

Ringgold County Board of Supervisors Minutes

January 2, 2024

The Ringgold County Board of Supervisors met in regular session Tuesday, January 2, 2024. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M with the following members present Randy Taylor and Steve Knapp. Absent: Colby Holmes

A motion was made by Taylor, second by Knapp to approve the agenda.
AYES: Unanimous NAYS: None

The Board met to discuss and review the annual resolutions.

The Board reviewed the Master Matrix resolution and moved forward with approval.

The Board reviewed and approved various Board appointments.

Engineer Jared Johnson met with the Board to provide secondary roads updates. The tractors and mowers were out working in the Southwest maintainer district. Chainsaws have been out working to cut brush away from signs, bridge ends, and culverts. The crew completed the Alan Wilson rock agreement.

Bridge closures were inspected to ensure they were still in place. Removed or damaged bridge closures were repaired or upgraded to permanent closure.

The sign truck was out working to repair downed, damaged, or deteriorated signs. No passing signage is in the process of being installed along J55 between the Decatur County line and P46.

The crew worked on installing 911 address signs and repairing / replacing streets signs.

The brush cutting equipment was installed on the skid loader and excavator. Brush cutting equipment was maintenance.

The crew worked to install wing plows on truck 66 and 67.

During wet and muddy periods, the crew worked to clean and declutter the shop. Safety concerns received from the Ringgold County self-safety audit for the main shop and satellite locations are being addressed and remedied.

Broken bridge edge markers were repaired for Liberty 14 and Monroe 5.

The crew picked up known old culverts that had been replaced and left behind.

Plow trucks were dispatched early Wednesday morning in response to accumulating snow received from the Tuesday overnight.

Work order updates:

W.O. 1076: Clean ditch for approximately 1400 ft and improve ditch grade to better allow the ditch to drain. Located along P64 between 200th and 210th Street.
(In progress)

W.O. 1180: Clean ditch for approximately 1300 ft. Ditched material was hauled to culvert project 1183. Located along P33 between 130th and 140th Streets. (Complete)

W.O. 1183: Replace deteriorated 18” CMP culvert with new 24” ADS culvert. Located along 130th street at the 170th Ave intersection. (Complete)

The department has addressed the audit comments and has proceeded to working on the final forms closeout packet.

The department is working to prepare preaudit closeout documentation on the Grant 13 project.

The department is working to prepare pre-audit closeout documentation on the Benton 11 project.

The department has completed check plans for the Benton 12 project and has submitted them for IDOT review. This project is on schedule for a May 2024 IDOT Letting.

The department has completed the site survey for the Washington 10 project and will proceed with preliminary design time permitting.

Middle Fork 7 is a bridge replacement project utilizing Local funding. The department is working to complete the initial site survey.

Johnson presented the Board with a requested correction to the minutes dated June 8, 1970, correcting a legal description of an approved road vacation, a portion of 130th street at Sun Valley Lake. The correct legal description shall read as follows: Beginning at the NW corner of the NW1/4-NE1/4 Section 22-70-28 thence east approximately 1,180 ft. (0.22 mi) terminating approximately 140 ft west of NE corner NW1/4-NE1/4 Section 22-70-28.

Sheriff Rob Haley met with the Board to discuss law enforcement funding. With the increased costs and the passing of HF718, the Board and Haley would like to explore additional revenue options. A meeting has been scheduled with County Attorney Clint Spurrier to discuss this further.

The Board reviewed claims paid Wednesday, December 27, 2023 and moved forward with approval.

RESOLUTION RC24-01

WHEREAS by the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby appoint Steve Knapp to be Chairperson for the year 2024 and,
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Colby Holmes is appointed Vice Chairperson.
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 January 2, 2024.

RESOLUTION RC24-02

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors hereby sets the time frame and days of the Boards’ regular sessions in the calendar year 2024 for every Monday of each

week, or as needed, beginning at 9:00 a.m. until business is completed each day with the exception of Holidays and,

WHEREAS claims will be approved every other Monday of the month. All claims must be filed with the Ringgold County Auditor within fifteen days after merchandise has been delivered, services have been rendered, or invoice received. No bill will be allowed unless they carry the approval of the officer empowered to order the same. All claims must be itemized in full with the vendor invoice and receipts and initialed by the head of the office or department. All claims and supporting documentation shall be scanned and emailed to the Auditors office prior to the claim submission deadline set forth below. Any claim filed by a Supervisor must be signed by the two remaining board members unless an emergency occurs where any one supervisor is absent for more than one consecutive week and,

WHEREAS claims or payroll detail must be filed with the Auditor's Office by 9:00 a.m. on Monday of the weekly sessions of the Board.

