

March 14, 2023

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.bentoncountya.gov (<https://www.youtube.com/bentoncountyiowa>)*

Bierschenk moved/Primmer seconded: To approve minutes of March 7, 2023 with a correction. Motion carried.

Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded: To acknowledge Post Election Audit. Motion carried.

Deputy Auditor, Gina Edler, read Benton Community School Public Measure BE in Benton County as failed with 1,350 no votes and 750 yes votes, Benton Community School Public Measure BF in Benton County as failed with 1,373 no votes and 745 yes votes, Hawkeye Community College Public Measure BK in Benton County as failed with 5 no votes and 1 yes vote, and College Community School Public Measure NC as passed with 37 yes votes and 10 no votes.

Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded: To approve the first-tier canvass of the March 7, 2023 Special School Election. Motion carried.

Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded: To approve fireworks permit for Chuck Yedlik for April 8, 2023, May 27 & 28, 2023 and October 28, 2023. Motion carried.

Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded: To approve hiring of Paige Rambo as Part-time Sheriff Dispatcher, per union contract and with an unknown start date. Motion carried.

Supervisor Seeman reported on his Conservation meeting. The Conservation department is all fired up about the new land purchase and the upcoming camping season, they are still looking for a campsite host and a part time person to mow lawns. The time of 9:20 a.m. having arrived, and this being the time and date for a land use hearing for Sheyenne and Haley McNulty in part of NE ¼ NW ¼ and part of the NW ¼ of NE ¼ of 24-83-9. McNulty's were both present, no media was present. Marc Greenlee presented the technical information with the Benton County Agricultural Land Use Preservation Ordinance. McNulty's would like to propose a change of the 1.657 acres of 2.68 acres and convert existing pole building into an auto body shop. No land is currently in production or coming out of production. There is an existing driveway that meets the requirements. The remaining acres has a home that McNulty's are planning on possibly renting out in the future. This site will be able to hook up to Poweshiek Water. New septic will have to be installed for both the auto body shop and the existing home as the home is a non-conforming septic system currently. Notice was sent to the adjacent owners and published in the newspapers. One neighbor had a concern of the place looking like a junk yard but Sheyenne contacted the neighbor and assured them it would not. After hearing no further comments, the public hearing was closed.

Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded: To approve the land use change Sheyenne and Haley McNulty in part of NE ¼ NW ¼ and part of the NW ¼ of NE ¼ of 24-83-9. Motion carried.

Bierschenk moved/Primmer seconded: To approve farm exemption application for Darryl and Tammy Vogt in SE ½ of the SE ¼ Sec 13-82-11.

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

Tracy Seeman, Chairman

ATTEST: _____

Gina Edler, Benton County Deputy Auditor