Benton County Commission December 15, 2025

Convene

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on December 15, 2025 at the Board Room. Attendance: Larry Berry, Present: Scott Harms, Present: Steve Daleske, Present.

Approval of Prior Minutes

District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to approve prior minutes dated 12/9/2025. District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes).

David Malecki

David Malecki is present at today's meeting.

2026 Budget Preparation

Commissioners continued preparation of the 2026 budget today.

Circuit Clerk Budget

Circuit Clerk Shanda Schultz met with Commissioners to present her 2026 budget requests. The budgets for the Associate Circuit Judge and Juvenile Division were also included.

Prosecuting Attorney Budget

Prosecuting Attorney Rod Richardson met with Commissioners to present his 2026 budget requests. This included the budgets for Prosecuting Attorney Training and Administrative Handling Cost funds.

Rick Jordan

Rick Jordan met with Commissioners to express concerns pertaining to County sewer and septic guidelines, particularly the effect on platted subdivisions.

McClure Engineering/Gray Avenue Bridge

McClure Engineering representative Aaron McVicker met with Commissioners to discuss the Gray Avenue Bridge project. He stated that the Notice to Proceed has been initated, and construction will begin on December 16, 2025; projected completion date is March 16, 2026.

County Clerk Report

The County Clerk submitted bills for approval and payment.

Assessor/Aerial Photography Services

Assessor Jim Hansen met with Commissioners to present the contract for aerial photography services from

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Pictometry International Corp, d/b/a Eagleview. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to enter into an agreement with this company for aerial photography services, District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), and Steve Daleske (Yes). This project will be completed in 2026.

Bid Opening - Roof Replacement Projects

The bid opening was held for the roof replacement of the Courthouse and the E-911 Dispatch Center. Those present with Commissioners and the Clerk were Septagon representative Nick Smith and G & R Construction representative Bret Palliser. Bids were received from G & R Construction, Missouri Builders Service, Watkins Roofing, and Weathercraft, Inc. Septagon will review the bids that were received, and a decision will be reached at a later date.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer presented her weekly financial report.

Adjournment

District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry Ordered that the commission adjourn until 12/16/2025. Steve Daleske seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Larry Berry (Yes), Scott Harms (Yes), Steve Daleske (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

Signatures

Steve Daleske

Presiding Commissioner

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