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 January 2, 2024.

RESOLUTION RC24-03

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby appoint the following members of the Board to serve as representatives and or alternates of the following named organizations:

Organization	Details	REP	ALT
ATURA	Transportation planning affiliate for region	Colby	Steve
Connections on Aging	Provides services to elderly including meal site	Randy	Steve
Conservation	Ringgold County department - ran by separate board	Randy	Steve
CROSS MH Region	Comprised of 7 counties-provide MH services for region	Randy	Colby
DECAT	Among Leon Cluster providing services to children	Steve	Randy
Development Corp	Local group gathered to develop industry in community	Randy	Colby
E911	Address sign placement & Works with Sheriff on 911 equip.	Colby	Randy
EMA	Emergency services for county	Colby	Randy
Interagency	Various agencies provide update on services provided in county	Randy	Colby
MATURA	Group comprised to eliminate causes of poverty in region	Steve	Colby
Pioneer Cemetery	Established to maintain local county pioneer cemeteries	Steve	Randy
Public Health	County entity providing medical services to residents	Randy	Steve

RCSS	Provides day-hab services to those with intellectual disabilities	Steve	Colby
Safety Committee	County entity established to ensure safe work environment	Steve	Randy
SICOG	Provides economic development within 8 counties	Colby	Steve
SE Iowa Response Group	Provides hazardous material response to 11 county region	Colby	Steve
Southern IA Resource Cons. & Dev. Area	Provide project leadership to conserve, develop & sustain natural resources	Steve	Colby
Trolley	Provides door to door service to 7 counties	Colby	Randy
WRD Landfill	Wayne-Ringgold-Decatur garbage services	Colby	Steve

THEREFORE, a motion was made by Taylor and seconded by Knapp to approve the above-named appointments.

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

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved January 2, 2024.

RESOLUTION RC24-04

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby announce that Ringgold County will observe ten holidays in the 2024 calendar year. County facilities (except for the Sheriff's Office) will be closed for ten days. The holidays and closings are as follows:

New Year's Day; President's Day on the third Monday of February; Memorial Day on the last Monday in May; Independence Day on July 4; Labor Day on the first Monday in September; Veteran's Day; Thanksgiving Day and the Friday following; all day Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. When a holiday falls on Saturday, the courthouse will be closed the Friday before and when a holiday falls on Sunday, the courthouse will be closed the following Monday, and

WHEREAS any offices of the Courthouse closing at times other than specified in this resolution excluding inclement weather shall publish notice in the County's official newspapers.

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 January 2, 2024.

RESOLUTION RC24-05

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby name the Record-News of Mt. Ayr, Iowa and the Diagonal Progress of Diagonal, Iowa as the designated official newspapers of Ringgold County for the calendar year 2024.

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 January 2, 2024.

RESOLUTION RC24-06

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors, in accordance with the Code of Iowa Section 331.324(1b), hereby state that the allowable mileage reimbursement for all county employees shall be the federal rate for the calendar year 2024.

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors allow reimbursement for parking fees not to exceed \$20.00 per day, unless pre-approved by the board, and

WHEREAS reimbursement for meals while away on an overnight stay are not to exceed \$50 per day. Tips will be the responsibility of the purchaser.

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 January 2, 2024.

RESOLUTION RC24-07

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby authorize the County Auditor, Amanda Waske to issue checks when the board is not in session for such fixed charges as freight, express, postage, water, lights, phone or employee reimbursements that are filed by an Officer or Department Head under whose direction the compensation was earned, and

WHEREAS the Auditor is empowered and instructed to issue checks for such purposes in accordance with section 331.506 of the Code of Iowa.

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 January 2, 2024.

RESOLUTION RC24-08

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby authorize County Officials and their Deputies to attend the Schools of Instruction and all other called meetings of the Iowa State Association of Counties during the 2024 calendar year.

