

Ringgold County Board of Supervisors Minutes

December 16, 2024

The Ringgold County Board of Supervisors met in regular session Monday, December 16, 2024. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M with the following members present: Steve Knapp, Randy Taylor and Colby Holmes.

A motion was made by Holmes, 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 were out working in the Southwest and South-Central Maintainer districts.

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

Sanders were re-installed, and trucks were prepared for the upcoming winter storm event.

The skid loader brush cutter was out working in the south-central maintainer district.

Chainsaws were out working to cut brush in isolated areas around signs, bridges and culverts.

Trucks were dispatched Saturday morning in response to an ice storm that moved through the county Friday night. Areas were pretreated Friday afternoon in preparation.

Work order update:

W.O. 1311: Replace deteriorated 36" CMP culvert with new 36" ADS culvert. Additional dirt was needed to improve roadway foreslope at the culvert, and was hauled in from nearby ditching projects. Located along 170th Ave, between 115th and 130th Streets. (Complete)

W.O. 1316: Clear trees and brush and re-shape ditch area for approximately 0.75 miles. Located along 240th Street between 130th Street and 120th Street. (In Progress)

The department has been working on the preparation of the final forms packet for submittal to the finance department. For the Grant 13 project.

The department is working to obtain the required documents from the contractor for the final forms packet on the Benton 11 project.

The department is working on obtaining all required documentation for project closeout and the pre-audit submittal on the Benton 12 project.

Brush piles were burnt at Liberty 25 site. The crew worked to break down the crane for transport. Currently it is planned not to move the crane to the next project right away.

The department is working on obtaining all required documentation for the Diagonal sidewalk project closeout and the pre-audit submittal.

Johnson presented the Board Consider the final pay voucher for Project BROS-SWAP-C080(82)--FE-80. The Board moved forward with approval.

Johnson then presented the Board with the pledge for the Ringgold County Safety Action Plan (SAP). The Board moved forward with approval.

At 9:30 a.m. a motion was made by Holmes to open the public hearing for the proposed road vacation of 280th Ave, section 25, Poe Twp. Second by Taylor. Motion carried. Also present: Marty Edwards. No public comments were received. Holmes moved to close the public hearing at 9:42 a.m. Second by Taylor. Motion carried.

At 9:45 a.m. a motion was made by Holmes to open the public hearing for proposed road vacation of 310th Ave, section 16, Monroe Twp. Second by Taylor. Motion carried. Also present: Darrin Martin & Lee Martin. No public comments were received. Taylor moved to close the public hearing at 9:52 a.m. Second by Holmes. Motion carried.

At 10:00 a.m. a motion was made by Taylor to open the public hearing for proposed road vacation of 122nd Ave, section 28, Lincoln Twp. Second by Holmes. Motion carried. No public comments were received. Holmes moved to close the public hearing at 10:09 a.m. Second by Taylor. Motion carried.

The Board moved forward with approval of each proposed road vacation as stated above.

The Board moved forward with appointing Kim Scharfenkamp as the Mental Health Advocate for Ringgold County, pending successful completion of a background check.

The Conservation Director Travis Scott met with the Board to provide department updates. Scott explained he has applied for a fish habitat grant that will be used for a silt pond at Liberty Lake. Lots of tree clean up has occurred. Several trees have been planted, too. Scott has purchased trees to establish a nursery by the department shop. Those can then be transferred to the parks as needed. Scott is researching grants to provide for more interactive exhibits at the Nature Center. He would like to add more exhibits like these to provide for variety and keep people coming back.

Auditor Amanda Waske presented the Board with the six-month ICAP insurance renewal documents. The county plans to transition the liability policy to renew on a fiscal year, instead of a calendar year. The Board moved forward with approval.

The Board reviewed claims paid Wednesday, December 11th.

RESOLUTION RC24-161

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve of final pay voucher for Project BROS-SWAP-C080(82)--FE-80.

THEREFORE, a motion was made by Randy Taylor and seconded by Colby Holmes stating such.

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

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved December 16, 2024.

RESOLUTION RC24-162

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve of the pledge for the Ringgold County Safety Action Plan (SAP).

THEREFORE, a motion was made by Randy Taylor and seconded by Colby Holmes stating such.

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

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved December 16, 2024.

