

Ringgold County Board of Supervisors Minutes

November 13, 2023

The Ringgold County Board of Supervisors met in regular session Monday, November 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 tractors and mowers have been out working to mow vegetation along roadsides in the Southeast and Southwest maintainer districts.

Traction control sand was hauled into the yard, and salt/sand were mixed in preparation for upcoming winter operations.

Work order update:

W.O. 1152: Clear brush and re-shape ditch and roadside for approximately 0.75 miles. Located along 160th Street and 300th Ave north and west from the 160th Street and 300th Ave. intersection. (In Progress)

W.O. 1162: Replace deteriorated 24" CMP culvert with new 24" ADS culvert. Located along 160th Street between P64 and 300th Ave. (Complete)

W.O. 1163: Replace deteriorated 30" CMP culvert with new 30" ADS culvert. Located along 160th Street between P64 and 300th Ave. (Complete)

W.O. 1164: Replace deteriorated 24" CMP culvert with new 24" ADS culvert. Located along 160th Street between P64 and 300th Ave. (Complete)

W.O. 1165: Replace deteriorated 24" CMP culvert with new 24" ADS culvert. Located along 160th Street between P64 and 300th Ave. (Complete)

W.O. 1153: Replace deteriorated 18" CMP culvert with new 18" ADS culvert and clean ditches. Located along the Tingley truck route at the east end. (Complete)

W.O. 1159: Replace deteriorated 30" cMP culvert with new 30" ADS culvert. Located along the Tingley truck route. (Complete)

W.O. 1132: Remove existing and deteriorated 36" vented CMP Flume. Repair shoulder and foreslope erosion. Installed revetment armored flume at outlet. The culvert under the roadway is also deteriorated and scheduled to be UV lined. It is planned to extended the inlet with the liner to improve clear zone. Located along P27 between 210th and 220th Street. (In Progress)

Blacktop Services was on the J55 site last week and completed the HMA skip patches.

Last week at Washington 15 the crew formed up the wings, did final pre-pour walk around, and poured the bridge deck. This week, weather pending, it is planned to start stripping formwork and hauling materials off site.

At 10:00 a.m. Knapp moved to open the public hearing for the proposed vacation of 260th street (Sections 21 & 28, Poe Township). Second by Taylor. Motion carried. Those present include Attorney Joel B. Templeman and property manager Ron Tobolski of Cabin View Properties IA, LLC. Templeman requested the Board move forward with approval of their request to approve the closure as they have received, and provided, written approval from all adjoining landowners, with no contestation of their request. At 10:08 a.m. Taylor moved to close the public hearing. Knapp second. Motion carried. The Board moved forward with approval of the closure request.

The Board drew lots to determine the winner of a tie in two City of Kellerton races. For the Mayor seat, candidate Thomas Giles received 30 votes and Rod Holmes received 30 write-in votes. Following the Boards drawing, Thomas Giles was selected. Similarly, based on write-ins for one of the three council seats to be voted, Rick Stark received 36 write-in votes putting him in second place followed by candidate Jackelynn Giles who received 53 votes. Third place, and the final seat for the council, was a tie vote with candidates Kathy Comer Johnston and Thomas Joseph Mate both receiving 31 votes. Following the draw, Thomas Joseph Mate was selected.

Auditor Amanda Waske presented the Board with the amended CROSS 28E Agreement. Following legislation, there are two changes to the agreement: Changed code references from 331 to 225C; Added required board seats and voting members to the Governing Board (law enforcement, judicial representatives). The Board moved forward with approval.

The Board reviewed and approved claims that were paid Wednesday, November 15, 2023.

Conservation Director Travis Scott met with the Board to provide department updates. The cabins have had a couple of weekends where they were completely full. Reservations for the cabins will close November 15th for the season. Scott purchased a new truck and will take sealed bids for the old truck. They are applying for a fish habitat grant for chemicals to treat Liberty Lake. Scott also applied for a grant to purchase education supplies. Scott reported he would like to create a walkway all the way around Liberty Lake. Ideally, he would like to create a silt retention damn where the damn would serve as a connector on the south side of the lake.

Scott went on to explain he is working at Poe Hollow now, considering the development/extension of the Ringgold Trailway through the park, where it will connect through the campground and back to the Nature Center.

Scott reported he has sprayed honeysuckle at all parks and has started cutting ash trees. The holiday lights display will begin soon. Scott said he is seeking volunteers for the setup process of the lighted displays. He went on to say they are still accepting entries for those wishing to set up a display. His environmental education programs have picked up, he said, totaling over 44 to date since he started this summer. At the end of the month, he will host a wreath making class. Next month, in addition to the lighted park, there will be a wild game processing class.

Scott said one thing he is considering is setting up a stationary archery range at one of the parks. The seasonal employees are still working a couple of days a week, through November, he said.

The Board recessed at noon for lunch.

At 1:00 p.m. the Board returned to perform the First Tier Canvass of the November 7, 2023 City-School results.

RESOLUTION RC23-164

WHEREAS, a public hearing was conducted on November 13, 2023 following publication and service of notice as required by law on the proposed vacation and closure of a portion of Ringgold County Secondary Road, described as follows:

That portion of 260th Street established September 7, 1857 (See Road Record Book A, page 124), commencing at a point 50' west of the NE corner along the northernly line of Section 28, thence west along the northernly line of Section 28 for approximately 1 mile to the NW corner of Section 28, all within T-68N, R-29W.

AND WHEREAS, Ringgold County bridge Poe 16, FHWA 296160, is in service on the aforementioned portion of road, and is located adjacent to parcels 008065 and 008179; AND WHEREAS, no objections have been received, either in writing or by persons present; NOW, THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED by the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors that the following portion of road be ordered vacated and closed:

That portion of 260th Street established September 7, 1857 (See Road Record Book A, page 124), commencing at a point 50' west of the NE corner along the northernly line of Section 28, thence west along the northernly line of Section 28 for approximately 1 mile to the NW corner of Section 28, all within T-68N, R-29W.

AND IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED that the real estate property rights of Ringgold County bridge Poe 16, FHWA 296160, be transferred by quitclaim deed to the property owner of parcels 008065 and 008179.

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 November 13, 2023.

RESOLUTION RC23-165

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve the amended 28E Agreement with CROSS.

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 November 13, 2023.

RESOLUTION RC23-166

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve claims to be paid Wednesday, November 15, 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 November 13, 2023.

RESOLUTION RC23-167

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve the first-tier canvassed results of the November 7, 2023, City-School Election.

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

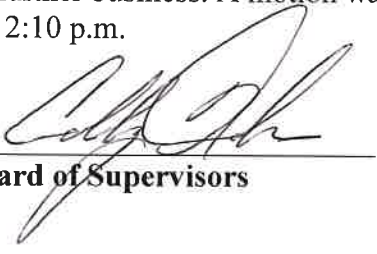
The vote on the resolution: AYES: Unanimous. NAYS: None.

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved November 13, 2023.

Knapp moved to approve the minutes for November 9, 2023 and today. Second by Taylor.
Motion carried.

There was no further business. A motion was made by Knapp and seconded by Taylor to adjourn the meeting at 2:10 p.m.

ATTEST:


Board of Supervisors


Ringgold County Auditor