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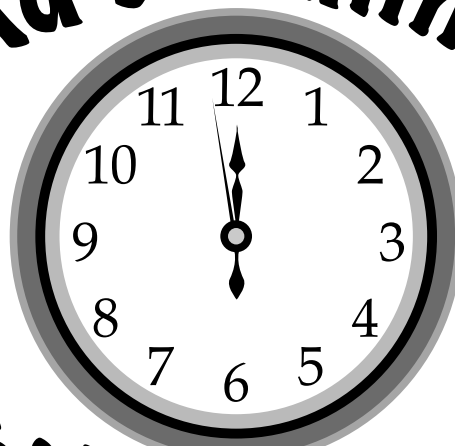
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As the lazy days of summer begin to gently turn toward the crisp promise of autumn, August in Vinton reminds us exactly why small-town living is so special. This is a month of motion, from the final splashes at the community pool to the energetic buzz of downtown streets preparing for a new season. As you flip through this edition of the Vinton Livewire, we want to invite you to look closer at what makes our community thrive: the vibrant connection between our local events and the neighborhood businesses that make them possible.

Vinton doesn't just let summer fade quietly. We send it off in style with a lineup of happenings that bring friends, families, and visitors together. The energy driven by the Vinton Parks and Recreation Department continues to keep families active, making the most of our parks, trails, and seasonal facilities all month long. Looking ahead to the end of the month, downtown Vinton is also gearing up for Boom-Fest on August 29th. Located right on 4th Street from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM, this festival is a true celebration of local and regional creativity. Featuring everything from handmade pottery, woodwork, and textiles to food trucks, free live music, pedal car rides, and bouncy houses, it is a fantastic showcase of what our community creates and enjoys together. As the season starts to shift toward cooler evenings, local athletes and fitness enthusiasts are already looking ahead to fall community favorites like the Kiwanis Glow Trail 5K, keeping our neighborhood spirit strong and active year-round.



Events like Boom-Fest, neighborhood gatherings, and community programs do not just happen on their own. They are sustained by the economic and civic pulse of our local business community. When you choose to spend your hard-earned dollars right here in Vinton, the ripple effect touches every corner of our town. Shopping local means a significantly larger portion of your money recirculates right back into our community,

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As you plan your calendar for the rest of August, make a conscious effort to blend your local event-going with local spending. Grab your morning coffee from a downtown café, pick up your weekend project supplies from a home-grown hardware store, and get ready to celebrate local artisans at Boom-Fest. Vinton is shaped by the choices we make every day, and by shopping local and showing up for our community events, we are not just buying goods—we are investing in Vinton's bright future. See you downtown!



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- ☆ Vikettes Go "Mad" To Open 2026 Volleyball Season.

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- ☆ Kennedy Fix Visits Washington D.C.
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- 1. Midway between south and southeast
- 4. Fathers
- 9. Wine grape
- 14. Al Bundy's wife
- 15. Derived from ammonia
- 16. Venezuelan state
- 17. Interest rate
- 18. Experts
- 20. Vascular tissues
- 22. Smooth and glossy
- 23. Administrative region in S. Korea
- 24. One from Damascus
- 28. Special interest group
- 29. It cools your home
- 30. Oh, God!
- 31. Intestinal pouches
- 33. Men
- 37. Twelfth star in a constellation
- 38. Former CIA
- 39. Arrange in grades of size
- 41. A baglike structure in a plant or animal
- 42. "The Great Lakes State"
- 43. Having earlike appendages
- 44. Momentarily stop
- 46. Ancient kingdom
- 49. Of I
- 50. White clerical vestment
- 51. Songs to one's beloved
- 55. Charges
- 58. Computer application originator
- 59. A place to dock a boat
- 60. One guided by reason
- 64. Slang for cigarette
- 65. Sailboats
- 66. "Jerry Maguire" actor Zellweger
- 67. Screen type
- 68. Country legend Haggard
- 69. Puts together in time
- 70. When you anticipate arriving

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Involuntary muscular contraction
- 2. Eastern US transit agency
- 3. Leaves a place
- 4. Cease to participate

