

The Benton County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with Supervisors Seeman and Bierschenk present, Primmer called in. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. at the conference room at the Benton County Service Center. Members of the public were provided the zoom access capability to join in during open session and livestream at <https://www.youtube.com/bentoncountyiowa>. *Unless otherwise noted, all actions were approved unanimously. Summarized Resolutions will be available in the Auditor's office and at: www.bentoncountyiowa.gov (<https://www.youtube.com/bentoncountyiowa>)*

Primmer moved/ Bierschenk seconded: To approve minutes from December 7, 2021. Motion carried.

Bierschenk moved/Primmer seconded: To approve Class C Liquor license for Kimm's Sinclair. Motion carried.

Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded: To acknowledge Chris Rider's retirement from the Sheriff's office effective December 3, 2021. Motion carried.

Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded: To accept Jennifer Zahradnik's resignation from the compensation board. Motion carried.

Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded: To appoint Karen Mouchka to the compensation Board as the Supervisor's representation. Motion carried.

Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded: To appoint Jon Kaestner to the landfill commission for at large position. Motion carried.

Ben Bonar presented the 2021 Weed Commissioner's Report and also discussed some 2022 Living Roadway Trust Fund (LRTF) Grant Opportunities.

Bierschenk moved/Primmer seconded: To approve and authorize chairman to sign on the 2021 Weed Commissioner's Report to be filed with the state. Motion carried.

James Hicks, came to discuss developing land off 32nd Avenue between Shellsburg and Urbana which is currently platted as Hidden Meadows Sub-Division. Hicks would like to buy 17 acres of the land and develop into eight lots. Land Use Administrator Marc Greenlee was present, he advised Hicks, he would be looking at a land use change first. He felt it was improper for the board to get too involved until there was an actual application and a preliminary and final plat to approve. No action was taken.

Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded: To approve utility permit for Kinzenbaw Earthmoving & Tim Miller in Leroy Township. Motion carried.

Bierschenk moved/Primmer seconded: To approve Resolution #21-107, Wage and classification change for Taylor Pflughaupt. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #21-107

WHEREAS: Benton County has an employee that has been employed by Benton County for six months, and

WHEREAS: Upon the completion of the probationary period the base wage is to be increased from the starting wage

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Benton County Board of Supervisors that the hourly base wage of Taylor Pflughaupt be set at \$22.69 effective December 14, 2021. This position carries a Labor Grade VB classification.

Signed this 14th day of December, 2021.

Tracy Seeman

Gary Bierschenk

Rick Primmer

ATTEST:

Hayley Rippel, Benton County Auditor

Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded: To approve Resolution #21-108, Hiring new equipment operator in secondary roads. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #21-108

WHEREAS: Benton County Secondary Roads Department has a Maintainer Operator to fill at the Vinton Shed and

WHEREAS: Applications were accepted for the position and

WHEREAS: These applications have been narrowed to one.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED By the Benton County Board of Supervisors that Dennis Shea be hired to fill the position as Maintainer Operator at a starting wage of \$22.03 per hour starting December 14, 2021. This is an Equipment Operator II classification with a Labor Grade IVA.

Signed this 14th day of December, 2021.

Tracy Seeman

Gary Bierschenk

Rick Primmer

ATTEST:

Hayley Rippel, Benton County Auditor

Bierschenk moved/Primmer seconded: To approve Resolution #21-109, Hiring new Equipment Operator for secondary roads. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #21-109

WHEREAS: Benton County Secondary Road Department has an opening to fill for an Equipment Operator at the Main Shop and

WHEREAS: Applications were accepted for this position and

WHEREAS: These applications have been reviewed and evaluated.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY The Benton County Board of Supervisors that Shane Clark be hired to fill one position of Equipment Operator at a starting wage of \$22.15 per hour starting December 27, 2021. This is an Equipment Operator II classification with a Labor Grade IVA.

Signed this 14th day of December, 2021.

Tracy Seeman

Gary Bierschenk

Rick Primmer

ATTEST:

Hayley Rippel, Benton County Auditor

Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded: To set public hearing dates for repealing Ordinance #64 and adopting new Ordinance #76, first reading on January 3rd, 9:30 a.m., second reading on January 4, 2022 at 9:30 and 3rd and final reading on January 5, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. Motion carried.

Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded: To adjourn. Motion carried.

Tracy Seeman, Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Hayley Rippel, Benton County Auditor

