

# Benton County Commission

October 14, 2025

## **Convene**

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on October 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 10/6/2025. 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.

## **Treasurer and County Clerk Reports**

The Treasurer met with Commissioners to present an update on her office proceedings; the County Clerk submitted bills for approval and payment.

## **District Valuations**

County Clerk Susan Porterfield reported that the new district valuations for 2025 have been received from Assessor Jim Hansen for the Form 11A. This information has been completed and sent to the Missouri State Tax Commission as required by Statute, and taxing districts have been notified of their valuations.

## **Fuel Bid**

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to accept the bid from MFA Oil Company for diesel fuel for Road District #2 at a cost of \$2.61 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 \$2.985 per gallon; the County accepted the low bid price.

## **Benton County Economic Development**

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

## **Benton County Tourism**

Benton County Tourism Commission Director Lynette Stokes met with Commissioners to provide a report from the tourism commission. She indicated that social media continues to be a great avenue for promotion of our County.

## **Adjournment**

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 10/20/2025. 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

October 20, 2025

## Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on October 20, 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 10/14/2025. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

## David Malecki

David Malecki is present at today's meeting.

## Medical Insurance Benefits

County Clerk Susan Porterfield noted that she has been in contact with Mike Keith Insurance representative Jeanie Cunningham pertaining to medical insurance benefits for county employees; a rate increase of approximately 5% will be realized. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to proceed with the benefit package offered by Mike Keith Insurance for employee medical insurance benefits, District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

## Assessor

Assessor Jim Hansen met with Commissioners to discuss the aerial photography project to be completed in 2026 and requested that Capital Improvement funds be utilized for this expense.

## Treasurer and County Clerk Reports

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

## Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 10/27/2025. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

Signatures

  
Steve Daleske  
Presiding Commissioner

# Benton County Commission

**October 27, 2025**

## **Convene**

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on October 27, 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 10/20/2025. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

## **David Malecki**

David Malecki is present at today's meeting.

## **Jamie Lux**

Jamie Lux met with Commissioners to express concerns pertaining to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). This Federal aid will end by January 1, 2026. Mr. Lux asked for Commissioners to find a solution for County citizens that will be impacted when the event occurs.

## **Treasurer and County Clerk Reports**

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

## **Benton County Enterprise**

Benton County Enterprise staff reporter Ethan Holder met with Commissioners to ask for their comments pertaining to a possible solution for when the SNAP program is no longer available. Presiding Commissioner Daleske responded that the County will reach out to State legislators in the hope that a solution can be found.

## **Collector**

Collector David Brodersen met with Commissioners to discuss a Surplus Property Distribution request that he has received.

## **Adjournment**

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 11/3/2025. 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

November 03, 2025

## **Convene**

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on November 3, 2025 at the County Commission 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 10/27/2025. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

## **David Malecki**

David Malecki is present at today's meeting.

## **Concerned Citizens**

Commissioners discussed various concerns being received from citizens pertaining to Sheriff Eric Knox's recent Facebook post regarding terrorists and the credibility of the information provided within the post.

## **County Clerk**

Deputy County Clerk Samantha Corpener presented bills for approval and payment. Monthly abatements were also presented for approval and signature.

## **Allied Engineering Services, LLC**

Commission discussed a letter they had received from Allied Engineering Services, LLC regarding the construction of new poultry barns on McEntrye Avenue.

## **SecureNet, LLC**

Representatives from SecureNet, LLC met with Commissioners to explore potential areas of collaboration.

## **Liberty National Ins.**

Representative Helena Lee from Liberty National Insurance met with Commissioners to discuss their benefit packages offered to employees. The Commission asked her to follow up on November 17, 2025.

## **MO State Highway Patrol**

MO State Highway Patrol Trooper W.M. Henderson met with Commission and Prosecuting Attorney Rod Richardson to discuss ATV, ROHV, and UTV use on roads, as well as laws and regulations for said use.

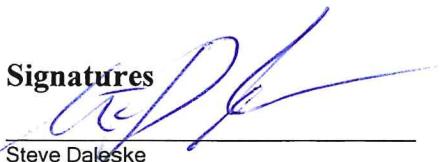
## **Treasurer**

County Treasurer Rebecca Minks presented her weekly financial reports.

## **Adjournment**

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry Ordered that the commission adjourn until 11/10/2025. Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

### **Signatures**

  
Steve Daleske  
Presiding Commissioner

# Benton County Commission

November 10, 2025

## Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on November 10, 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 11/3/2025. 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.