RESOLUTION RC24-163

WHEREAS, a public hearing was conducted on December 16, 2024, 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 280th Ave established March 28, 1901 (Road Book D, Pg. 380), commencing at the NE corner of section 25, T-68N, R-29W, Thence south along the easternly line of said section a distance of 20' to the southernly ROW of 260th Street and also being the point of beginning, Thence south along the easternly line of said section a distance of approximately 2185' to a point of termination.

AND WHEREAS, Ringgold County bridge Athens 27, FHWA <20', is closed on the aforementioned portion of road;

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 280th Ave established March 28, 1901 (Road Book D, Pg. 380), commencing at the NE corner of section 25, T-68N, R-29W, Thence south along the easternly line of said section a distance of 20' to the southernly ROW of 260th Street and also being the point of beginning, Thence south along the easternly line of said section a distance of approximately 2185' to a point of termination.

AND IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED that Ringgold County bridge Athens 27, FHWA <20', be transferred by sale of property to E4 Legacy Farms LLC.

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve the proposed road vacation as stated above.

THEREFORE, a motion was made by Randy Taylor and seconded by Colby Holmes stating such.

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

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved December 16, 2024.

RESOLUTION RC24-164

WHEREAS, a public hearing was conducted on December 16, 2024, 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 310th Ave established July 9, 1874 (Road Book B, Pg. 93), commencing at the SE corner of Section 16, T-69N, R-28W, Thence north along the easternly line of said section a distance of 20' to the northernly ROW of 190th Street and also being the point of beginning, Thence north along the easternly line of said section to the NE corner of the SE 1/4 of Section 16, T-69N, R-28W and also being the point of termination.

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 310th Ave established July 9, 1874 (Road Book B, Pg. 93), commencing at the SE corner of Section 16, T-69N, R-28W, Thence north along the easternly line of said section a distance of 20' to the northernly ROW of 190th Street and also being the point of beginning, Thence north along the easternly line of said section to the NE corner of the SE 1/4 of Section 16, T-69N, R-28W and also being the point of termination.

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve the proposed road vacation as stated above.

THEREFORE, a motion was made by Colby Holmes and seconded by Randy Taylor stating such.

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

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved December 16, 2024.

RESOLUTION RC24-165

WHEREAS, a public hearing was conducted on December 16, 2024, 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 122nd Ave established January 1879 (Road Book C, Pg. 390), commencing at the NE corner of the NW 1/4 of Section 28, T-70N, R-31W, Thence south along the easternly line of the NW 1/4 of said section a distance of 25' to the southernly ROW of 140th Street and also being the point of beginning, Thence south along the easternly line of the NW 1/4 of said section a distance of 1010' to a point of termination.

AND WHEREAS, Ringgold County bridge Lincoln 14, FHWA 298790, is closed on the aforementioned portion of road;

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 122nd Ave established January 1879 (Road Book C, Pg. 390), commencing at the NE corner of the NW 1/4 of Section 28, T-70N, R-31W, Thence south along the easternly line of the NW 1/4 of said section a distance of 25' to the southernly ROW of 140th Street and also being the point of beginning, Thence south along the easternly line of the NW 1/4 of said section a distance of 1010' to a point of termination.

AND IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED that Ringgold County bridge Lincoln 14, FHWA 298790, be transferred by sale of property to 5K Business Ventures Lp.

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve the proposed road vacation as stated above.

THEREFORE, a motion was made by Randy Taylor and seconded by Colby Holmes stating such.

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

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved December 16, 2024.

RESOLUTION RC24-166

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve the appointment of Kim Scharfenkamp as the Mental Health Advocate for Ringgold County.

THEREFORE, a motion was made by Colby Holmes and seconded by Randy Taylor stating such.

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

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved December 16, 2024.

RESOLUTION RC24-167

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve the ICAP six-month insurance renewal documents.

THEREFORE, a motion was made by Colby Holmes and seconded by Randy Taylor stating such.

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

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved December 16, 2024.

RESOLUTION RC24-168

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve claims paid Wednesday, December 11, 2024.

THEREFORE, a motion was made by Randy Taylor and seconded by Colby Holmes stating such.

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

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved December 16, 2024.

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

There was no further business. A motion was made by Holmes and seconded by Taylor to adjourn the meeting at 12:11 p.m.

ATTEST:


Board of Supervisors


Ringgold County Auditor