

August 1, 2023

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 are invited to join in during open session or watch the 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: (<https://www.youtube.com/bentoncountyiowa>)*

Bierschenk moved/Primmer seconded: To approve the minutes of July 25, 2023 and July 26, 2023. Motion carried.
Bierschenk moved/Seeman seconded: To approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Iowa Department of Revenue and Benton County Social Services regarding the State Setoff Program. Motion carried.
Bierschenk moved/Primmer seconded: To approve Class C Retail Alcohol License for Topsy Travelers for August 11-15, 2023. Motion carried.
Bierschenk moved/Primmer seconded: To approve Class C Retail Alcohol License for Topsy Travelers for August 25-29, 2023. Motion carried.

Committee Reports were had including the Emergency Management and tower update from Supervisor Seeman. Supervisor Bierschenk reported on his Mental Health Regional meeting and Primmer's recent Juvenile Detention. The time of 9:15 a.m. having arrived, and this being the time and date for a public hearing on the second consideration of proposed ordinance #75, floodplain management. The Ordinance is a revision of Benton County's existing floodplain management ordinance #75, regulating flood hazard areas in the unincorporated areas of Benton County. Matt Even presented the proposed summary and explained the input received for the appeal process and how at the county level we can decide if charges would be an infraction vs misdemeanor. The first review of this is always No public was present to voice their opinion, so the public hearing was closed.
Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded: To approve second and final consideration for Ordinance #79. Motion carried.
Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded: To approve Resolution #23-55, Repealing Ordinance #75 and adopting the revised Floodplain Ordinance #79. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #23-55
REPEALING ORDINANCE #75, ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE #79
FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT

WHEREAS: On October 22, 2019, the Benton County Board of Supervisors adopted Ordinance #75, Floodplain Management Ordinance;

WHEREAS, the Benton County Board of Supervisors desires to adopt Ordinance #79, a revision of Floodplain Management Ordinance;

WHEREAS: The Board of Supervisors considered repealing Ordinance #75 in its entirety on this date; and

WHEREAS; The Board of Supervisors would like to Adopt Ordinance #79, repealing Ordinance #75; and

WHEREAS; Adoption of Ordinance #79 by the Board of Supervisors is necessary to adopt the new Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) and the Benton County Flood Insurance Study (FIS) that become effective on September 21, 2023; and

WHEREAS, two readings of Ordinance #79 were held on July 25, 2023 and August 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, publication of the hearings was made according to Iowa Code; and

WHEREAS, a copy of said Ordinance #79 has been available to the public in the Benton County Auditor's office;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Benton County Board of Supervisors that BENTON COUNTY FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE #79 be fully adopted. The Benton County Auditor is directed to publish a summary of Ordinance #79 in the official newspapers of Benton County.

ADOPTED AND PASSED this 1st day of August, 2023.

Tracy Seeman, Chairman

Rick Primmer

Gary Bierschenk

ATTEST:

Hayley Rippel, Benton County Auditor

Bierschenk moved/Primmer seconded: To approve Resolution #23-56, Hiring Roadside Technician in Weed Department. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #23-56

APPROVING HIRE ROADSIDE TECHNICIAN IN WEED DEPARTMENT

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Weed Department has a vacancy for the position of a Roadside Technician, and;

WHEREAS: Applications were accepted for the position and

WHEREAS: These applications have been narrowed to one.

WHEREAS Chad Galli has been selected to fill this vacancy;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Benton County Board of Supervisors that Chad Galli be hired as a full-time Roadside Technician in the Weed Commission department, effective August 16, 2023 at an hourly rate of \$24. Once he obtains some needed certifications, his wage can go up by 50 cents increments, \$24.50 and then \$25.

Date this 1st day of August, 2023.

Tracy Seeman, Chairman

Rick Primmer

Gary Bierschenk

ATTEST:

Hayley Rippel, Benton County Auditor

Bierschenk moved/Primmer seconded: To approve Resolution #23-57, Hiring Mechanic at Secondary Roads. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #23-57

WHEREAS: Benton County Secondary Road Department has a position to fill for Mechanic in Shop and

WHEREAS: Applications have been received for the position and

WHEREAS: This applicant is recommended for this position.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED BY The Benton County Board of Supervisors that Cody Jones be hired to fill a position of Mechanic at a starting wage of \$26.05 per hour starting August 2, 2023. This is an Equipment Operator III classification with a Labor Grade VA.

Signed this 1st day of August, 2023.

Tracy Seeman, Chairman

Rick Primmer

Gary Bierschenk

ATTEST:

Hayley Rippel, Benton County Auditor

Sue Wilber, Human Resource Director reported to the Board how she was getting things set up for an upcoming in-person all employee training on Tuesday, September 12, 2023. She is excited to get this back into place after COVID, and getting the employees their required trainings along with going over necessary insurance paperwork. Wilber will also encourage employees to participate in the Wellness program and would like to possibly create a policy that explains the need to fund food expenses for such meetings as this and how that is a public purpose. Wilber and Auditor Rippel have been discussing the topic and will keep the Board updated. There will be a payroll stuffer so that employees can plan and save that date.

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

Tracy Seeman, Chairman

ATTEST: _____

Hayley Rippel, Benton County Auditor