## Septagon

Septagon representative Nick Smith met with Commissioners to discuss the upcoming roof replacement projects for the Courthouse and E-911 Central Dispatch buildings.

## County Clerk Report

The County Clerk presented monthly budget reports for each department and noted that budget worksheets are available for distribution. Bills were submitted for approval and payment.

## Fuel Bids

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry made the motion to accept the bid from MFA Oil Company for diesel fuel for Road District #1 at a cost of \$2.76 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 \$3.015 per gallon and from Warsaw Oil Company at a cost of \$3.02 per gallon; the County accepted the low bid price.

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry made the motion to accept the bid for unleaded gasoline for Road District #1 from MFA Oil Company at a cost of \$2.265 per gallon; District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms 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 \$2.475 per gallon, and from Zollicker Oil Company at a cost of \$2.485 per gallon. The County accepted the low bid price.

## Benton County Economic Development

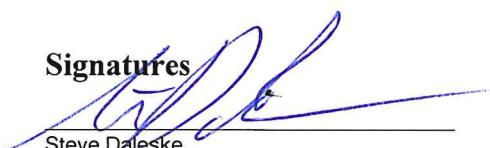
The scheduled meeting with Benton County Economic Development Director Jo Ann Lane was cancelled for today.

## Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 11/17/2025. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes).

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

**Signatures**



Steve Daleske  
Presiding Commissioner

# Benton County Commission

November 17, 2025

## Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:30 a.m. on November 17, 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 11/10/2025. 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 Reports

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

## 2026 Property and Liability Insurance

Mike Keith Insurance, Inc. representatives Christian DeLozier and Jake Farnsworth met with Commissioners to present the 2026 property and liability insurance information for the County. This includes the schedule of property and premium breakdown for each type of coverage. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to accept the quote for the county's annual property and liability insurance from Mike Keith Insurance, Inc., at a cost of \$411,030, including terrorism insurance coverage. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

## Executive Session

At 1:47 p.m., District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to go to 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 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 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 12/1/2025. 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

December 01, 2025

## Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on December 1, 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 11/17/2025. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry 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 approve prior executive session minutes dated 11/17/2025, 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.

## Bid Opening - Limb Saw Attachment

The bid opening was held for the limb saw attachment for Road District #1. One bid was received for this equipment, from Limb Buster, LLC, in the amount of \$14,760.00. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry made the motion to accept this bid, District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

## Fuel Bids

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to accept the bid from MFA Oil Company for diesel fuel for Road District #2 at a cost of \$2.98 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 \$3.145 per gallon; the County accepted the low bid price.

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry made the motion to accept the bid from MFA Oil Company for diesel fuel for Road District #1 at a cost of \$2.88 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 \$3.115 per gallon, and from Warsaw Oil Company at a cost of \$3.15 per gallon; the County accepted the low bid price.

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry made the motion to accept the bid from MFA Oil Company for unleaded gasoline for Road District #1 at a cost of \$2.255 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 Warsaw Oil Company at a cost of \$2.365 per gallon, and from Zollicker Oil Company at a cost of \$2.475 per gallon; the County accepted the low bid price.

## 2026 Budget Preparation

Preparation of the 2026 budget began today; Commissioners will meet with officials and department heads in the coming weeks.

## **County Clerk Report**

The County Clerk submitted bills for approval and payment.

## **Commissioner Absent**

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms is absent at 1 p.m.

## **Adjournment**

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry Ordered that the commission adjourn until 12/2/2025. Steve Daleske seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Absent), Steve Daleske (Yes) Meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

### **Signatures**



Steve Daleske  
Presiding Commissioner

# **Benton County Commission**

## **December 02, 2025**

### **Convene**

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on December 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 12/1/2025; District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

### **2026 Budget Preparation**

Commissioners began meetings with officials today, in preparation of the 2026 budget. Discussion was also given to employee salary and benefits for the upcoming year.

### **Coroner Budget**

County Clerk Susan Porterfield presented the coroner's 2026 budget requests on behalf of Coroner Weston Miller.

### **County Clerk Budgets**

County Clerk Susan Porterfield presented her 2026 budget requests; this included budgets for the elections division, HAVA Grant, and Election Services Funds.

### **Public Administrator Budget**

County Clerk Susan Porterfield presented the public administrator's 2026 budget requests on behalf of Public Administrator Lori Schroder.

