

Ringgold County Board of Supervisors Minutes

July 31, 2023

The Ringgold County Board of Supervisors met in regular session Monday, July 31, 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. Tractors and mowers have been out working to mow vegetation along roadsides. Last week they were working along J45, P68, and P46 in the Southeastern part of the County.

FM rock was hauled to the North Central maintainer districts.

Work order update:

W.O. 1088: Re-sealcoat P32 from HWY 169 to Delphos. Last week the road way was primed and one lift of seal coat surfacing placed along the entire project limits. The department began on the second lift and completed all but approximately 1 mile of seal coating. The department is going to haul in some additional chip rock and complete seal coating on this roadway weather depending. (In Progress)

W.O. 1089: Re-sealcoat 160th Ave from HWY 2 to Benton. The department is working to shape and tie down the base rock. (In Progress)

W.O. 1097: Clean ditches and shape roadway for approximately ½ mile. Located along 170th Ave between P33 and 190th Street. (In Progress)

Manatts was on site last week and completed the subdrain installation last week for the J55 project. The shouldering crew is planned to be on site this week to begin work.

Last week the Contractor continued to work on ditch and roadway cut along the south half of the Benton 11 project and from the residential entrance north to the EOP. Excavated material was used to finish building embankment at the existing bridge gap and backfill the culvert excavation. By the end of the week approximately 95% of the on-site cut has been completed. The contractor placed roadway gravel from the EOP to the residential entrance. The well on site was plugged. The channel was shaped at the culvert outlet and the sheet pile cutoff was installed. The contractor worked to start placing revetment at the culvert outlet. Since the project is nearing substantial completion, a walk around was conducted with the IDOT Western Region Field Engineer.

Last week the crew stripped east abutment formwork, laid out west pier pile foundation, drove initial 50' of pile at west pier and prepped pile for extensions at the Tingley 1 project. This project was paused as all personnel were required for the seal coat work completed last week.

This week it is planned to weld extensions at west pier, drive west pier pile to bearing, form and pour west abutment footing, and begin driving wood falsework piling.

Johnson requested approval from the Board to advertise and hire a full-time maintenance operator to fill a vacancy. The Board moved forward with approval.

Nate Summers with UMB Bank met with the Board and Engineer Johnson to review a bonding vs paygo analysis on possible capital projects. Summers discussed valuation trends, current general obligation debts, a debt service levy impact summary, and the benefits of bonding. The Board said this is something they would like to revisit once the current jail bonds are paid off and a new local option sales tax program is renewed.

The Board moved forward with rescinding resolution RC23-95 which implemented a moratorium on construction of wind turbines.

RESOLUTION RC23-119

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve to advertise and hire a full-time maintenance operator to fill a vacancy.

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 July 31, 2023.

RESOLUTION RC23-120

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve to rescind resolution RC23-95 which implemented a moratorium on construction of wind turbines.

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

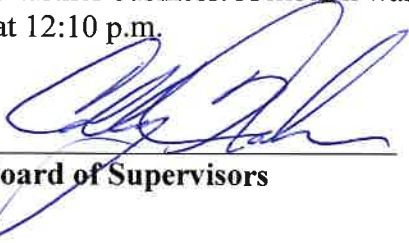
The vote on the resolution: AYES: Unanimous. NAYS: None.

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved July 31, 2023.

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

There was no further business. A motion was made by Knapp and seconded by Taylor to adjourn the meeting at 12:10 p.m.

ATTEST:


Board of Supervisors


Ringgold County Auditor