

August 9, 2022

The Benton County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with Supervisors Seeman, Primmer and Bierschenk present. 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](http://www.bentoncountyiowa.gov) ( <https://www.youtube.com/bentoncountyiowa>)

**Bierschenk moved/Primmer seconded:** To approve the minutes of Tuesday, August 2, 2022. Motion carried.  
**Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded:** To approve payroll checks numbered 142405 through 142418, ACH Deposits 50017 through 50170, vendor checks 243362 through 243368 and claims numbered 2432369 through 243490. Motion carried.  
**Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded:** To approve claim using ARPA funds for Conservation fences to John Deere Financial (Theisen's) for \$439.57. Motion carried.  
**Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded:** To approve 48 hours of vacation carryover for Dean Vrba to be used by September 30, 2022. Motion carried.  
**Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded:** To approve Resolution # 22-66, Approval and Disapproval of Homestead, Military and Disabled Veteran's Tax Credits for the 2022 Assessments. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION #22-66**

**APPROVAL AND DISAPPROVAL OF HOMESTEAD TAX CREDITS, MILITARY TAX CREDITS, AND DISABLED VETERAN'S HOMESTEAD TAX CREDITS FOR 2022 ASSESSMENT**

WHEREAS, Iowa law provides that property owners may apply for certain credits against their property tax; and

WHEREAS, new applications for various credits have been submitted to the assessor, in accordance with law, for his approval or disapproval; and

WHEREAS, the assessor has made recommendations and provided said applications to the auditor; and

WHEREAS, the auditor has submitted said applications to the board of supervisors for their consideration; and

WHEREAS, the board of supervisors is required to allow or disallow the credit,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the applications for Homestead Credit, Military Credit, and/or Disabled Veteran's Homestead Credit that were filed with the assessor on or before July 1, 2022, for the 2022 assessment year are allowed based on the assessor's recommendation. The assessor is to maintain a permanent file of the applications in accordance with law.

Signed this 8<sup>th</sup> of August, 2022.

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Tracy Seeman, Chairman

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Rick Primmer

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Gary Bierschenk

ATTEST:

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Hayley Rippel, Benton County Auditor

**Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded:** To approve Resolution #22-67, Approval of Business Property Tax Credits for the 2021 Assessment Year. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION #22-67  
APPROVAL OF BUSINESS PROPERTY TAX CREDITS FOR THE 2021 ASSESSMENT**

WHEREAS, Iowa enacted SF295 establishing a business property tax credit; and

WHEREAS, the legislation requires property owners to apply for the credit; and

WHEREAS, the board of supervisors is required to allow or disallow the credit based on the requirements of the legislation; and

WHEREAS, the sign-up period has past and the assessor has provided a list of those applying for said credit; and

WHEREAS, the assessor has recommended allowance or disallowance based on the classification and/or use of the property,

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the thirteen (13) new applications for the 2021 assessment year Business Property Tax Credit filed with the assessor on or before July 1, 2022 are allowed.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the sixty-eight (68) applications for the 2021 assessment year Business Property Tax Credit that were re-filed with the assessor on or before July 1, 2022, due to changes in ownership or other matters, are allowed.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the removal of three (3) applications due to change in ownership or other matters is hereby approved.

Signed this 9th day of August, 2022.

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Tracy Seeman, Chairman

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Gary Bierschenk

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Rick Primmer

ATTEST:

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Hayley Rippel, Benton County Auditor

**Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded:** To approve Resolution #22-68, Approving 28E Agreement for Mental Health/Disability Services of the East Central Region (MHDS-ECR). Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #22-68

WHEREAS, Benton County is a member of the Mental Health/Disability Services of the East Central Region (ECR);

WHEREAS, Benton County approved the 28E Agreement for Mental Health/Disability Services of the East Central Region pursuant to Resolution No. 13-70, passed on September 30, 2013;

WHEREAS, the Governing Board has now recommended that the language of the 28E Agreement follow Iowa Code Section 331.390;

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors believes that the recommended updates are in the County's best interests;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby resolved by the Board of Supervisors that Benton County approves the changes of the 28E Agreement for Mental Health/Disability Services of the East Central Region recommended by the Governing Board on July 28, 2022.

Signed this 9th day of August, 2022.

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Tracy Seeman, Chairman

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Gary Bierschenk

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Rick Primmer

ATTEST:

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Hayley Rippel, Benton County Auditor

**Bierschenk moved/Primmer seconded:** To approve and authorize signature on the provider contract and rates for the MHDS-ECR and Access Hub sustainability and coordination for FY 23. Motion carried.  
Benton County Treasurer and Chris Ward, Vinton City Coordinator met with the board regarding a tax sale certificate held on parcel #240-92925. The county has held title on the certificate since 2012. The house burnt down and property owners walked away. The back taxes and penalties are estimated at \$90,000. The City is asking that the county sign over the certificate, and they would like to get the process moving so that this could be a place someone could possibly build on and get back into taxation.

**Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded:** To allow the Treasurer to sign over the tax sale certificate on Parcel 240-92925 to the City of Vinton. Motion carried.

**Bierschenk moved/Seeman seconded:** To approve and sign separation distance waiver between 51<sup>st</sup> St. and 53<sup>rd</sup> St. requested by Todd Wiley pursuant to Iowa Code §459.102. Ternus Family Farms, LLC, titleholder to sell property to Pamela B. Primmer who plans to construct a swine confinement building. Voting aye were Bierschenk and Seeman. Primmer abstained due to conflict of interest. Motion carried.

Under old business, county resident Julene Jensen brought up the previous meeting with Preston Moore of the Humane Society. She questioned how lifting the vicious animal ban would save tax dollars. She moved to Benton County so that she wouldn't have to

deal with pit bulls. She asked why the ban was originally put into effect and voiced her concerns and asked that the ban not be lifted. Supervisors Seeman and Bierschenk explained how there had been no action taken, the ordinance was still in effect and also advised how the county ordinance is for those in the rural area, and each city has their own ordinances in place. Seeman gave Jensen Moore's contact information to Jensen. No action was taken.  
**Bierschenk moved/Primmer seconded:** To adjourn. Motion carried.

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Tracy Seeman, Chairman

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Hayley Rippel, Benton County Auditor