### **Soil and Water Conservation Budget**

County Clerk Susan Porterfield presented the 2026 budget requests on behalf of the Benton County Soil and Water Conservation District.

### **Collector Budgets**

Collector David Brodersen met with Commissioners to present his 2026 budget requests; this included the budget for the Collector's Tax Maintenance Fund.

### **Adjournment**

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 12/8/2025. 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

**December 09, 2025**

## **Convene**

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on December 9, 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 12/8/2025. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

## **2026 Budget**

Commissioners continued preparation of the 2026 budget today.

## **Assessor Budget**

Assessor Jim Hansen met with Commissioners to present his 2026 budget requests.

## **Budget Amendment**

The County Clerk noted that a budget amendment for 2025 is necessary; upon discussion, Commissioners will meet on Tuesday, December 16, and the budget amendment will be held at 10 a.m.

## **Adjournment**

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 12/15/2025. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

## **Signatures**



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Steve Daleske  
Presiding Commissioner

# Benton County Commission

**December 08, 2025**

## **Convene**

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:30 a.m. on December 8, 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 12/1/2025. 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.

## **2026 Budget**

Commissioners continued meetings with officials and department heads today, in preparation of the 2026 budget.

## **Assessor**

Assessor Jim Hansen met with Commissioners to discuss flyover ariel photography opportunities for 2026.

## **Extension Council Budget**

The Missouri University Extension Council met with Commissioners to present their 2026 budget requests. Those in attendance were Holly Eierman, Josh Sater, Tom Hare, Tammy Culpepper, Leslie Dickerson, Allison Gunter, and Amie Breshears.

## **Benton County Economic Development**

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

## **E-911 Budget**

E-911 Director Jessica Mayfield met with Commissioners to present her 2026 budget requests.

## **Recorder Budgets**

Recorder Carla Brown met with Commissioners to present her 2026 budget requests; this included the budget for the Recorder's User Fund.

## **Treasurer and County Clerk Reports**

Treasurer Rebecca Minks presented her weekly financial report. The County Clerk presented monthly budget

reports for each department, as well as monthly tax abatements; bills were presented for approval and payment.

### **Treasurer Budget**

Treasurer Rebecca Minks met with Commissioners to present her 2026 budget requests.

### **Adjournment**

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 12/9/2025. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes).

**Signatures**

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Presiding Commissioner/Steve Daleske

# Benton County Commission

**December 09, 2025**

## **Convene**

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on December 9, 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 12/8/2025. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

## **2026 Budget**

Commissioners continued preparation of the 2026 budget today.

## **Assessor Budget**

Assessor Jim Hansen met with Commissioners to present his 2026 budget requests.

## **Budget Amendment**

The County Clerk noted that a budget amendment for 2025 is necessary; upon discussion, Commissioners will meet on Tuesday, December 16, and the budget amendment will be held at 10 a.m.

## **Adjournment**

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 12/15/2025. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

## **Signatures**



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Steve Daleske  
Presiding Commissioner

# Benton County Commission

December 15, 2025

## **Convene**

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on December 15, 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 12/9/2025. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

## **David Malecki**

David Malecki is present at today's meeting.

## **2026 Budget Preparation**

Commissioners continued preparation of the 2026 budget today.

## **Circuit Clerk Budget**

Circuit Clerk Shanda Schultz met with Commissioners to present her 2026 budget requests. The budgets for the Associate Circuit Judge and Juvenile Division were also included.

## **Prosecuting Attorney Budget**

Prosecuting Attorney Rod Richardson met with Commissioners to present his 2026 budget requests. This included the budgets for Prosecuting Attorney Training and Administrative Handling Cost funds.

## **Rick Jordan**

Rick Jordan met with Commissioners to express concerns pertaining to County sewer and septic guidelines, particularly the effect on platted subdivisions.

## **McClure Engineering/Gray Avenue Bridge**

McClure Engineering representative Aaron McVicker met with Commissioners to discuss the Gray Avenue Bridge project. He stated that the Notice to Proceed has been initiated, and construction will begin on December 16, 2025; projected completion date is March 16, 2026.

## **County Clerk Report**

The County Clerk submitted bills for approval and payment.

## **Assessor/Aerial Photography Services**

Assessor Jim Hansen met with Commissioners to present the contract for aerial photography services from

Pictometry International Corp, d/b/a Eagleview. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to enter into an agreement with this company for aerial photography services, District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes). This project will be completed in 2026.