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- 5. Current units
- 6. Cease to exist
- 7. General's assistant (abbr.)
- 8. Earth vibration
- 9. Very strong winds
- 10. For each one
- 11. A bog
- 12. The creation of beautiful or significant things
- 13. Affirmative
- 19. Pie ___ mode
- 21. Nonclerical

- 24. Indonesian island
- 25. Educational environment
- 26. Namibian peoples
- 27. Bring out or develop
- 31. Moves into a place of thought
- 32. Out of the way
- 34. Loads a ship
- 35. Beloved Hollywood alien
- 36. Distinguishes
- 40. The ancient Egyptian sun god
- 41. Secondary or explanatory title
- 45. Relating to a wing

- 47. One who gives a speech
- 48. In the middle
- 52. Loop with a running knot
- 53. Airborne (abbr.)
- 54. Sweet persons
- 56. Put into play
- 57. Small cattle breed
- 59. Millisecond
- 60. Revolutions per minute
- 61. They ___
- 62. Moon crater
- 63. A place to stay the night

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Level: Intermediate



Solve the code to discover words related to wellness.
Each number corresponds to a letter.
(Hint: 4 = E)

A. 7 16 4 7 12 11 25

Clue: Well visit

B. 24 20 7 10 20 14

Clue: Medical expert

C. 4 17 4 14 7 15 8 4

Clue: Physical activity

D. 24 15 4 10

Clue: The foods one eats

Answers: A. checkup B. doctor C. exercise D. diet

HOROSCOPES

ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20

You have been burning the candle at both ends, Aries. You can't run on caffeine and grit all of the time. Find a day to rest before your body makes that decision for you.

TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21

Someone is testing your patience this week, Taurus. Before you stick to your guns, ask yourself if this is a battle worth fighting and then proceed.

GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21

It's time to mute as much internal noise as possible, Gemini. Focus on one project and make a concerted effort to finish it before jumping to the next thing on your to-do list.

CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22

Cancer, the stars are washing over your emotional sector, making you confront what you have been sweeping under the rug for some time. Trust your feelings.

LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23

Leo, the universe is asking you to give others a shot to shine and for you to step into the background. Use this week to refine your talents out of the spotlight.

VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22

Virgo, keep your eyes open for a chance encounter mid-week that could spark a great new idea. Let go of the need to control the outcome and just go with the flow.

LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23

Collaboration is your superpower this week, Libra. If you've been stuck on a professional problem, run it by a colleague. The answer may lie in a perspective you haven't considered yet.

SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22

Your financial intuition is incredibly sharp, Scorpio. Trust your instincts right now. It's a great week to pitch a big idea, ask for a raise or reevaluate your budget

SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21

Sagittarius, you are feeling an itch to break free from your routine but don't know where to begin. Don't drop everything just yet. Explore little adventures first.

CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20

There are a lot of ideas floating around in your head, Capricorn, but none have solidified into action just yet. Seek the opinions of others to identify a path forward.

AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18

Aquarius, every time you think you have a plan in place, the variables change. That's alright because you always have a backup idea should different scenarios present themselves.

PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20

You can't predict where a relationship will go, Pisces. This week it is best to simply maintain the status quo. Things will be revealed soon enough.

GUESS WHO ?

I am an actor born in Massachusetts on August 12, 1975. I attended Columbia University and majored in physics. But I went into acting like my older brother, playing many supporting roles. I went on to win an Academy Award for a starring role.

Answer: Casey Affleck

ANSWERS

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storm door, new floor and front porch light, new vinyl
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garage and 2 smaller storage sheds for mowers and yard
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town. Great opportunity!! Only **\$82,500!!**



