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## **BENTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Tuesday, May 18, 2021, 9:00 AM

Benton County Board Room

### AGENDA

9:00 - Ed Popp, Chair

- Call to Order
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
- Approve or Amend Agenda

9:01 - Announcement by the Board Chair:

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9:01 - "Open Forum" Announcement by Chair

- Public Input and/or Informational Matters Not Requiring Action by the Board

9:02 - Consent Agenda

1. Approve or Amend the Regular Meeting Minutes of May 4, 2021 (Administrator)
  2. Approve or Amend Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes of April 19, 2021 (Administrator)
  3. Approve or Amend the Special Board Meeting Minutes of May 11, 2021 (Administrator)
  4. Approve Proclamation to Designate the Week of May 16 – 22, 2021 as Emergency Medical Services Week (Administrator)
  5. Approve the Recommendations of the County Board Class and Comp Appeal Subcommittee (Class and Comp Appeal Subcommittee of the County Board)
  6. Approve Application for MN Lawful Gambling Exempt Permit (Auditor-Treasurer)
  7. Approve and Accept the Annual Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) (Emergency Management)
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8. Approve Final Payment to Knife River Corporation – North Central for Tied Projects SAP 005-606-020, SP 005-070-007, SP 005-604-027 and SP 005-608-009 (Public Works)
9. Approve Amendment to DOC Work Release Agreement (Sheriff’s Office)
10. Accept and File VSO Quarterly Report (Veteran’s Service Officer)

9:05 – Montgomery Headley, County Administrator

- Recognition of Sandy Block from Human Services as Our January Through March Quarterly Award Winner in the Category of “Inspirational Leader”

9:10 – Roxanne Achman, Department of Development Director

- Conduct a Public Hearing to Consider Ordinance #481 Amending Benton County Development Code Ordinance #477 to Amend the Residual Lot Size When Platting

9:15 – Montgomery Headley, County Administrator

- Recommendation from the Benton Economic Partnership to Conduct a Housing Study
- Approve a Resolution in Support of Telecommuter Forward Certification
- Discussion on Foley to St. Cloud Fiber
- Discussion on Broadband Project Direction

9:34 - Recess Regular Board Meeting to Conduct a Human Services Board Meeting  
(Meeting May Not Start Until Posted Start Time)

9:35 - Human Services Board – Steve Heinen, Chair

- Call to Order
- Approve or Amend the Agenda
- Consent Agenda
  1. Approve or Amend Regular Meeting Minutes of May 4, 2021
  2. Approve Agreement Between St. Cloud Schools and Benton County Human Services to Share Costs of Transporting Children from Foster Care to School

-Adjourn

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9:39 – Reconvene Regular Board Meeting

9:40 - Commissioner Meeting Updates

- County Board members provide updates on meetings of external Boards and Commissions for which the Board member is the appointed representative of the County. Periodically, Board members may elect to be “spot lighted” for a more extensive report shared by video with County employees and posted to the County website.

9:45 – Commissioner Concerns

9:50 - Set Committee of the Whole Meetings and Designate Any Previously-Held Meetings as Necessary Committee Meetings

9:55 – Monty Headley, County Administrator

- Conduct a Closed Session Meeting of the County Board Pursuant to MN Statutes §13D.03, Subdivision 1, to Consider Strategy for Labor Negotiations

10:24 - Reconvene Regular Board Meeting

10:25 - Adjourn

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