

October 24, 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 1:00 p.m. at the Benton County Service Center. Members of the public are invited to join in during open session. *Unless otherwise noted, all actions were approved unanimously. Summarized Resolutions will be available in the Auditor's office and at: [www.bentoncountya.gov](http://www.bentoncountya.gov)*

**Bierschenk moved/Primmer seconded:** To approve Resolution #23-78, Hiring Equipment Operator for Secondary Roads. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #23-78

WHEREAS: Benton County Secondary Road Department has an opening to fill for an Equipment Operator for Secondary Roads; and

WHEREAS: Applications were accepted for this position and

WHEREAS: These applications have been reviewed and evaluated.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY The Benton County Board of Supervisors that Benjamin Wood be hired to fill one position of Equipment Operator at a starting wage of \$26.35 per hour starting November 13, 2023. This is an Equipment Operator II classification with a Labor Grade IVA.

Signed this 24<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2023.

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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 enter into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code 21.5(1)c: To discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in that litigation. Motion carried at 1:07: p.m.

**Primmer move/Bierschenk seconded:** To Exit closed session at 1:38 p.m.. Motion carried.

Rick Primmer asked Sue Wilber, Benton County HR Director to read a statement as follows:

"We wish to clarify previous actions related to the Board of Health to clarify that the primary reason for the action was to reverse the 130% increase in the budget implemented by the Benton County Board of Health and accordingly, we would ask the county attorney to prepare and release a statement."

**Primmer moved/Bierschenk seconded:** To authorize the County Attorney to prepare a public statement that includes the verbiage just read. Motion carried.

**Primer moved/Bierschenk seconded:** To adjourn. Motion carried.

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Tracy Seeman, Chairman

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

Hayley Rippel, Benton County Auditor