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 January 2, 2024.

RESOLUTION RC24-09

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve the request of the Ringgold County Auditor, Amanda Waske, Ringgold County Recorder, Kisha Martin, Ringgold County Sheriff, Rob Haley and Ringgold County Treasurer, Debra Cannon, to name the Record-News of Mount Ayr, Iowa, and/or the Diagonal Progress of Diagonal, IA the official newspaper for their respective offices, as per Iowa Code Section 618.7 and 331.552(28), and

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby name the Record-News of Mount Ayr and/or the Diagonal Process of Diagonal as the newspaper designated by the Ringgold County Treasurer, Debra Cannon, for the publication of the Delinquent Taxes for the tax sale as per Iowa Code Section 446.9.

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 January 2, 2024.

RESOLUTION RC24-10

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby designate the following named banks to be the depositories advised by the Ringgold County Treasurer, Debra Cannon, for the funds of Ringgold County in accounts not to exceed the amount named opposite of said designated depositories and,

WHEREAS the County Treasurer is authorized to deposit county funds in amounts not to exceed in the aggregate, the amount named for said banks as follows: US Bank of Mount Ayr, Iowa or its Successors with the maximum deposit under this resolution being \$6,000,000.00. First Interstate Bank of Mount Ayr, Iowa or its Successors with the maximum deposit under this resolution being \$6,000,000.00. PCSB of Mount Ayr, Iowa or its Successors with the maximum deposit under this resolution being \$6,000,000.00. City State Bank of Mount Ayr, Iowa or its Successors with the maximum deposit under this resolution being \$6,000,000.00. And, WHEREAS the County Recorder is authorized to deposit county funds in amount not to exceed in the aggregate, the amount named for said banks as follows: US Bank of Mount Ayr, Iowa or its successors with the maximum deposit under this resolution being \$100,000.00. First Interstate Bank of Mount Ayr, Iowa or its successors with the maximum deposit under this resolution being \$100,000.00. PCSB of Mount Ayr, Iowa or its successors with the maximum deposit under this resolution being \$100,000.00. City State Bank of Mount Ayr, Iowa or its successors with the maximum deposit under this resolution being \$100,000.00, and WHEREAS the County Sheriff is authorized to deposit county funds in amounts not to exceed in the aggregate, the amount named for said banks as follows: US Bank of Mount Ayr, Iowa or its successors with the maximum deposit under this resolution being \$300,000.00. First Interstate Bank of Mount Ayr, Iowa or its successors with the maximum deposit under this resolution being \$300,000.00. PCSB of Mount Ayr, Iowa or its successors with the maximum deposit under this resolution being \$300,000.00. City State Bank of Mount Ayr, Iowa or its successors with the maximum deposit under this resolution being \$300,000.00, and 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 January 2, 2024.

RESOLUTION RC24-11

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby accept the appointment of Tammy Paxson, First Deputy Treasurer, as the employee designated by the Ringgold County Treasurer, Debra Cannon, to attend the Tax Sale if the County Treasurer is unable to attend.

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 January 2, 2024.

RESOLUTION RC24-12

WHEREAS Iowa Code section 459.304(3), sets out the procedure if a Board of Supervisors wishes to adopt a “construction evaluation resolution” relating to the construction of a confinement feeding operation structure, and

WHEREAS only counties that have adopted a construction evaluation resolution can submit to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) an adopted recommendation to approve or disapprove a construction permit application regarding a proposed confinement feeding operation structure, and

WHEREAS only counties that have adopted a construction evaluation resolution and submitted an adopted recommendation may contest the DNR’s decision regarding a specific application, and

WHEREAS by adopting a construction evaluation resolution the board of supervisors agrees to evaluate every construction permit application for a proposed confinement feeding operation structure received by the board of supervisors between February 1, 2024 and January 31, 2025 and submit an adopted recommendation regarding that application to the DNR, and

WHEREAS the board of supervisors must conduct an evaluation of every construction permit application using the master matrix created in Iowa Code section 459.305, but the board's recommendation to the DNR may be based on the final score on the master matrix or may be based on reasons other than the final score on the master matrix, and NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF RINGGOLD COUNTY that the Board of Supervisors hereby adopts this construction evaluation resolution pursuant to Iowa Code section 459.304(3).

