

November 1, 2022

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

Bierschenk moved/Primmer seconded: To approve the minutes from Tuesday, October 25, 2022. Motion carried.
Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded: To act on the holiday to follow the state and allow Friday December 23, 2022 as an additional paid holiday. Motion carried.
Bierschenk moved/Primmer seconded: To approve a change order for RACOM in the amount of 118,845.26 for the Rodgers Park Tower. Motion carried.
The Security Committee was discussed. There is a meeting this week and Auditor Rippel mentioned a Security officer should be appointed and Dick Stallman would like to participate. The County Attorney suggested Human Resources and the Assessor also be added. He asked that the security committee discuss their recommendations and come back to the board. No action was taken.
Seeman moved/Bierschenk seconded: To approve Resolution #22-101, Hiring Assistant Roadside Manager Hunter Jensen. Voting aye were Seeman and Bierschenk. Primmer abstained. Motion carried.
RESOLUTION #22-101

APPROVING HIRE WEED COMMISSION

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Weed Commission has a vacancy for the position of a full time Assistant Roadside Manager, and;

WHEREAS Hunter Jensen has been selected to fill this vacancy;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Benton County Board of Supervisors that Hunter Jensen be hired as a full-time Assistant Roadside Manager in the Weed Commission department, effective October 31, 2022 with an annual salary of \$49,500.

This wage is set to increase to \$51,500 upon successful completion of all items set forth in the attached contract.

Date this 1st day of November, 2022.

Tracy Seeman, Chairman

Gary Bierschenk

Rick Primmer

ATTEST:

Hayley Rippel, Benton County Auditor

Discussion regarding hiring an additional full-time employee in the Weed department was had. Kirsten Nelson and George Haefner explained how hard it is to get seasonals and they could move money around in the current budget to make this work. The Board advised them to go forward with advertisement.

Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded: To approve Resolution #22-102, Wage Classification Change for Jamie Kane in Secondary Roads. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #22-102

WHEREAS: Benton County Secondary Roads Department has an employee that has been employed by Benton County for a year, and

WHEREAS: Upon the completion of the year period the base wage will be increased from the intermediate wage (per bargaining unit agreement)

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED By the Benton County Board of Supervisors that the hourly wage for Jamie Kane be set at \$25.84 per hour effective October 22, 2022. This position (equipment operator) carries a Labor Grade classification IVC.

Signed this 1st day of November, 2022.

Tracy Seeman, Chairman

Gary Bierschenk

Rick Primmer

ATTEST:

Hayley Rippel, Benton County Auditor

Bierschenk moved/Primmer seconded: To approve Resolution #22-103, Farm to Market Review. Motion carried.

BENTON COUNTY RESOLUTION # 22-103

FARM TO MARKET REVIEW BOARD APPLICATION RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, a county may apply for modifications to its farm to market system to add or subtract mileage from its system, to accept or delete highways gained or lost through jurisdictional transfers, or to change the classification of roads within its system, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Benton County has consulted with its County Engineer and desires to modify its farm to market road system to provide continuity of intra-county and inter-county routes, to meet the needs of existing or potential traffic, to better meet land use needs, or to provide a more suitable location for a farm to market route, and

WHEREAS, application for modifications to any county's farm to market system must be made to the Farm to Market Review Board per the requirements of Code of Iowa Section 306.6,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF BENTON COUNTY that this county is formally requesting that the Farm to Market Review Board approve the following modifications to its farm to market system:

Road segments proposed for deletion from the farm to market system: None

Total Mileage deleted from the Farm to Market System: **0.00** miles

Road segments proposed for deletion from the farm to market extension system:

Smith St beginning at the north RR right-of-way then north 0.07 miles to intersection of Sells St then northeast 0.04 miles to intersection of Pearl St

Total Mileage deleted from the Farm to Market Extension System: **0.11** miles

Road segments proposed for addition to the farm to market system: None

Total Mileage added to the Farm to Market System: **0.00** miles

Road segments proposed for addition to the farm to market extension system:

Proposed new street segment (Smith St) from north RR right-of-way thence northeast 0.08 miles to the intersection of Pearl St then north 0.02 miles to intersection of Sells St.

Total Mileage added to the Farm to Market Extension System: **0.10** miles

The Board of Supervisors of Benton County, in lawful session this 1st day of November, 2022 hereby adopts this farm to market modification resolution.

Tracy Seeman, Chairman

Gary Bierschenk

Rick Primmer

ATTEST:

Hayley Rippel, Benton County Auditor

The Engineer also discussed the traffic paint contractor will start painting on various county routes. Parizek also updated the Board on some of the Detours along HWY 30 and also the HWY 150 roundabout near Urbana.

Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded: To enter into closed session at 9:35 a.m. pursuant to Iowa Code 21.5(1)c. Motion carried.

Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded: To exit closed session at 9:42 a.m. Motion carried.

Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded: To enter into closed session at 9:43 a.m. pursuant to Iowa Code 21.5(1)c. Motion carried.

Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded: To exit closed session at 10:30 a.m. Motion carried.

Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded: To approve action that was discussed in closed session. Motion carried.

Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded: To not participate with Iowa State Association of Counties (ISAC) on the soil compaction project. Motion carried.

There was committee reports from all three supervisors from various meetings they attended.

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

Tracy Seeman, Chairman

ATTEST: _____

Hayley Rippel, Benton County Auditor