

## **Ringgold County Board of Supervisors Minutes**

### **September 29, 2025**

The Ringgold County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Monday, September 29, 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 Knapp, seconded by Holmes, to approve the agenda as presented.

AYES: Taylor, Holmes, Knapp

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

#### **Engineer's Report – Jared Johnson**

The tractor and mower was out working in the southeastern portion of the county.

Farm to Market rock was hauled to the south-central maintainer district.

The total patcher was out working to repair potholes and deteriorated areas. The remainder of the oil on hand was used up, and the machine was cleaned and prepared for storage.

The crew started working to remove a large drift pile at bridge Liberty 20.

The crew worked to install 911 address signs.

#### **Work Order Update:**

W.O. 1384: Clean ditch for approximately 500'. Ditched material was placed in the adjacent field. Located along 110<sup>th</sup> Street between 110<sup>th</sup> and 120<sup>th</sup> Ave. (Complete)

W.O. 1392: Repair large diameter culvert that is undermined. Work on channel alignment at inlet and place revetment at inlet and outlet. Pump grout to repair void under the culvert. Located on the dead-end portion of 110<sup>th</sup> Street west of 130<sup>th</sup> Ave. (In Progress)

Jefferson 26 project update: Field work was completed last week.

Washington 10 project update: Last week the crew finished tying reinforcing steel and forming the downstream end barrel section and headwall, poured the downstream end barrel section and headwall, striped forms from the downstream end barrel section and headwall, and worked to get ready for the upstream end barrel section and headwall.

This week it is planned to finish tying reinforcing steel and forming the upstream end barrel section and headwall, pour the upstream end barrel section and headwall, strip forms from the upstream end barrel section and headwall, and work on site cleanup.

Diagonal sidewalk project update: The final audit for the project was held last week. No major findings were discovered during the audit. The department will work on the corrective actions noted during the audit.

The Board approved the requested road closure of J20 through the town of Tingley for their annual Halloween event on October 25<sup>th</sup>.

### **FY26 Budget Amendment Hearing**

At 10:05 a.m. Knapp made a motion to open the public hearing for the FY26 proposed budget amendment. Second by Holmes. Motion carried. Those present include Mount Ayr Record News staff Jennifer Kellner and Jeff Snyder. One letter of objection was received from resident Kevin Kilgore. The Board reviewed briefly the proposed amendment and its purpose. No questions were presented. At 10:30 a.m. Knapp moved to close the public hearing. Second by Holmes. Motion carried. The Board moved forward with approval of the proposed amendment.

### **Emergency Management Director Update – Melissia Stark**

Stark met with the Board to discuss a countywide storm siren project. She is seeking grant funds to assist with the cost of constructing additional sirens throughout the county. She is actively working with each city and her Board to determine locations for towers. Each tower includes a solar backup and will connect to the dispatch center. There is a 15% cost share requirement per structure for the grant application. She hopes to have the data gathered within the next few months. Knapp questioned who would be responsible for paying for the towers outside of city limits. It was explained that all costs could go through the Emergency Management budget, for example. An amendment would need to occur to account for match proceeds from each city as well as the grant revenue and then the expense to construct the towers. Stark stated she hopes to have the new towers in place ahead of the 2026 storm season.

### **Weed Commissioner Program Update - Tim Sulzner**

Sulzner stated his goal this year was to learn the program, budget process and roads system in the county. He would like to recommend the program be over four months – May, June, August and September; taking July off. This would provide for a better approach to mitigation and compliance. Sulzner reported he completed the certification process, too. He plans to attend the conference in February.

### **Auditor Department Updates – Amanda Waske**

Waske presented the Board with claims to review. The Board moved forward with approval. She went on to present the Board with proposed changes to the Safety Manual. The recommended changes have been approved by the County Safety Committee. There is just one minor change, noting that any verbal warning will be documented and filed in personnel files. This recommended change aligns with that in the employee handbook. The Board moved forward with approval.

**RESOLUTION RC25-129**

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve closing a portion of J20 through Tingley on October 25<sup>th</sup> for Halloween festivities.

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

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

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved September 29, 2025.

**RESOLUTION RC25-130**

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve the proposed FY26 budget amendment as presented by Auditor Amanda Waske.

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

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

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved September 29, 2025.

**RESOLUTION RC25-131**

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve claims to be paid Wednesday, October 1.

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

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

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved September 29, 2025.

**RESOLUTION RC25-132**

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve the Safety Manual as presented.

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

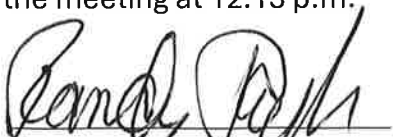
The vote on the resolution: AYES: Unanimous. NAYS: None.

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved September 29, 2025.

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

There was no further business. A motion was made by Knapp and seconded by Holmes to adjourn the meeting at 12:13 p.m.

ATTEST:

  
Board of Supervisors

  
Ringgold County Auditor