 20, 2025 at the E-911 Dispatch Center. Attendance: Larry Berry, Present: Scott Harms, Present: Steve Daleske, Present.

Emergency Meeting - Storm Damage

An emergency meeting was held to discuss the overnight storm that caused substantial damage to several portions of Benton County. Others in attendance with Commissioners were 911/Emergency Management Director Jessica Mayfield, State Emergency Management Agency representative Gloria Brandenburg, Health Department Administrator Barry Pabst, 911 Dispatchers Ron Cobb and Brenda Hilburn, Warsaw Public Works Director Brad Blankenship, and Assistant to the Commissioners David Malecki.

Ms. Brandenburg provided information regarding procedures to apply for and receive grant reimbursements for damages sustained to government property due to the storm. She discussed the amount of financial damage that would be required to qualify for reimbursement. Several county roads will need to be cleared, and it was suggested that the trees, brush and limbs that would be collected could be sent to the Warsaw burn site. Mr. Blankenship stated that if reimbursement was available, the City of Warsaw could utilize their burn site to dispose of material from the government agencies and private individuals. This burn site would be open daily from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. for the period of May 20 through June 6, 2025.

Attendees agreed that a local state of emergency existed. Director Mayfield prepared an emergency declaration proclamation and/or resolution. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to approve the proclamation 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). Each agency that has expended, or will expend, resources to recover from this emergency will collect all information needed to apply for reimbursement from SEMA. The Benton County Commission Office will gather this information and submit the required documentation for reimbursement.

Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 5/27/2025. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 12:59 p.m.

Signatures



Steve Daleske, Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

May 27, 2025

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on May 27, 2025 at the County Commission 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 5/19/25. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes).

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to approve prior minutes of an Emergency Meeting dated 5/20/2025. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes). This emergency meeting was held at the E-911 Dispatch Center and was necessary for discussion of storm damage that occurred on the evening of Monday, May 19, 2025.

Bid Opening - Pistols

The bid opening was held for new pistols for the sheriff's office. Major Dean Noll was also present. Three bids were received in response to the bid request, being GT Distributors - Austin for \$25,361.70; GLOCK, Inc. for \$21,183.45, and Kiesler Police Supply for \$25,262.15. Each bid was reviewed. Major Noll noted that the bid from GT Distributors includes holsters for the weapons, and has a better trade-in offer. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to accept the bid from GT Distributors as recommended by Major Noll, District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

Commissioner Absent

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms is now absent.

Road Builders

Road Builders representative, Jeremy Manning, met with Commissioners to present information on equipment and services available through his company.

Treasurer and County Clerk Reports

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

Assessor

Assessor Jim Hansen met with Commissioners to discuss recent storm damage and indicated that residents can report property damage to his office and a re-evaluation can be implemented if property is uninhabitable due to said storm damage. Provisions for this re-evaluation of property destroyed by a natural disaster is pursuant to RSMo 137.082.9.

Adjournment

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske Ordered that the commission adjourn until 6/2/2025. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Absent), Steve Daleske (Yes) Meeting adjourned at 11:52 a.m.

Signatures



Steve Daleske
Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

June 02, 2025

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on June 2, 2025 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 5/27/2025. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

County Clerk Report

County Clerk Susan Porterfield presented monthly tax abatements for approval and signature. Budget reports for each department were submitted; bills were presented for approval and payment.

Fuel Bid

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to accept the bid for diesel fuel for Road District #2 from MFA Oil Company at a cost of \$2.56 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 Warsaw Oil Company at a cost of \$2.80 per gallon; the County accepted the low bid price.

Red Cross

A telephone conference call was conducted with JoAnn Woody, executive director for the Kansas City Region of the Red Cross, to discuss information necessary for Red Cross assistance due to recent storm damage. She will coordinate an assessment and respond to Commissioners via email with this information.

Storm Damage in Flood Plain Areas

Commissioners met with Emergency Management Director Jessica Mayfield to discuss the request received from Missouri State Emergency Management Agency for information pertaining to storm damage in local flood plain areas. Benton County Health Department Administrator Barry Pabst and City of Warsaw Public Works Director Brad Blankinship were also present. It was determined that no damage has been sustained within the confines of flood plain areas in Benton County within the dates that they submitted, and this information will be communicated as requested.

Benton County Tourism Commission

A conference call was conducted with the County's legal advisor, Travis Elliott, to discuss enforcement of the County transient guest tax that is currently in place. Procedures for collection of past due fees were also discussed. Members of the Benton County Tourism Commission Lynette Stokes, Jo Ann Lane, and Suzy Brodersen were also present.

Adjournment

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry Ordered that the commission adjourn until 6/9/2025. Scott Harms 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

June 09, 2025

Convene

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:15 a.m. on June 9, 2025 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 6/2/2025. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes) and Scott Harms (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 within the County.

Fuel Bids

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry made the motion to accept the bid for unleaded gasoline for Road District #1 from Zollicker Oil Company at a cost of \$2.455 per gallon. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes) and Scott Harms (Yes). Other bids were received from Warsaw Oil Company at a cost of \$2.53 per gallon, and from MFA Oil Company at a cost of \$2.74 per gallon. The County accepted the low bid price.

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry made the motion to accept the bid for diesel fuel for Road District #1 from MFA Oil Company at a cost of \$2.46 per gallon. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes) and Scott Harms (Yes). Other bids were received from Zollicker Oil Company at a cost of \$2.695 per gallon, and from Warsaw Oil Company at a cost of \$2.80 per gallon. The County accepted the low bid price.

Foley Equipment Company

Cody Painter met with Commissioners to introduce himself as the new representative from Foley Equipment Company.

Presiding Commissioner Now Present

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske is now present.

