

Ringgold County Board of Supervisors Minutes

March 3, 2026

The Ringgold County Board of Supervisors met in regular session Tuesday, March 3, 2026. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M with the following members present Colby Holmes, Randy Taylor and Steve Knapp.

A motion was made by Taylor, second by Knapp to approve the agenda.

AYES: Unanimous NAYS: None

Engineer Jared Johnson met with the Board to provide secondary roads updates. The excavator and grinder were out working in the northwest maintainer district.

The skid loader brush grinder was out working in the south central and southeast maintainer districts.

A tractor and mower were working to manage roadside brush in the north central and northwest maintainer districts.

The crew worked to stockpile chips for the upcoming, J55, Blockton-Redding Road, seal coat project.

With favorable conditions the crew removed and replaced two more concrete patches along J23 between Clearfield and Diagonal.

Maintainers have been out working on some dirt roads and localized gravel areas.

Spot rock was hauled to the northwest maintainer district.

With a winter storm forecasted for Sunday into Monday, trucks were readied for winter operations.

Work order updates:

W.O. 1434: Replace deteriorated 24" CMP culvert with new 24" ADS culvert. Located along 170th Street between HWY 169 and 240th Ave. (Complete)

W.O. 1417: Clear brush and reshape ditch area for approximately 1 mile. Located along 170th Street and 240th Ave south and west from the 170th Street and 240th Ave intersection. (Complete)

The department has received the final Phase II Report for the Jefferson 26 Project. The report recommends no further investigation or avoidance for work south of J23. However north of J23, with only a small portion of former town of Knowlton investigated recommendation for eligibility for the Register of Historic Places is complicated. If later, more investigations are conducted in the area; the findings of this investigation could be supportive for eligibility for the Register of Historic

Places. The report recommends mitigation or avoidance for work north of J23. The department is working with the Location and Environment bureau on how to proceed. Due to the involvement of public recreational lands with the project, the Bureau of Location and Environment request proof of public involvement in order to meet the De Minimis requirements. The department provided ATURA meeting minutes, agenda, and proof of publication for the meeting.

A March 9th local letting has been set for the Middle Fork 7 project. This project was advertised in last week's publication of the official local papers.

NEPA review has been completed for the P27 South project. No special conditions have been assigned to the project. The department is now able to begin the check plan phase of development. The department proposes following the developmental schedule for the P33 project so these projects can be tied together at letting and improve project bidding.

Last week the IDOT District 4 Engineer visited the office to discuss Ringgold County's safety action plan with respect to interaction with the primary road system. Destination lighting was discussed. Destination lighting may not have been recommended for all intersections in the safety action plan, however the District 4 Engineer is supportive of lighting.

It appears the announcement of funding the P33 resurfacing project awarded through the Community Project Fund application will be scheduled in the upcoming months. We have responded with our availability. Currently the announcement is scheduled for July 9th. This is later than anticipated. The department plans to discuss funding timeline vs project development and construction schedule with Representative Nunn's Office. The department submitted the concept statement and required supporting documentation for the project. The concept statement has been approved by the IDOT and sent on to the Bureau of Location and Environment to begin the NEAP and SHPO review. SHPO (cultural resources) clearance has been received for the project.

The department has completed the hydraulic analysis for the Poe 17 project site. The drainage area is too large for a box culvert option at this site. The department recommends replacement with a 90'-0 x 26' CCS bridge, 7.5° skew, Lt. ahead. The department will work on final design and plans as time permits.

Jennifer McMillan with Iowa Governmental Health Care Plan met with the Board to review the FY27 health plan renewal. The Board moved forward with approval and authorized Auditor Amanda Waske to sign the renewal documents on their behalf.

Skylar Burdette and Korbie Rinehart with the Ringgold County Historic Preservation Commission met with the Board to review the 2025 Certified Local Government (CLG) Annual Report. The Board moved forward with approval.

Recorder Kisha Martin met with the Board in FY27 budget workshop to discuss various aspects of her proposed budget, including duties, sources of revenue and a proposed wage increase for her department.

Sheriff Rob Haley and Chief Deputy Nathan Nickle met with the Board to discuss the current pharmacy program for the jail. At present, Hy-Vee does not allow the Sheriff's Office to bill Medicaid or Medicare first for inmate medications once an individual is incarcerated. As a result, these costs are paid directly from the Sheriff's budget.

Chief Deputy Nickle proposed entering into a contract with Diamond Pharmacy Services Medical Supply. This program would allow medications to be billed to Medicaid/Medicare when eligible. If coverage is denied, the Sheriff's Office would be billed at a reduced rate. Given the volume of activity in recent months, the potential cost savings to the county could be significant.

The proposed contract includes a provision allowing for termination with written notice after 120 days. It also guarantees medication pricing for five years, with annual increases capped at 3%.

Additional benefits of the program include next-business-day delivery and individually packaged medications, which will help reduce waste and improve efficiency. Unopened medications may also be returned and credited back to the county. The Board with their recommendation to move forward with the proposed agreement.

The Board reviewed claims to be paid Wednesday, March 4 and moved forward with approval.

RESOLUTION RC26-37

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve the FY27 health insurance renewal with Iowa Governmental Health Care Plan and authorize Auditor Amanda Waske to sign renewal documents on their behalf.

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

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

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved March 3, 2026.

RESOLUTION RC26-38

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve the 2025 Certified Local Government Annual Report as presented by Historic Preservation Commission member Skylar Burdette.

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

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

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved March 3, 2026.

RESOLUTION RC26-39

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve to move forward with the agreement with Diamond Pharmacy Services Medical Supply.

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 March 3, 2026.

RESOLUTION RC26-40

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve claims to be paid Wednesday, March 4, 2026.

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

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

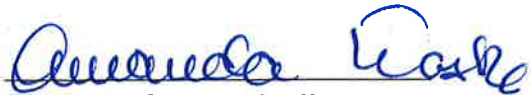
ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved March 3, 2026.

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 12:15 pm.

ATTEST:


Board of Supervisors


Ringgold County Auditor