

Ringgold County Board of Supervisors Minutes

February 21, 2023

The Ringgold County Board of Supervisors met in regular session Tuesday, February 13, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M with the following members present: Colby Holmes, Randy Taylor and Steve Knapp.

A motion was made by Knapp, second by Taylor to approve the agenda.

AYES: Unanimous NAYS: None

Engineer Jared Johnson met with the Board to provide secondary roads updates. The skid loader and chainsaws were out cutting brush in the Southeast and South-Central maintainer districts.

The excavator with brush cutter head were out cutting brush in the Northwest maintainer district.

The crew worked to cut brush around signs, bridges, intersections, and roadway encroachment areas.

The sign truck was out working to repair damaged, deteriorated, or downed signs.

Snow removal equipment was readied for the forecasted winter storm event.

A winter storm event moved through the County early Thursday and continued through Thursday. Plow trucks were dispatched early Thursday and ran all day trying to keep snow off of the hard surfaced roads. Blades were dispatched Thursday at noon to begin blading gravel roads. Cleanup from the storm continued Friday and into Saturday morning.

The contractor is planning on beginning the Grant 13 project middle to late March.

The department is still waiting on the issuance of the USACOE permit for the Benton 12 project. The department in conjunction with the Taylor County Engineer's office has begun final design for the project. Check plans are due July 3, 2023. The department will begin reaching out to landowners immediately adjacent to the project, and discuss Right-of-Way needs.

The department has been working on ordering materials for the Grant 11 project. Currently the department is planning on starting the project around the 1st of March pending weather forecasts.

The department has collected field survey data for the Washington 15 project and will begin hydraulic analysis for the site as time permits.

Johnson presented the Board with a Grand River Mutual utility permit. The Board moved forward with approval.

The Board met with Kevin Brown and Scott Ebert with American Business Phones to discuss their Quick Alert program. The program provides for an advanced option of security in county facilities. The Board reviewed the information and did not act.

The Board moved forward with approval of the MOU for reimbursement from CROSS Mental Health Region for Ringgold County employee.

The Board reviewed the Third Amendment to Iowa Child Abuse Prevention Program (ICAPP) Home Visit Services Contract and moved forward with approval.

The Board recessed at noon for lunch.

At 1:00 p.m. the Board returned to FY24 budget workshop. Among topics, the Board prepared a letter to Legislators expressing strong opposition to proposed Senate Study Bill 1124. The bill provides for a mandated, gradual reduction in the general basic levy, resulting in nearly a \$400,000 reduction in tax revenue to our county specifically. This bill will severely impact funding to primary services provided by the county. The Supervisors urge residents to reach out to legislators to express their concern with the bill, too. Reach out to any county supervisor, the county Auditor or your Legislator for more information.

The Board reviewed claims to be paid Wednesday, February 22 and moved forward with approval.

RESOLUTION RC23-32

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve the Grand River Mutual utility permit.

THEREFORE, a motion was made by Knapp and seconded by Taylor stating such.

The vote on the resolution: AYES: Unanimous. NAYS: None.

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved February 21, 2023.

RESOLUTION RC23-33

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve the MOU for reimbursement from CROSS Mental Health Region for Ringgold County employee.

THEREFORE, a motion was made by Knapp and seconded by Taylor stating such.

The vote on the resolution: AYES: Unanimous. NAYS: None.

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved February 21, 2023.

RESOLUTION RC23-34

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve the Third Amendment to Iowa Child Abuse Prevention Program (ICAPP) Home Visit Services Contract.

THEREFORE, a motion was made by Taylor and seconded by Knapp stating such.

The vote on the resolution: AYES: Unanimous. NAYS: None.

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved February 21, 2023.

RESOLUTION RC23-35

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve claims to be paid Wednesday, February 22, 2023.

THEREFORE, a motion was made by Knapp and seconded by Taylor stating such.

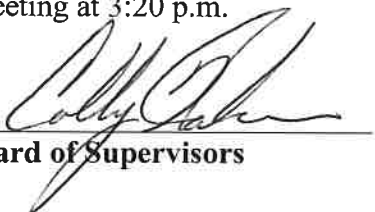
The vote on the resolution: AYES: Unanimous. NAYS: None.

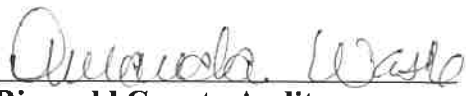
ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved February 21, 2023.

A motion was made by Taylor and seconded by Knapp to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

There was no further business. A motion was made by Taylor and seconded by Knapp to adjourn the meeting at 3:20 p.m.

ATTEST:


Board of Supervisors


Ringgold County Auditor