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

## Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded: To approve the minutes of August 22, 2023. Motion carried. Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded: To approve Resolution #23-61, Abatement of Taxes. Motion carried. RESOLUTION #23-61

WHEREAS, the City of Vinton has acquired property for public purposes and were given the appropriate notice of the taxes due; and

WHEREAS, said entity failed to pay said tax; and

WHEREAS, Iowa Code 445.63 provides that the board of supervisors shall abate the tax if the governing body fails to immediately pay the tax,

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED that the 2023 tax assessed against parcels listed below as follows are hereby abated in the amounts listed pursuant to Iowa Code 445.63: the treasurer is directed to strike the amount listed due from the county system.

Parcel #	Taxes Due:
870-39560	\$594.00
240-52650	\$844.00
240-92925	\$250.00

Dated this 29th day of August, 2023

Tracy Seeman, Chairman

**Rick Primmer** 

ATTEST:

Gary Bierschenk

Hayley Rippel, Benton County Auditor

Bierschenk moved/Primmer seconded: To approve Class C Retail Alcohol License for Blairstown Sauerkraut Days Beer Tent. Motion carried.

The Sheriff's agenda items have been tabled for a later date.

Committee Reports were given along with a member of the public reporting about witnessing dumping in the County's right of way and inquiring if it was legal. Auditor Rippel cited Ordinance #21- It reads, "Littering Prohibited. 1. It shall be unlawful for any person to scatter, place, or burn any refuse, or hazardous and/or industrial wastes upon or along any public right-of-ways, stream, body of water, or upon any other public place within Benton County unless permitted by Law." The resident was going to follow up with the sheriff's office for his complaint.

The Engineer received bids for a ½ ton 4WD pickup truck as follows:

Thys Automotive, Belle Plaine-2023 Ram 1500 Bighorn -\$48,561

Thys Automotive, Belle Plaine-2024 Ram 1500 Bighorn-\$49,710

Thys Automotive, Blairstown-2024 Chevrolet 1500 - \$50,835.10

Ervin Motors, Vinton-2024 GMS Sierra 1500-\$50,900

**Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded:** To approve the low bid with Thys Automotive, Belle Plaine for a 2023 Ram 1500 Bighorn for \$48,561. Motion carried.

Bids were also received for a 1 ton cab/chassis pick up as follows:

Ervin Motors, Vinton-2024 GMC Sierra 3500 Crew Cab-\$47,440

Thys Automotive, Blairstown-2024 Chevrolet Silverado 3500 HD -\$49,991

Thys Automotive, Belle Plaine-2024 Ram 3500-\$50,363

Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded: To approve the low bid from Ervin Motors, Vinton for the 2024 GMC Sierra 3500 Crew Cab for \$47,440. Motion carried.

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

Tracy Seeman, Chairman

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Hayley Rippel, Benton County Auditor