

Ringgold County Board of Supervisors Minutes September 15, 2025

The Ringgold County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Monday, September 15, 2025. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M. with the following members present: Randy Taylor, Colby Holmes, and Steve Knapp.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Holmes, seconded by Knapp, to approve the agenda as presented.

AYES: Taylor, Holmes, Knapp

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Engineer's Report – Jared Johnson

The tractors and mowers were out working in the northwestern and south-central portions of the County.

Chip rock for patching operations was stockpiled in the yard.

The County fulfilled the agreement with the City of Ellston and bladed the town streets.

The total patcher was out working in the southern part of the County. The total patcher will continue to be out this week making roadway repairs.

The crew has completed shouldering along P27 and portions of J23 in the northwest part of the County.

Work Order Update:

W.O. 1381: Replace deteriorated 8' multi-plate culvert with new 10' RR Tanker. Inlet and outlet were armored with revetement. Located along 140th Ave between J23 and 150th Street. (Complete) The existing multi-plate culvert has been removed from the site.

W.O. 1388: Clear trees/brush and reshape roadside for approximately 0.80 miles. Located south and east from the intersection of 140th Street and 160th Ave. (In Progress)

W.O. 1382: Clear trees/brush and reshape roadside for approximately 0.2 miles. Located along 280th Ave between 180th and 190th Streets. (Complete)

W.O. 1367: Repair damaged inlet of large diameter multi-plate culvert. Repair will consist of removing a portion of the damaged section, pouring concrete cutoff wall, and armoring culvert inlet with revetment. Located along 170th Ave between 190th and 210th Streets. (In Progress)

Jefferson 26 project update: The department received an update the Bear Creek Archaeology will be onsite the week of the 22nd to complete the field work.

Washington 10 project update: Last week the crew finished forming and tying reinforcing steel for the upstream interior barrel section, poured the upstream interior barrel section, stripped wall forms from the upstream interior barrel section, formed the walls and installed slab joists for the downstream interior barrel section.

This week it is planned to finish tying reinforcing steel and forming the downstream interior barrel section, pour the downstream interior barrel section, strip forms from the downstream interior barrel section, tie wall reinforcing steel for the downstream end barrel section and headwall, begin to form the downstream end barrel section and headwall.

Globe Life – Randi Rachelle Anderson

Anderson met with the Board to review a supplemental benefits program they would like to offer employees. Open enrollment begins in May each year, so Anderson said she would circle back with the county in April 2026.

Treasurer’s Report – Debra Cannon

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

Peggy Whitson Rock – Ken Robertson

Ken Robertson met with the Board to discuss the maintenance of the Peggy Whitson rock on the courthouse lawn. Robertson talked to Bubba Sorenson about the rock and possible repainting as some of the paint is coming off. Sorenson said it would cost roughly \$5,000 to repaint the rock. Sorenson went on to add that the longevity of the paint would be extended if the rock was under a covered structure. Robertson stated he currently has funds to cover the cost to repaint but asked the Board if they could cover the cost to install a structure over the rock. He suggested something similar to what Diagonal put up over the rock by the Diagonal Community Building. The Board understands the need and supports the project; they are just unsure of how to fund it at this time. The Board is willing to work with the Ringgold Outdoor Alliance to formulate a plan. Robertson will discuss with his group and return to the Board to review further.

Various Updates – Auditor Amanda Waske

- Reviewed the August month end report for her department. The Board moved forward with approval.
- The Board approved the FY25 audit agreement with audit firm Forvis Mazars.
- The Board tabled approval of claims.
- The Board moved forward with approval of the School Resource Officer agreement with Mount Ayr Community School District. Sheriff Rob Haley and Attorney Mike Wells were both present to discuss the agreement. Knapp is in full support of the program. Both Taylor and Holmes fully support the agreement as well but questioned how to pay for the added position. Haley explained that the primary

purpose of the position is to build rapport with the students and provide education on various topics such as opioids, social media, etc., while of course providing for another layer of security in the schools. Attorney Mike Wells will coordinate a similar agreement with Diagonal Community School District and present it to the Board for approval at a later meeting.

- The Board reviewed the first proposed budget amendment for FY26. Included in the proposed amendment are insurance funds to wrap up the storm damage project from last Spring, recognizing the WRD Landfill bond payment proceeds/payments for the year, the hiring of a School Resource Officer and prior year budgeted contribution for the Mount Ayr swimming pool project. The hearing is set for September 29th at 10am.

RESOLUTION RC25-122

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve the Treasurer's August month end report.

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

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

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved September 15, 2025.

RESOLUTION RC25-123

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve the Auditor's August month end report.

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

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

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved September 15, 2025.

RESOLUTION RC25-124

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve the FY25 audit agreement with Forvis Mazars.

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

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

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved September 15, 2025.

RESOLUTION RC25-125

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve the School Resource Officer Agreement with Mount Ayr Community School District.

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

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

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved September 15, 2025.

RESOLUTION RC25-126

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve the proposed FY26 budget amendment.

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

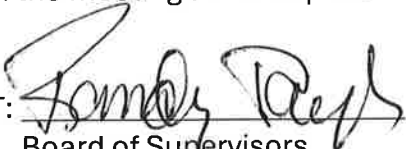
The vote on the resolution: AYES: Unanimous. NAYS: None.

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved September 15, 2025.

The Board tabled approval of the minutes.

There was no further business. A motion was made by Knapp and seconded by Holmes to adjourn the meeting at 12:35 p.m.

ATTEST:


Board of Supervisors


Ringgold County Auditor