Executive Session

At 11:09 a.m., District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to enter into executive session pursuant to RSMo 610.021(1). District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote:

Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

At 11:30 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).

County Clerk Report

The County Clerk submitted bills for approval and payment.

Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 6/16/2025. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Signatures



Steve Daleske
Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

June 16, 2025

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on June 16, 2025 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 6/9/2025. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry 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 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to approve prior executive session minutes dated 6/9/2025; District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

Christy Barber/Sharon Kinnan

Christy Barber and Sharon Kinnan met with Commissioners to discuss road conditions on McKenna Villa Road. They also asked questions about past audits and the process required to adopt the County budget; Presiding Commissioner Daleske explained County procedures that have been put into place to satisfy audit findings. Commissioner Daleske also pointed out that each elected official oversees their own office, and each official will work to see that audit findings are carried out.

Bid Opening - Gray Avenue Bridge Project

The bid opening was held for the Gray Avenue bridge project. In attendance with Commissioners were Aaron McVicker, McClure Engineering; Tim Weis, Louis Company; Shannan Jenkins, Mera Excavating; Chris Childress, C&C Bridge; and Jason Houte, West Plain Bridge and Grading. The following bids were received: Louis Company \$746,966.47, Mera Excavating \$681,916.59, C&C Bridge \$667,338.00, and West Plain Bridge and Grading \$728,000.00. Bids will be reviewed before a final decision is reached.

County Resident

A county resident telephoned to express concerns about the allegations pertaining to the County Treasurer.

Collector

Collector David Brodersen met with Commissioners to provide a report of tax collections through the month of May.

Transportation Alternatives Program

Benton County Economic Development Director Jo Ann Lane met with Commissioners to discuss implementation of a Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) grant in conjunction with the Village of Ionia and the Rock Island Trail. If accepted, this would be a significant economic opportunity for Ionia. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion for the County to submit a grant application to the Transportation

Alternatives Program on behalf of the Village of Ionia, to allow for participation in the Rock Island Trailhead. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

Major Noll

Major Dean Noll met with Commissioners to report that a sheriff's patrol vehicle was broken into at the off-duty deputy's residence; this incident is under investigation with the help of the Sedalia Police Department.

County Clerk

County Clerk Susan Porterfield reported that information has been submitted to L.J. Hart Company for compliance with the Continuing Disclosure requirements for lease certificates of participation for the jail project; this information is requested on an annual basis. Bills were submitted for approval and payment.

Circuit Clerk

Circuit Clerk Shanda Schultz met with Commissioners to discuss new mandates from the State Department of Corrections, pertaining to submission of jail reimbursement claims; this role previously was the responsibility of the Circuit Clerk's Office, and has now been shifted to the Sheriff's Office.

Treasurer

The Treasurer did not meet with Commissioners but left information for the weekly treasurer's report.

Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 6/23/2025. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Signatures


Steve Daleske
Presiding Commissioner

Benton County Commission

June 23, 2025

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on June 23, 2025 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 6/16/2025. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

Gray Avenue Bridge Project

Commissioners discussed the bid opening that was held last week for the Gray Avenue Bridge project. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to accept the bid from C & C Bridge and Concrete, Inc., in the amount of \$679,338.00, as recommended by McClure Engineering. 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

The Treasurer did not meet with Commissioners but left information for the weekly financial report. The County Clerk submitted bills for approval and payment.

Insurance Loss Consultant

Sam Palmer, CSP, MS-OSH, AFIS, CAWC, Risk and Safety Tech Lead for Loss Control Services, met with Commissioners to discuss and evaluate County-owned property for insurance purposes.

Collector

The Collector met with Commissioners to review certain Senior Citizen Tax Freeze applications that were received after the deadline, or that did not have all pertinent documents included in the application. Commissioners noted that applications must be in order, and any application received after May 31, 2025, are not eligible for the tax freeze.

Executive Session

At 1:40 p.m., District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to go to executive session pursuant to RSMo 610.021.1 and 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 1:55 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).

Adjournment

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry Ordered that the commission adjourn until 6/30/2025. Scott Harms 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

June 30, 2025

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on June 30, 2025 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 6/23/2025. 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 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to approve prior executive session minutes dated 6/23/2025. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

Treasurer

The Treasurer presented his weekly financial report.

David Malecki

David Malecki is present at today's meeting.

Transportation Alternatives Program

Commissioners discussed the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) grant information that was recently received on behalf of the Village of Ionia from Benton County Economic Development Director Jo Ann Lane that would allow for participation in the Rock Island Trailhead. Further information pertaining to cost figures has been received, and costs associated with this grant could be as much as \$8,000. Commissioners noted that this expense was not presented at preliminary budget discussions, and no money has been set aside for this type of expense. Commissioners decided not to apply for this grant.

Collector

The Collector met with Commissioners to review certain Senior Citizen Tax Freeze applications. This review was necessary due to incomplete information on the applications or receipt of the application after the deadline. In cases of this nature, the application was denied.

County Clerk

The County Clerk presented follow-up information that has been requested by insurance loss control representative Sam Palmer pertaining to square footage, age, and type of construction of County buildings; Commissioners will compile information as requested. Bills were submitted for approval and payment.

Gary Batson

Gary Batson met with Commissioners to discuss the street name of certain property in the southern portion of the County and noted road maintenance issues in that same area. He questioned if there would be additional overlay on Forthview Road, and Commissioner Berry affirmed yes. Mr. Batson also requested that a meeting be set up with the prosecuting attorney, commissioners, and local fire districts to discuss procedures for establishment of a burn ban.

Adjournment

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry Ordered that the commission adjourn until 7/7/2025. Scott Harms 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