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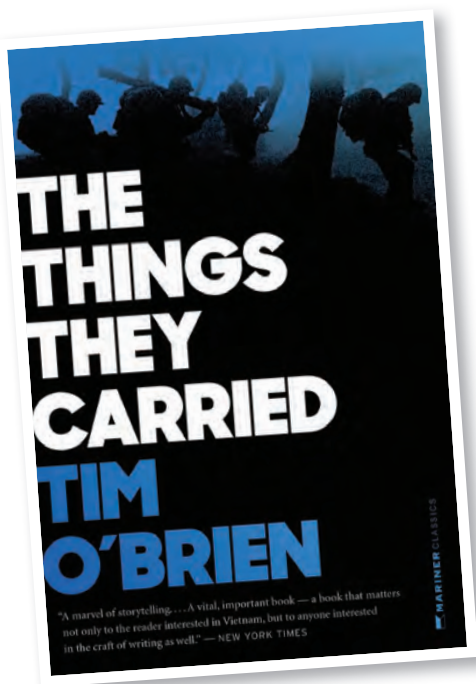
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VINTON'S Big Read

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COMMUNITY QUILT PROJECT

Our library is sponsoring a community quilt project. We are inviting members of the community to choose from our selection of patriotic fabric and create a quilt block. We will take all completed blocks and make a large quilt. The quilt will be displayed in the library before being included in a raffle drawing.

Calendar of Events

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER

- Sept. 17, 2026, 1pm** Vinton's Big Read Kickoff Event
- October 6, 2026, 7pm** Live Music featuring Todd Frank and Phil Thomas, Vinton Palace Theatre
- October 7, 2026, 7pm** Film Showing of 'Forrest Gump,' Vinton Palace Theatre
- October 8, 2026, 6pm** Benton County Conservation presents 'All About Bison' program, Vinton Public Library
- October 10, 2026, 9:15am** Community Book Club discussion of 'The Things They Carried' by Tim O'Brien, Vinton Public Library
- October 15, 2026, 9am-6pm** Carnegie Libraries Bus Tour including the State Library of Iowa, departure from the Vinton Public Library, preregistration required
- October 27, 2026, 6:30pm** Painted Patriotic Community Collage, Vinton Guild of Fine Arts Studio, preregistration required

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER

- November 11, 2026, 7pm** Grout Museum of Iowa presents 'Voices of Iowa: Pearl Harbor,' Vinton Palace Theatre
- November 19, 2026, 6pm** Benton County Conservation presents 'Iowa Bald Eagles' program, 6pm, Vinton Public Library
- November 21, 2026, 10am** Frontier Foraging program, Benton County Nature Center
- December 8, 2026, 7pm** Lecture with Alex Vasquez, 7pm, Vinton Palace Theatre
- December 9, 2026, 7pm** Film Showing of 'Midway,' Vinton Palace Theatre

REGISTER ONLINE

<https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/2026-vintons-big-read-4865148>

DINING & entertainment

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Sunday, Oct. 11

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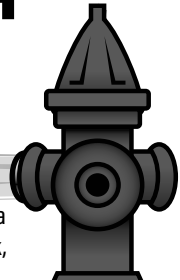
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✓ Life long Benton County resident
✓ Experienced

✓ Graduated from the Iowa State County Treasurer's Association certified Treasurer's program May 2025
✓ Knowledgeable
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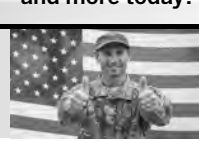
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October 2026

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Wound Clinic Infusion Clinic OR- Dr. Meeker - as scheduled 5	Mercy Cardiology- Dr. Hollenbeck Mercy Pulmonology- Sara Butler Dermatology- Carly Day 6	Podiatry- Dr. Whitt- NOT HERE Urology - Dr. Rippentrop OR- Dr. Goedken - as scheduled 7	Podiatry- Dr. Siebrecht General Surgery- Dr. Miller Wound Clinic 1	Pain Clinic Mercy Cardiology- Hillary Behn Infusion Clinic OR- Dr. Meeker - as scheduled 2
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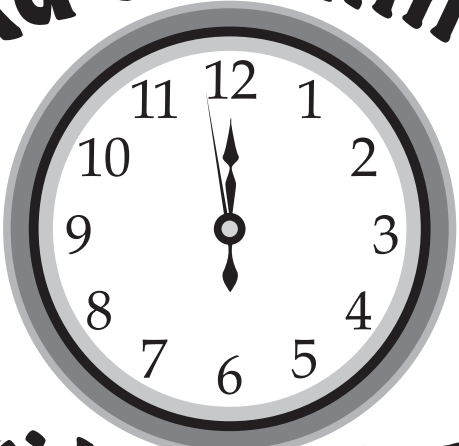
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- ☆ Bobcats shoot down Comets, 41-14 for first win of the season.

See last Friday's Cedar Valley Times for:

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Fiscal Year July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027				
The Board of Supervisors of BENTON COUNTY will conduct a public hearing for the purpose of amending the current budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 2027.				
Meeting Date/Time: 10/13/2026 09:30 AM		Contact: Hayley Rippel	Phone: (319) 472-2365	
Meeting Location: Benton County Service Center Supervisor's Conference Room 811 D Ave. Vinton, IA 52349				
There will be no increase in taxes. Any residents or taxpayers will be heard for or against the proposed amendment at the time and place specified above. A detailed statement of: additional receipts, cash balances on hand at the close of the preceding fiscal year, and proposed disbursements, both past and anticipated, will be available at the hearing. Budget amendments are subject to protest. If protest petition requirements are met, the State Appeal Board will hold a local hearing. For more information, consult https://dom.iowa.gov/local-gov-appeals .				
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		Total Budget as Certified or Last Amended	Current Amendment	Total Budget After Current Amendment
Taxes Levied on Property	1	17,153,555	0	17,153,555
Less: Uncollected Delinquent Taxes - Levy Year	2	0	0	0
Less: Credits to Taxpayers	3	1,101,267	0	1,101,267
Net Current Property Tax	4	16,052,288	0	16,052,288
Delinquent Property Tax Revenue	5	2,200	0	2,200
Penalties, Interest & Costs on Taxes	6	86,206	0	86,206
Other County Taxes/TIF Tax Revenues	7	1,675,413	0	1,675,413
Intergovernmental	8	10,313,582	112,500	10,426,082
Licenses & Permits	9	74,175	0	74,175
Charges for Service	10	1,179,900	0	1,179,900
Use of Money & Property	11	246,804	0	246,804
Miscellaneous	12	725,000	0	725,000
Subtotal Revenue	13	30,355,568	-112,500	30,468,068
Other Financing Sources:				
General Long-Term Debt Proceeds	14	0	0	0
Operating Transfers In	15	3,670,216	150,000	3,820,216
Proceeds of Fixed Asset Sales	16	52,800	0	52,800
Total Revenues & Other Sources	17	34,078,584	262,500	34,341,084
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES				
Operating:				
Public Safety and Legal Services	18	11,220,917	0	11,220,917
Physical Health and Social Services	19	1,890,622	50,000	1,930,622
Mental Health, ID & DD	20	0	0	0
County Environment & Education	21	2,811,735	200,000	3,011,735
Roads & Transportation	22	11,529,458	0	11,529,458
Government Services to Residents	23	1,310,725	0	1,310,725
Administration	24	3,474,676	16,100	3,490,776
Nonprogram Current	25	196,000	0	196,000
Debt Service	26	809,350	0	809,350
Capital Projects	27	4,475,000	0	4,475,000
Subtotal Expenditures	28	37,708,483	266,100	37,974,583
Other Financing Uses:				
Operating Transfers Out	29	3,670,216	150,000	3,820,216
Refunded Debt/Payments to Escrow	30	0	0	0
Total Expenditures & Other Uses:	31	41,378,699	416,100	41,794,799
Excess of Revenues & Other Sources over (under) Expenditures & Other Uses	32	-7,300,115	-153,600	-7,453,715
Beginning Fund Balance - July 1, 2026	33	23,288,299	0	23,288,299
Increase (Decrease) in Reserves (GAAP Budgeting)	34	0	0	0
Fund Balance - Nonspendable	35	0	0	0
Fund Balance - Restricted	36	11,939,316	0	11,939,316
Fund Balance - Committed	37	1,267,741	0	1,267,741
Fund Balance - Assigned	38	50,000	0	50,000
Fund Balance - Unassigned	39	2,731,127	-153,600	2,577,527
Total Ending Fund Balance - June 30, 2027	40	15,988,184	-153,600	15,834,584
Explanation of Changes: Conservation projects, insurance, rent increased costs and juvenile detention and misc items that needed additional spending authority				

BENTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

September 15, 2026

The Benton County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with Supervisors Seeman, Tippet and Volz 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/benton-countyiowa. Full Resolutions will be available in the Auditor's office and at: www.bentoncountyla.gov

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

Volz moved/Tippet seconded: To approve the minutes of Tuesday, September 8, 2026. All members voting aye. Motion carried.

Tippet moved/Volz seconded: To approve the Class C Liquor License for Cedar Ridge Vineyard, LLC for an event at Bloomsbury Farm on October 16, 2026. Tippet, Seeman and Volz voting aye. Motion carried.

Volz moved/Tippet seconded: To set public hearing date of Tuesday, October 13, 2026 at 9:30 a.m. for FY27 Budget Amendment. Tippet, Seeman and Volz voting aye. Motion carried.

Seeman moved/Tippet seconded: To approve and sign letter to mail to the Linn County Public Health and Linn County Board of Supervisors disapproving the construction of the Morgan Valley Energy Center. Tippet, Seeman and Volz voting aye. Motion carried.

Reports:
Supervisor Volz reported on last week's insurance seminar put on by Heartland Insurance. It was well attended and good information. He also has another Heartland meeting

this week.

Supervisor Tippet reported that Cassie Ruth from Central Iowa Juvenile Detention coming to next week's board meeting to discuss the proposed 28E and answer any questions that we have.

Supervisor Seeman attended the Conservation Board meeting last night.

Public Comments from Rob Hursh in regards to the letter, they asked if they could also send a copy to the Department of Natural Resources and the Iowa Utilities Commission. Seeman moved to amend his original motion to include those two entities to receive a copy of the letter as well. Tippet Seconded. All members voting aye. Motion carried.

Gabe McGowan, secondary roads employee met with the board to discuss the new safety glasses policy and how it recently affected him and what he had to pay full price for two pairs of glasses. He said the policy needs re-vamped or asked that it go back to where it was, and more affordable.

Alisha Burmeister, Deputy Auditor presented more information on various plans for safety glasses. Burmeister felt this also needs to state a limit on how much the county pays and reflect that in the policy. Supervisor Seeman suggested county pay up to 75% of the costs. Burmeister will bring back more on this topic after she hears back from another vendor.

Volz moved/Tippet seconded: To table acting on an amended Safety Glass Policy. Tippet, Seeman and Volz voting aye. Motion carried.

Courtney Long couldn't attend, but the sheriff reported that he took

care of their security questions that she and her Veterans Affairs Commissioners had.

Discussion regarding the County Recycling and bins located throughout the county was had between the Supervisors and Benton County Engineer Myron Parizek. The County owns the bins and hires out for them to be serviced and emptied. The reason for installing cameras at a few of the locations was from things being dumped that shouldn't be. They also discussed the importance of breaking down the boxes to save on space. Supervisor Seeman reported that it costs the county more money to recycle than it does to bury it. Cardboard and glass aren't worth anything, and he hoped someday it would be. Engineer Myron Parizek brought some history behind the county recycling and named where all the locations were throughout the county. Parizek wasn't sure what the commercial businesses in Vinton were doing with their recycling. The Vinton site in particular by the courthouse is emptied twice a week, typically Monday and Fridays. The others are just once a week. The other sites Parizek mentioned were: Garrison, Watkins, Van Horne maintainer shed, Belle Plaine at the grocery store, and Shellsburg on the edge of town by the maintainer shed. These bins were intended for rural residents, whom can't participate in the city's garbage/recycling pick-ups.

Tippet moved/Volz seconded: To adjourn at 10:01 a.m. All three voting aye. Motion carried.

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

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