September 16, 2015

The Benton County Board of Supervisors met in special session with Supervisors Frese, Hertle and Wiley present. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. at the City Hall in Vinton, Iowa.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the creation of a Middle Cedar River Watershed Management Authority. There were approximately thirty people in attendance representing the Cities of Cedar Rapids, Cedar Falls, Waterloo, Hudson, La Porte, and Vinton; the counties of Black Hawk and Benton; the Soil and Water Conservation Districts and Conservation Boards of Benton County, Tama County, and Black Hawk County; the Nature Conservancy, Iowa State Extension, Vinton-Shellsburg School District, Dry Run Creek Watershed, Iowa Department of Natural Resources, Benton/Tama Nutrient Reduction, East Central Iowa Council of Governments, and Iowa Northland Regional Council of Governments.

The meeting included the benefits for creating a watershed management authority, the enabling legislation, funding, and requirement for formation and operation. Those present indicated that the creation of the authority should proceed and were instructed to return to their respective governing bodies with the information and to request formal action by said bodies supporting the creation of a Middle Cedar River Watershed Management Authority through a 28E agreement.

Moved by Wiley, seconded by Frese, to adjourn. Both members voting aye thereon. Motion carried. Hertle was speaking with other persons during the adjournment.

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ATTECT	Donald H. Frese, Chairman	
ATTEST:		
Jill Marlow, Benton County Auditor		