

April 28, 2026

The Benton County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with Supervisors Seeman, Tippet and Volz present. Chairman Seeman called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. 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>. *Full Resolutions will be available in the Auditor's office and at: www.bentoncountya.gov*

Volz moved/Tippett seconded: To approve the agenda. Tippett, Seeman and Volz voting aye. Motion carried.

Volz moved/Tippett seconded: To approve the minutes of Tuesday, April 21, 2026. All members voting aye. Motion carried.

Tippett moved/Volz seconded: To approve the following EMS Trust Fund claims numbered 257235 through 257238 in the total amount of \$56,061.51 to the following:

Urbana 1st Responders- \$1,312.02

Walford 1st Responders-\$7,488.63

Belle Plaine Ambulance-\$42,415.28

Garrison 1st Responders- \$4,845.58

Seeman and Volz both voting aye. Motion carried.

Tippett Moved/Volz seconded: To set public hearing date of Tuesday, May 19, 2026 at 9:15 a.m. for Theodore and Lori Burr within the SE ¼ of the NW ¼ and the SW ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 28-82-12.

Tippett, Seeman and Volz voting aye. Motion carried.

Tippett moved/Volz seconded: To approve suspended tax list on parcel #s 170-13200, 170-13240, 120-02700, 870-39800, 240-22500, 240-30852, 030-44025 and authorize Chairman to sign letter to Department of Health and Human Services. Tippett, Seeman and Volz voting aye. Motion carried.

Volz moved//Tippett seconded: To approve Resolution #26-34, Abatement of Taxes. Tippett, Volz and Seeman voting aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #26-34

WHEREAS, The County of Benton has reported that a structure on a Building on Leased Land parcel has been removed and owner(s) are deceased; and

WHEREAS, Iowa Code 445.16(3) provides that the board of supervisors can compromise by written agreement or abate by resolution, the tax, interest, fees or costs;

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED that the taxes assessed against parcels listed below has not been paid in many years, have zero value and are inactive and hereby abated in the amounts listed pursuant to Iowa Code 445.16(3): the treasurer is directed to strike the amount listed due from the county system.

Parcel #	Taxes plus interest and costs Due:
27010040	\$2,721.00
27007701	\$ 416.00

Dated 28th day of April 2026

Tracy Seeman, Chairman

Ronald Tippett

Bruce Volz

ATTEST:

Hayley Rippel, Benton County Auditor

Tippett moved/Volz seconded: To approve Resolution #26-35, 2026 Noxious Weeds. Tippett, Seeman and Volz voting aye. Motion carried.

**Resolution #26-35
DESTRUCTION OF NOXIOUS WEEDS**

WHEREAS, The Benton County Weed Commissioner announces that the deadline for destruction of Noxious weeds is **June 1st, 2026**, so as to prevent the production of seed by all varieties of listed Noxious weeds. This includes weeds on farmlands, Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) lands, properties within city limits, and all lands within the limits of the County. Those persons not controlling their weeds in compliance with Iowa's Weed Law, Code of Iowa Chapter 317 Noxious Weeds, and Iowa Dept. of Agriculture & Land Stewardship Administrative Rules Chapter 58 Noxious Weeds will be notified to use appropriate methods to eradicate or control the weed problem. Failure to do so can incur penalties including, but not limited to, daily fines for non-compliance, and the Weed Commissioner or Deputies entering upon the land to control the weed problem, with all costs, including fines and administrative costs, levied against the landowner. Iowa law provides these assessments can be attached to the real estate tax of the land for collection. Weed eradication/control will still be required to be implemented in all cases where penalties are assessed

WHEREAS, The following weeds have been declared Noxious:

Class A Noxious Weeds for Eradication: Palmer Amaranth (*Amaranthus palmeri*)

Class B Noxious Weeds for Control:

- a) Canada Thistle (*Cirsium arvense*)
- b) Teasel (*Dipsacus spp.*) biennial
- c) Leafy Spurge (*Euphorbia esula*)
- d) Bull Thistle (*Cirsium vulgare*)
- e) Multiflora Rose (*Rosa multiflora*)
- f) European Morning Glory or Field Bindweed (*Convolvulus arvensis*)
- g) All other species of thistles belonging in the Genus of *Carduus*

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, At all times: Palmer Amaranth must be eradicated. Each owner and each person in possession or control of any lands in Benton County shall seek cooperation with the United States Department of Agriculture, which may include the department's farm service agency office for that county, the farm service agency's state office, or any other office or official designated by the department, if Palmer Amaranth (*Amaranthus palmeri*) is found on lands enrolled in the conservation reserve program as described in 7 C.F.R. pt. 1410

Dated the 28th Day of April, 2026.

Tracy, Chairman

Ronald Tippett

Bruce Volz

ATTEST:

Hayley Rippel, Benton County Auditor

Eric Schares, Benton County Weed Commissioner provided an update on his department and also explained the noxious weeds public notice he will be posting soon.

Tippett moved/Volz seconded: To acknowledge the Federal Inmate contract between Benton County Jail and United States Marshals Service for housing federal prisoners with a per diem rate of \$85.62. Tippett, Seeman and Volz voting aye. Motion carried.

Volz moved/Tippett seconded: To approve the Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) FY27 Secondary Roads Budget. Tippett, Seeman and Volz voting aye. Motion carried.

Tippett moved/Volz seconded: To approve the IDOT Five Year FY27-FY31 Secondary Roads Construction Program. Tippett, Seeman and Volz voting aye. Motion carried.

Tippett moved/Volz seconded: To approve the IDOT Pre Construction Agreement 2026-C0199 for intersection improvements at US HWY 30 to place rumble strips along 26th Ave, 27th Ave, 30th Ave, 32nd Ave and 33rd Ave. in an estimated amount of \$10,690.76. Tippett, Seeman and Volz voting aye. Motion carried.

Engineer reminded the Board that the dust control deadline to sign up is Friday, May 1, 2026.

Tippett moved/Volz seconded: To adjourn meeting at 10:03 a.m. Tippett, Seeman and Volz voting aye. Motion carried.

Tracy Seeman, Chairman

ATTEST: _____

Hayley Rippel, Benton County Auditor