



Office of Benton County

Mayor Mark Ward

21 N. Forrest Avenue
Camden, TN 38320

October 8, 2026

TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Mark Ward, County Mayor

The Board of County Commissioners will meet in a special called meeting on **Thursday, October 8, 2026** at the Benton County Courthouse at **6:00 P.M.**

AGENDA

- I. Opening of Meeting by Sheriff or his appointee.**
- II. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Roll Call by County Clerk or Chief Deputy**
- IV. Announcing of Quorum by County Clerk, Wanda Malin**
 - 1) Approval of Agenda**
 - 2) A RESOLUTION FOR BENTON COUNTY COMMISSION APPROVAL FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS TO THE BUDGET COMMITTEE BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1, 2026. (20261008-01)**
 - 3) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF THE COMMISSION'S RULES OF ORDER AND PROCEDURE. (20261008-02)**
 - 4) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF \$250,000.00 TO BEGIN CLOSING OUT THE ARPA TDEC GRANT FOR CONTRACTUAL EXPENDITURES, SUBJECT TO FULL REIMBURSEMENT. (20261008-03)**
 - 5) Adjourn**

RESOLUTION NO. 20261008-01

SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY MAYOR MARK WARD

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: NONE

October 8, 2026

A RESOLUTION FOR BENTON COUNTY COMMISSION APPROVAL FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS TO THE BUDGET COMMITTEE BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1, 2026.

WHEREAS, Benton County Board of Commissioners utilizes standing committees to efficiently review legislation, manage county operations, and make informed recommendations to the full legislative body; and,

WHEREAS, the appointed commissioners onto these essential standing committee boards are a matter of critical governance; and,

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the citizens of the county to maintain full transparency, equity, and oversight regarding the composition of these committees; and,

WHEREAS, the appointments detailed herein are intended to take effect as of September 1, 2026, to ensure administrative continuity and validate all committee actions taken since that date;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Benton County Board of Commissioners assembled in a special called meeting on this 8th day of October, 2026 that the budget committee members are appointed as detailed in the attached document.

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

RESOLUTION NO. 20261008--02
SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY MAYOR MARK WARD
LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: NONE
October 8, 2026

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF THE COMMISSION'S RULES OF ORDER AND PROCEDURE.

WHEREAS, the County Legislative Commission operates under a set of established Rules of Order and Procedure to ensure efficient, fair, and transparent public meetings; and

WHEREAS, periodic review of these governing rules is a best practice to ensure compliance with updated state statutes, modern technology, and local governance needs; and

WHEREAS, the Commission desires to formally initiate a collaborative process to evaluate, discuss, and consider potential updates or amendments to its current Rules of Order and Procedure.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Benton County Board of Commissioners, assembled in a special called meeting on this 8th day of October, 2026 that this Commission formally authorizes the review and discussion of the Commission's Rules of Order and Procedure.

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

RESOLUTION NO. 20261008-03
SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY MAYOR MARK WARD
LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE
October 8, 2026

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF \$250,000.00 TO BEGIN CLOSING OUT THE ARPA TDEC GRANT FOR CONTRACTUAL EXPENDITURES, SUBJECT TO FULL REIMBURSEMENT.

WHEREAS, the County previously entered into contracts and obligations eligible for funding under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) TDEC Grant; and,

WHEREAS, the County is currently finalizing operations to officially close out the ARPA TDEC grant program; and,

WHEREAS, the contractual expenditures totaling \$250,000.00 are to fulfill these approved projects; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to formally appropriate these funds to the designated expenditure accounts to ensure timely contractual obligations; and

WHEREAS, all advanced county funds expended under this authorization are eligible for and shall be fully reimbursed through the appropriate ARPA grant program or federal recovery allocation upon invoice and reporting submission;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Benton County Commissioners assembled in a special called meeting on this 8th day of October, 2026, that the Benton County Budget be amended to appropriate and budget funds within the proper account line items as follows:

DECREASE REVENUES:

171.39000	UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE	\$250,000.00
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INCREASE EXPENDITURES:

171.91110.316	CONTRIBUTIONS	\$250,000.00
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Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN