

WEEKLY REVIEW



BENTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
April 26, 2022

This document is a weekly review of the Board of County Commissioners meeting, Tuesday, April 26, 2022. Information related to agenda changes, Consent Agenda, and Public Comment are on the [County website](#).

Scheduled Business

Elected Officials' Salaries 2025 & 2026 – Jerrod MacPherson, County Administrator

After two separate discussions with the Board, staff has prepared the final version of the salary schedule based on direction from the Board. Approximately every other year the Board of County Commissioners sets the salaries of elected officials. The salaries set generally are for 3 and 4 years in advance of the current year. This is to avoid changes to the salary of any elected official during their current term. Since 2016 salaries for elected officials have increased each year ranging from a 1.5% increase to a 2.25% increase. The salaries of the Commissioners, Clerk, Coroner, Treasurer, Assessor, and Auditor are set at the same level. The salary of the County Sheriff was set at a higher level because that position used to have oversight of the jail in addition to their regular functions. That salary was reduced to be in line with the other elected officials (effective 2023) when the jail was split to its own department in 2019. The Auditor, Treasurer, Assessor, and Coroner are proposed to receive a 2.25% increase in years 2025 and 2026. The Sheriff's salary is being amended again, prior to the start of their next term in 2023, to be 7% higher than other elected officials. The salaries of the Commissioners are not being increased for 2025 and 2026. These salaries take effect at the beginning of the next term of office for each elected official. **The Board moved and seconded to approve a resolution setting salaries for elected officials and amending Resolution 2020-511. Motion carried.**

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