

**Special Called Meeting  
Benton City Council  
May 23, 2023**

A special called meeting of the Benton City Council was held on Tuesday, May 23, 2023 at 3:00 pm at Benton City Hall. Mayor Dotson called the meeting to order. Pledge of Allegiance was said and prayer offered by Rob Mattingly.

Council members present were Laura Craynon, Ann Riley, Rita Murray, Guy Henton, Butch Holland and Kevin Farley.

Others present were Bethany Cooper, City Clerk/Treasurer and Rob Mattingly, City Attorney

City Attorney Mattingly read the second reading of an ordinance amending Section 98 of the City of Benton's Code of Ordinances to allow for the Sunday sale of alcohol. A motion was made by Murray, seconded by Henton to approve. Murray, Henton, Riley, Craynon and Holland voted aye. Farley voted nay. Motion carried.

City Attorney Mattingly read the second reading of an ordinance annexing unincorporated territory adjoining the corporate limits of the City of Benton, KY for property adjacent to Riverside Drive. A motion was made by Holland, seconded by Farley to approve. All agreed. Motion carried.

City Attorney Mattingly read the first reading of an ordinance allowing for annual COLA increase for elected officials to be retroactive back to January 1, 2023.

The business license ordinance was discussed. Before making any amendments, the Council would like more information on gross receipts from other cities.

There being no further business to discuss, meeting adjourned at 3:49 pm.

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Rita Dotson, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Bethany Cooper, City Clerk/Treas.