

Ringgold County Board of Supervisors Minutes

February 18, 2025

The Ringgold County Board of Supervisors met in regular session Tuesday, February 18, 2025. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M with the following members present Randy Taylor, Colby Holmes, and Steve Knapp.

A motion was made by Knapp, second by Holmes 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 Southeast and Northeast maintainer districts.

The excavator brush cutter was out working in the Northeast maintainer district.

The skid loader brush cutter was out working in the North Central maintainer district.

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

Traction control sand was stockpiled in the yard and mixed with salt to replenish supply. Some straight sand was kept if needed.

Plow trucks were readied for a forecasted winter storm event.

Plow trucks were dispatched Wednesday and Thursday in response to a winter storm that moved through the County Wednesday. Maintainers started cleaning roads midmorning Wednesday and were vastly done by the end of the day Thursday. Elevated winds on Friday generated blowing some that drifted across roadways in areas. Plow trucks were sent out Saturday morning to clear drifted snow and treat with material.

Another winter storm moved through the County on Monday. Snow started to accumulate around sunrise. Plow trucks were dispatched midmorning to clear roadways. Due to the significant temperature drop forecasted; straight sand was used to reduce to likelihood of creating an ice glaze.

Long term forecasts show a warming trend after this cold week. The department is going to coordinate with REC to temporarily relocate the overhead electric line for the Tingley 27 project.

All existing easements are believed to have been found for the Jefferson 26 project. With this the department is going to finalize the need lines. Once finalized the department will coordinate with the IDOT Location and Environment Bureau, and work to obtain proposals for a Phase II Archeology Study. This work cannot be completed until the ground is thawed.

The department is analyzing a box culvert and bridge option for the Union 13 project.

The department is working to complete the rebar list to send out estimates for the Washington 10 project.

The preliminary size indicated for the Middle Fork 7 project is a twin 10x8 RCBC. The department is working to complete the rebar list to send out for estimates.

Treasurer Debra Cannon met with the Board to review the January month end report for her department. The Board moved forward with approval.

Auditor Amanda Waske met with the Board to review the January month end report for her department. The Board moved forward with approval.

Auditor Waske went on to present two resolutions for consideration of approval. They reference the bond process for the WRD Landfill, that again, the county is serving as fiscal agent for. Revenue will come from the landfill to make the payment for the bond. The Board moved forward with approval of a resolution consenting to financing plan for Wayne-Ringgold-Decatur County Solid Waste Management Commission and approval of a resolution to set the date for a public hearing on proposal to enter into a General Obligation Landfill Loan Agreement and to borrow money thereunder.

The Board reviewed claims to be paid Wednesday, February 19.

The Board recessed at noon for lunch.

The Board returned at 1:00 p.m. and entered the budget workshop with Auditor Amanda Waske.

RESOLUTION RC25-32

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve the Treasurer's January month end report as presented by Treasurer Debra Cannon. THEREFORE, a motion was made by Knapp and seconded by Holmes stating such. The vote on the resolution: AYES: Unanimous. NAYS: None. ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved February 18, 2025.

RESOLUTION RC25-33

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve the Auditor's January month end report as presented by Auditor Amanda Waske. THEREFORE, a motion was made by Holmes and seconded by Knapp stating such. The vote on the resolution: AYES: Unanimous. NAYS: None. ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved February 18, 2025.

RESOLUTION RC25-34

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors (the "Board") of Ringgold County, Iowa (the "County") has authorized and executed a certain Intergovernmental Agreement Creating the Wayne-Ringgold-Decatur County Solid Waste Management Commission (the "28E Agreement") pursuant to Chapter 28E of the Code of Iowa, and the members of the 28E Agreement (including the County) are Wayne County, Decatur County, and the Cities of Lamoni, Leon, Davis City, Garden Grove, Van Wert, Decatur City, Grand River,

Weldon, Pleasanton, LeRoy, Mount Ayr, Diagonal, Kellerton, Tingley, Redding, Ellston, Maloy, Beaconsfield, Benton, Humeston, Allerton, Lineville, and Clio (collectively, the “Members”); and

WHEREAS, the terms of the 28E Agreement provide for the creation of the Wayne-Ringgold-Decatur County Solid Waste Management Commission (the “Commission”) for the purposes of providing for the economic transport, processing, and disposal of all solid waste produced within the jurisdictional area of the Members of the Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has authority pursuant to the 28E Agreement and Chapter 28F of the Code of Iowa to issue revenue bonds and interim financing notes to pay the costs of projects undertaken by the Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has proposed to undertake the acquisition of equipment and the construction of improvements for the disposal of solid waste, including the Commission’s landfill improvements (the “Projects”); and

WHEREAS, a financing plan (the “Financing Plan”) has been prepared and submitted to the Commission for review for the funding of the Projects; and

WHEREAS, the Financing Plan includes: (1) the issuance by the County of its General Obligation Landfill Bonds (the “General Obligation Bonds”) in a principal amount not to exceed \$2,200,000; and (2) the execution of a revenue disbursement agreement (the “Revenue Agreement”) between the Commission and the County covering revenue payments by the Commission to the County in an amount equal to the principal and interest to be paid on the General Obligation Bonds, plus reasonable administrative fees and expenses to compensate the County for its issuance and maintenance of those Bonds, and the execution and delivery of other related documents; and

WHEREAS, it is now necessary for the Board to take action to approve the Financing Plan, the issuance of the General Obligation Bonds and the execution of the Revenue Agreement and other related documents;

NOW, THEREFORE, It Is Hereby Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Ringgold County, Iowa, as follows:

Section 1. The County hereby approves the undertaking of the Projects and the Financing Plan.