### **Bid Opening - Roof Replacement Projects**

The bid opening was held for the roof replacement of the Courthouse and the E-911 Dispatch Center. Those present with Commissioners and the Clerk were Septagon representative Nick Smith and G & R Construction representative Bret Palliser. Bids were received from G & R Construction, Missouri Builders Service, Watkins Roofing, and Weathercraft, Inc. Septagon will review the bids that were received, and a decision will be reached at a later date.

### **Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer presented her weekly financial report.

### **Adjournment**

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry Ordered that the commission adjourn until 12/16/2025. Steve Daleske seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

**Signatures**

  
Steve Daleske  
Presiding Commissioner

# Benton County Commission

December 16, 2025

## Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on December 16, 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 12/15/2025. 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.

## 2026 Budget Preparation

Commissioners continued preparation of the 2026 budget today.

## Benton County Tourism

Benton County Tourism Director Lynette Stokes met with Commissioners to present her annual report of tourism efforts within the County; she also presented her 2026 budget request.

## Road District Budgets

Associate Commissioners Larry Berry and Scott Harms discussed their 2026 budget requests today.

## Budget Amendment

County Clerk Susan Porterfield presented information for the budget amendment; this amendment was necessary due to unexpected revenues and expenses. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to accept 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).

## Adjournment

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 12/22/2025. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

## Signatures

  
Steve Daleske  
Presiding Commissioner

# Benton County Commission

December 22, 2025

## Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 A.M. on December 22, 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 12/16/25. 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.

## Motion/Vote - Roof Replacement

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made a motion to accept the bid from G&R Construction Inc. for roof replacement of the Courthouse and the Central Dispatch building for a combined price of \$66,432.00. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Other bids were received from Missouri Builders Service, Inc., at a combined price of \$82,517.00; from Watkins Roofing Inc., at a combined price of \$93,798.00; and from Weathercraft Inc., at a combined price of \$77,250.00.

## 2026 Budget Preparation

Commissioners continued preparation of the 2026 budget today.

## Sheriff's Budget

Sheriff Eric Knox met with Commissioners to present his 2026 budget requests; also present were Captain Kelly Lowe and Captain Kim Hausmann. Budgets were also presented for Law Enforcement, Sheriff Civil, D.A.R.E., Deputy Sheriff Supplemental Salary, Sheriff Revolving, Inmate Security, and Law Enforcement Sales Tax funds.

## Motion/Vote - Fuel Bid

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry made a motion to accept the bid from Warsaw Oil Company for unleaded gasoline for Road District #1 at a cost of \$2.135 per gallon. Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Other bids were received from MFA Oil Company at a cost of \$2.105 per gallon, and from Zollicker Oil Company at a cost of \$2.20 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 from Zollicker Oil Company for diesel fuel for Road District #1 at a cost of \$2.66 per gallon. Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Other bids were received from MFA Oil Company at a cost of \$2.73 per gallon, and from Warsaw Oil Company at a cost of \$2.77 per gallon. The County accepted

the low bid price.

### **County Clerk Report**

The County Clerk submitted bills for approval and payment.

### **Adjournment**

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 12/29/2025. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 2:50 P.M.

### **Signatures**



Presiding Commissioner/Steve Daleske

# Benton County Commission

**December 29, 2025**

## **Convene**

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on December 29, 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 12/22/25. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

## **Senate Bill 3**

Commissioners discussed new legislation in Senate Bill 3, which authorizes a property tax credit to provide property tax relief on citizens' primary residence. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to adopt an Order and Ordinance to place this issue on the April 7, 2026 ballot in 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).

## **Budget Preparation**

Commissioners continued discussion of the 2026 budget today, reviewing revenues and expenses for each department.

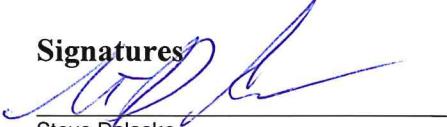
## **Treasurer and County Clerk Reports**

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

## **Adjournment**

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 12/30/2025. 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

**December 30, 2025**

## **Convene**

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 on December 30, 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 12/29/2025. 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.

## **Budget Amendment**

County Clerk Susan Porterfield submitted information for the final budget amendment of 2025; this amendment was necessary due to unforeseen revenues and expenses. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to approve the budget amendment as presented, District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

## **Budget Preparation**

Commissioners continued discuss of the 2026 budget, reviewing projected revenues and expenses.

## **Adjournment**

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms Ordered that the commission adjourn until 1/5/2026. Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

## **Signatures**



Steve Daleske  
Presiding Commissioner