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original woodwork, hardwood floors, leaded glass
windows & glass pocket doors. The kitchen has been
recently updated including a quartz counter-top,
a built-in microwave and a dishwasher. Very nice for-
mal dining room, a large spacious living room and a
beautiful open staircase!! An open front porch with
mature trees in the front yard! A new roof 5 years ago.
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PRICE REDUCED!!
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cently remodeled 1.5 story, 4 bdrm home,
with a formal dining room, a spacious liv-
ing room, a family/sun-room with bright
natural light in a very nice eat-in
kitchen, a very nice dry and office. Out-
side a heated & cooled 30' x 40' shop/ga-
rage, a 15' x 23' garden shed. Then a 30' x 40' g-
arage with a partially/sheet-
rocked finished 2nd level with possibilities. ... plants and trees planted all around the
yard!! For the people looking for garages, shops, storage and sheds, this acreage has it
all!! **\$397,500 PRICE REDUCED TO \$370,000!!**



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PUBLIC NOTICES

BENTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

June 23 2026

The Benton County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with Supervisors Seeman, Tippet were present, Volz joined via telephone. Chairman Seeman called the meeting to order at 8:45 a.m. at the Benton County Service Center. Members of the public are invited to join in during open session or watch the livestream at <https://www.youtube.com/bentoncountyiowa>. Full Resolutions will be available in the Auditor's office and at: www.bentoncountyiowa.gov

Tippett moved/Volz seconded: To approve the agenda. Tippett, Seeman and Volz voting aye. Motion carried.

Tippett moved/Volz seconded: To approve the minutes of Tuesday, June 16, 2026. All members voting aye. Motion carried.

Tippett moved/Volz seconded: To approve the 6/18/2026 payroll checks numbered 144091 through 144157, ACH Deposits 65717 through 65890 and vendor checks 257707 through 257714 and claims numbered 257715 through 257920. Tippett, Seeman and Volz voting aye.

Tippett moved/Volz seconded: To set public hearing date of Tuesday, July 21, 2026 at 9:15 a.m. for a non-agricultural use for Farmtastic 3, LLC within the NE ¼ of the NE ¼ and the SE ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 12-86-11. Tippett, Seeman and Volz voting aye. Motion carried

Volz moved/Tippett seconded: To approve Resolution #26-56, FY27 Certifications of deputies in

the Auditor's, Recorder's, Treasurer's, Sheriff's and Assistants in the County Attorney's office. Tippett, Seeman and Volz voting aye. Motion carried.

Tippett moved/Volz seconded: To authorize Derek Marsh, to file a petition on behalf of the Benton County Board of Supervisors to intervene with the Iowa Utilities Commission regarding docket #GCU-2026-0002 in regards to the Alliant Energy's proposed project.

Globe Life Liberty National Insurance representatives presented what they have to offer for supplemental employee benefits pre-taxable. They provided a folder and briefly explained the programs offered.

Seeman moved/Tippett seconded: To approve Resolution #26-57, Variance to the Sub-Division Ordinance for a boundary adjustment on property located in the SW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 15-86-10. Tippett, Seeman and Volz voting aye. Motion carried.

Volz moved/Tippett seconded: To approve fireworks permit for Chris Herr for July 11, 2026 for the Watkins Community Athletic Association. Tippett, Seeman and Volz voting aye. Motion carried.

Tippett moved/Volz seconded: To approve fireworks permit for Jerry Kelchen for July 10, 2026 pending fire chiefs approval. Tippett, Seeman and Volz voting aye. Motion carried.

Discussion followed up from last week regarding House File 2490, regarding public posting for public notices. Auditor Rippel brought this up

last week and needed formal action since it goes into effect July 1, 2026. Rippel provided some examples and costs for outdoor display cases.

Tippett moved/Volz seconded: To approve Resolution #26-58, Designating the official physical location for posting public meeting notices temporarily be located on the south doors until a permanent structure can be installed by the west doors of the courthouse. Tippett, Seeman and Volz voting aye. Motion carried.

Tippett moved/Volz seconded: To adjourn meeting at 10:11 a.m. Tippett, Seeman and Volz voting aye. Motion carried.

Tracy Seeman, Chairman
ATTEST: Hayley Rippel, Benton County Auditor

July 28, 2026

The Benton County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with Supervisors Seeman, Tippet and Volz were present. Chairman Seeman called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. at the Benton County Service Center. Members of the public are invited to join in during open session or watch the livestream at <https://www.youtube.com/bentoncountyiowa>. Full Resolutions will be available in the Auditor's office and at: www.bentoncountyiowa.gov

Volz moved/Tippett seconded: To approve the agenda. All members voting aye. Motion carried.