Section 2. The County’s issuance of the General Obligation Bonds, as described in the Financing Plan and the preamble hereof, is hereby acknowledged and the County hereby reaffirms its intent to use best efforts to undertake the authorization and issuance of the General Obligation Bonds.

Section 3. The execution by the Commission of the Revenue Agreement, as described in the Financing Plan and the preamble hereof, is hereby approved pursuant to Chapter 28F of the Code of Iowa. The Commission’s fulfillment of its payment obligations to the County under the Revenue Agreement is hereby approved.

Section 4. All resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve the resolution consenting to financing plan for Wayne-Ringgold-Decatur County Solid Waste Management Commission (payable by WRD Landfill).

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

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

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved February 18, 2025.

RESOLUTION RC25–35

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Ringgold County, Iowa (the “County”), proposes to enter into a loan agreement (the “Loan Agreement”) and to borrow money thereunder in a principal amount not to exceed \$2,200,000, pursuant to the provisions of

Sections 331.402 and 331.441(2)(b)(4) of the Code of Iowa, for the purpose of paying the cost, to that extent, of acquiring equipment and constructing improvements for the disposal of solid waste, including Wayne-Ringgold-Decatur County Solid Waste Management Commission Landfill improvements (the "Project"), and it is now necessary to fix a date of meeting of this Board at which it is proposed to take action on the proposal to enter into the Loan Agreement and to give notice thereof as required by such law;

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Ringgold County, Iowa, as follows:

Section 1. The Board shall meet on March 3, 2025, at the Courthouse, Mounty Ayr, Iowa, at 10 o'clock a.m., at which time and place a hearing will be held and proceedings will be instituted and action taken to enter into the Loan Agreement.

Section 2. The County Auditor is hereby directed to give notice of the proposed action on the Loan Agreement setting forth the amount and purpose thereof, the time when and place where the said meeting will be held by publication at least once, not less than four (4) and not more than twenty (20) days before the date of said meeting, in a legal newspaper which has a general circulation in the County. The notice shall be in substantially the following form: NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION TO INSTITUTE PROCEEDINGS TO ENTER INTO A LOAN AGREEMENT AND TO BORROW MONEY THEREUNDER IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,200,000 (GENERAL OBLIGATION)

The Board of Supervisors of Ringgold County, Iowa, will meet on March 3, 2025, at the Courthouse Board Room, Mounty Ayr, Iowa, at 10:00 a.m., for the purpose of instituting proceedings and taking action to enter into a loan agreement (the "Loan Agreement") and to borrow money thereunder in a principal amount not to exceed \$2,200,000 for the purpose of paying the cost, to that extent, of acquiring equipment and constructing improvements for the disposal of solid waste, including Wayne-Ringgold-Decatur County Solid Waste Management Commission (the "Commission") Landfill improvements.

The Loan Agreement is proposed to be entered into, and bonds will be issued thereunder, pursuant to authority contained in Sections 331.402 and 331.441(2)(b)(4) of the Code of Iowa. The Loan Agreement and the bonds will constitute general obligations of the County.

It is estimated the annual increase in property taxes on a residential property with an actual valuation of one hundred thousand dollars resulting from the County entering into the Loan Agreement will be \$15.81, however the Board of Supervisors may determine for any fiscal year while the Loan Agreement is outstanding to budget other available revenues, including anticipated principal and interest payments from the Commission, to the payment of some or all of the debt service coming due thereunder.

At that time and place, oral or written objections may be filed or made to the proposal to enter into the Loan Agreement. After receiving objections, the County may determine to enter into the Loan Agreement, in which case, the decision will be final unless appealed to the District Court within fifteen (15) days thereafter.

By order of the Board of Supervisors of Ringgold County, Iowa.

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve setting the date for a public hearing on proposal to enter into a General Obligation Landfill Loan Agreement and to borrow money thereunder (payable by WRD Landfill) as stated above. THEREFORE, a motion was made by Holmes and seconded by Knapp stating such.

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

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved February 18, 2025.

RESOLUTION RC25-36

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve claims to be paid Wednesday, February 19, 2025.

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

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

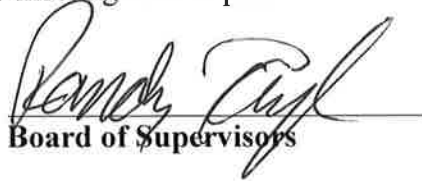
ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved February 18, 2025.

The Board tabled approval of minutes.

Holmes excused himself at 3pm.

There was no further business. A motion was made by Knapp and seconded by Taylor to adjourn the meeting at 3:10 p.m.

ATTEST:


Board of Supervisors


Ringgold County Auditor