

Benton County Council
March 20, 2025

The Benton County Council were set to meet at 8:30 a.m. at the Benton County Courthouse. Those in attendance were Council members: Ron Shoup, Jim Schoen, Brent Cox, Angie Glotzbach, Jackie Steinmetz, Lori Cyr, Katrina Schutter and County Auditor Beth Budreau.

Others in attendance were – Elaine Beaty, Janet Sweet and John Cox.

Business

The Public Adoption – Cumulative Jail rate was signed with no further discussion.

Elaine Beaty & Janet Sweet – Goelzer Investment Management

Elaine and Janet came before the council to explain the increase tension on the sheriff pension fund and how it is doing. They explained the Senate bill 144 which will mandate that the fiscal/financial bodies will be informed on the sheriff pension. Elaine proceeded to explain that the pension that we have set up is currently healthy and there are no issues, they came before the board for informational purposes only. Sheriff Cox stated that he would like this to be an annually update ordeal in the month of March, the council members agreed.

Auditor Beth Budreau presented minutes from February 27, 2025, meeting, minutes were approved as presented with a motion by Councilwoman Angie Glotzbach, seconded by Councilman Brent Cox, motion carried.



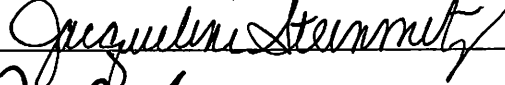
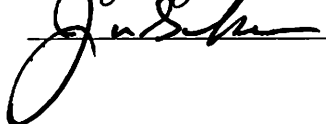
John Cox – Sheriff

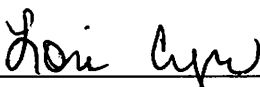

- Newton County Sheriff's office is putting together an ordinance to gift their used transport van to Benton County Sheriff.

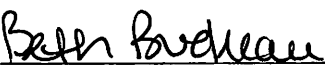
John Cox – Fairgrounds

- The insulation in the building is started. Once that is done the floors will be finished. Looking for a soft opening of the building on the last Saturday of May.
- Brick by brick donation fundraisers have started off well. The money for that will go back into the building.

The group closed out the meeting at 9:15 a.m. with a motion by Councilman, Brent Cox, second by Councilwoman Lori Cyr, motion carried.

Attest: 
Beth Budreau, Auditor