

**Special Called Meeting
Benton City Council
June 17, 2026**

A special meeting of the Benton City Council was held on Wednesday, June 17, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. CST at Benton City Hall. Mayor Dotson called the meeting to order. Pledge of Allegiance was said, and prayer was offered by Kevin Farley.

Council members present were Guy Henton, Butch Holland, Sylvia Jestes and Brenda Edwards. Absent were Laura Craynon and Ann Riley.

The other staff present were Bethany Cooper, City Clerk/Treasurer; Rob Mattingly, City Attorney; and Kevin Farley, Planning & Zoning Admin.

Mayor Dotson read an Executive Order to re-appoint Darren Smith to Marshall County Building Enforcement Board. A motion was made by Jestes, seconded by Henton to approve. All agreed. Motion carried.

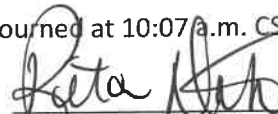
City Attorney Mattingly read the second reading of an ordinance amending Sections 155.056; 155.057 and 155.058 of Benton's Code of Ordinances to require all plants submitted to the Planning and Zoning Board for Planned Residential, Commercial or Industrial Developments to address water drainage issues resulting from the proposed project. A motion was made by Jestes, seconded by Henton to approve. All agreed. Motion carried.

City Attorney Mattingly read the second reading of an ordinance amending Section 155.093 of Benton's Code of Ordinances to lower the density requirements for multi-residential units in an R-3 zone. A motion was made by Holland, seconded by Jestes to approve. All agreed. Motion carried.

City Attorney Mattingly read the second reading of an ordinance amending Section 150.05 of Benton's Code of Ordinances to clarify that building permits relate to the enforcement of Benton's planning and zoning regulations and not to the enforcement of private property restrictions such as are found in subdivision restrictions. A motion was made by Henton, seconded by Jestes to approve. All agreed. Motion carried.

City Attorney Mattingly read the second reading of an ordinance amending Sections 155.056 and 155.035 of Benton's Code of Ordinances to amend the definitions of a side yard and accessory buildings, and to clarify where accessory buildings and swimming pools may be located in a R-1 zone. A motion was made by Jestes, seconded by Henton to approve. All agreed. Motion carried.

There being no further business to discuss, meeting adjourned at 10:07 a.m. CST.



Rita Dotson, Mayor

ATTEST:



Bethany Cooper, City Clerk/Treas.