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 January 2, 2024.

RESOLUTION RC24-13

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the Compensation Commission (eminent domain) as follows:

Monte Akers	M	Ag Property Owners
Dick Jackson	M	Ag Property Owners
Dale Walkup	M	Ag Property Owners
Mark Triggs	M	Ag Property Owners
Brian Bickel	M	Ag Property Owners
Joyce Frost	F	Ag Property Owners
Ryan Bailey	M	Ag Property Owners
Tom Kelly	M	City Property Owners
Dee Euritt	F	City Property Owners
Joe Routh	M	City Property Owners
Lowell Johnson	M	City Property Owners
Larry Jarred	M	City Property Owners
Ted Smith	M	City Property Owners
Marilyn Johnson	F	City Property Owners
Wanda Hosfield	F	Real-estate/Sales
Cody Shay	M	Real-estate/Sales
William French	M	Real-estate/Sales
Deborah Creveling	F	Real-estate/Sales
Rhonda Triggs	F	Real-estate/Sales
Jules Daughton	F	Real-estate/Sales
ALT: Marsha Jones	F	Real-estate/Sales
Tracy Barnes	F	Bankers/Auctioneers
David Greene	M	Bankers/Auctioneers
Kim Greenland	M	Bankers/Auctioneers
Tessa Barnes	F	Bankers/Auctioneers
Curt Pierschbacher	M	Bankers/Auctioneers
Stephen Taylor	M	Bankers/Auctioneers
Kelly James	M	Bankers/Auctioneers

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

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

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved January 2, 2024.

RESOLUTION RC24-14

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve the reappointment of the following Board members:

Ringgold County Supportive Services – 2-year term Linda Wilt & Karen Taylor
Civil Service Board – 6-year term Amy Whittington
Conservation Board – 5-year term Jim Norris
Historic Preservation Commission – 3-year term Gary Scott, Marlene Tull, Kim Scharfenkamp

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 January 2, 2024.

RESOLUTION RC24-15

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors, per the recommendation of County Engineer Jared Johnson, do hereby approve to correct the minutes dated June 8, 1970, correcting a legal description of an approved road vacation, a portion of 130th street at Sun Valley Lake. The correct legal description shall read as follows: Beginning at the NW corner of the NW1/4-NE1/4 Section 22-70-28 thence east approximately 1,180 ft. (0.22 mi) terminating approximately 140 ft west of NE corner NW1/4-NE1/4 Section 22-70-28.

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 January 2, 2024.

RESOLUTION RC24-16

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve claims paid Wednesday, December 27, 2023.

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 January 2, 2024.

A motion was made by Taylor, second 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 12:13 p.m.

ATTEST:


Board of Supervisors


Ringgold County Auditor

RESOLUTION #RC24-12

CONSTRUCTION EVALUATION RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Iowa Code section 459.304(3) sets out the procedure if a board of supervisors wishes to adopt a “construction evaluation resolution” relating to the construction of a confinement feeding operation structure; and

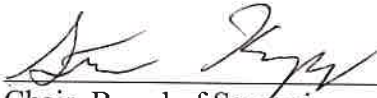
WHEREAS, only counties that have adopted a construction evaluation resolution can submit to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) an adopted recommendation to approve or disapprove a construction permit application regarding a proposed confinement feeding operation structure; and

WHEREAS, only counties that have adopted a construction evaluation resolution and submitted an adopted recommendation may contest the DNR’s decision regarding a specific application; and

WHEREAS, by adopting a construction evaluation resolution the board of supervisors agrees to evaluate every construction permit application for a proposed confinement feeding operation structure received by the board of supervisors between February 1, 2024 and January 31, 2025 and submit an adopted recommendation regarding that application to the DNR; and

WHEREAS, the board of supervisors must conduct an evaluation of every construction permit application using the master matrix created in Iowa Code section 459.305, but the board’s recommendation to the DNR may be based on the final score on the master matrix or may be based on reasons other than the final score on the master matrix;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF RINGGOLD COUNTY that the Board of Supervisors hereby adopts this construction evaluation resolution pursuant to Iowa Code section 459.304(3).



Chair, Board of Supervisors

Date: 1-2-2024

ATTEST:



County Auditor

Date: 1-2-2024