Volz moved/Tippett seconded: To approve the minutes of Tuesday, July 21, 2026. All members voting aye. Motion carried.

Tippett moved/Volz seconded:

To approve Resolution #26-65, Amending Resolution #26-57 Granting Variance to the Subdivision Ordinance for Thomas and Jonna Darland in Section 15-86-10 to correct legal and the provisions. Tippett, Seeman and Volz voting aye. Motion carried.

Volz moved/Tippett seconded: To approve Resolution #26-66, Enter into a 28E Agreement between the Iowa Department of Natural Resources and Benton County, Iowa regarding Iowa Code Chapter 455B and delegating authority for regulations on private wells. Tippett, Seeman and Volz voting aye. Motion carried.

Volz moved/Tippett seconded: To approve the extension of the part-time assistant for in the Environmental Health and Land Use to not exceed January, 2027. Tippett, Seeman and Volz voting aye. Motion carried.

The time and date was set for opening bids for sheriff's vehicles. The only bid received was from Thys for 3 vehicles each in the amount of \$44,955.

Tippett moved/Volz seconded: To award the bid from Thys Motor Company, Belle Plaine for (3) 2027 Dodge Durango Pursuit Vehicles, AWD, V-8 Hemi in the amount of \$44,955.00 each. Tippett, Seeman and Volz voting aye. Motion carried.

Volz moved/Tippett seconded: To approve Utility Permit for East Central Iowa REC in Jackson Township. Tippett, Seeman and Volz voting aye. Motion carried.

Greg Walston provided an Old

School Produce update. The production of vegetables isn't as good compared to previous years, due to the rain and other timing. Walston also wanted to inquire about a donated bat box and if he could get permission to install in the garden areas. The Board all agreed that was fine. The fence request was also discussed, Seeman mentioned the quotes obtained were very expensive. He suggested waited until the weather cools off and he'd assist with the volunteers helping out. Walston also reminded the Board about the lease that will come due in December for the year.

Old School Produce is always welcome to donations both monetarily and in vegetables.

Volz moved/Tippett seconded: To approve Resolution #26-67, Amending Resolution #16-19, Middle Cedar Watershed Management Authority Articles of Agreement. Tippett, Seeman and Volz voting aye. Motion carried.

Tippett moved/Volz seconded: To approve Resolution #26-68, Committing Fund Balances in Accordance with GASB 54 effective July 1, 2026. Tippett, Seeman and Volz voting aye. Motion carried.

Tippett moved/Volz seconded: To appoint Mariam Gallagher as Deputy Medical Examiner for Benton County. Tippett, Seeman and Volz voting aye. Motion carried.

Seeman moved/Tippett seconded: To set the date of Monday, August 31, 2026 at 1:00 p.m.-4:30 for the all employee meeting and will give notice to the public according-

ly. Tippett, Seeman and Volz voting aye. Motion carried.

Committee Reports: Supervisor Tippett wasn't able to join the HACAP meeting. Supervisor Volz gave a quick Wellness update, the county is only at 50.83% participating and will need much more to qualify for discounts. Auditor Rippel said there would be some reminders done at the all employee meeting day on this as well. Supervisor Seeman had a landfill meeting.

Shelby Williams, Conservation Director brought up some new business. First off, Williams reported that the water is back on at Rodgers Park, although Hannen lake is having some septic issues. Currently there are temporary holding tanks, but the DNR will need to do permitting, and there will be costs to design and implement the new septic tanks. This led to budget amendment discussions and other funding sources that may be needed. Along with Hannen's septic, there is a future watershed project that has potential for 75% grant funds to reimburse expenses. Williams will get with Auditor Rippel and look at some funding sources and options with the budget planning before anything takes place. Rippel mentioned the Audit firm is working with her next week and they could have some joint conversations.

Volz moved/Tippett seconded: To adjourn at 10:13 a.m. All three voting aye. Motion carried.

Tracy Seeman, Chairman
ATTEST: Hayley Rippel, Benton County Auditor