

Ringgold County Board of Supervisors Minutes

June 9, 2026

The Ringgold County Board of Supervisors met in regular session Tuesday, June 9, 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 Knapp, second by Taylor to approve the agenda.
AYES: Unanimous NAYS: None

Engineer Jared Johnson met with the Board to provide secondary roads updates. The department finished hauling granular surfacing to repair locations that had been overtopped causing loss of surface material and damage to the driving surface.

Tractors and mowers were out working to mow vegetation along paved roadsides and Farm-to-Market gravels. They were out working in the northwestern and southeastern portions of the county.

The department was out working to spray and control noxious weeds.

The crew worked to clear drift and debris that had become lodged in Ringgold County bridge Lotts Creek 16.

Safety training was conducted on three points of contact while climbing.

The total patcher was out working to repair potholes. The total patcher will continue to be out working.

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

Worker order update:

W.O. 1462: Replace deteriorated twin 36" CMP culverts with single 48" ADS culvert. The culvert was armored with broken concrete revetment. Located along 310th Street between 190th Ave and P38. (Complete)

To avoid all historically sensitive sites on the north side of the road at the Jefferson 26 project site, a 4' out of alignment adjusted was made. This is over a distance of 1300'. Deflection angles between the tangents were less than 1.5 degrees and do not require any horizontal curves. The revised alignment was submitted to cultural resources with the IDOT for review. The IDOT completed their review and were satisfied with the revisions made. They also stated that in situations like this where disturbance will be close to sensitive areas, the protected areas are fenced off with safety fence. The department agreed to this. The IDOT has sent the project to the

State Historic Preservation Society for Review and Comment. There is a 30-day comment period.

The department received the preliminary delineation results for the Union 13 project, and the only wetlands determined were located at the extreme southeast limits of the project. Less than .01 acres were determined to be impacted by the project. The department proposed refining the project limits to avoid all wetland impacts. The revised project limits were sent to Eocene for inclusion in the final report.

Last week at the Middle Fork 10 site, the crew finished driving all piling (permanent and temporary), the hammer was broke down and hauled off site, construction materials were hauled to the site, the east abutment was laid out and front face form placed, started to drill holes for the falsework brackets at the permanent piers, started to cut off the falsework piling, the site was readied for forecasted heavy rain. This week weather permitting, it is planned to form and pour the east abutment, begin forming the west abutment, continue working to cutoff falsework piling, drill the remainder of the holes for the brackets at permanent piers.

With no responsive bidders for the Poe17 project, the Board moved forward constructing the project with local forces. The department is working to procure materials for the project.

County Engineer Johnson discussed with the Board the new law taking effect July 1, which increases the default speed limit on secondary roads to 60 mph. Johnson explained that no action is required if the Board wishes to follow the new statutory speed limit. However, if the Board chooses to maintain the current speed limit of 55 mph, a resolution will need to be adopted. Johnson further noted that, should the Board elect to retain the 55-mph speed limit, new signage would need to be purchased and installed to reflect the lower speed limit, as it would differ from the state standard.

The Board reviewed a proposed data center moratorium drafted by County Attorney Wells. Supervisors discussed several revisions they would like to see, including removing references to battery storage systems and zoning requirements, as Ringgold County does not have zoning regulations. Auditor Waske will work with County Attorney Wells on the requested changes and present a revised draft at the next meeting. The Board also set a public hearing on the proposed moratorium for Monday, June 29, at 6:00 p.m. in the Assembly Room of the Ringgold County Courthouse. Official notice of the hearing will be published next week.

The Board performed the Canvass of the June 2, 2026, Primary Election.

The Board reviewed and approved the alcohol permit for Gettin' Slushed South of 35.

The Board reviewed claims from May 27th and June 10th and moved forward with approval.

RESOLUTION RC26-93

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve setting a public hearing date of June 29, 2026, at 6pm in the assembly room of the courthouse to allow for public comment on a temporary moratorium for data centers.

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 June 9, 2026.

RESOLUTION RC26-94

WHEREAS, the PRIMARY ELECTION was held as prescribed by law on June 2, 2026, and;

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors and *ex officio* Board of Canvassers have canvassed the vote of said election in accordance with §43.49 and §50.24 of the *Code of Iowa*, now therefore;

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that we, the undersigned members of the Board of Supervisors and *ex officio* Board of Canvassers of Ringgold County, Iowa, do hereby certify the following TURNOUT REPORT and RESULTS in the PRIMARY ELECTION, held June 2, 2026, and that no obvious clerical errors were identified during the canvass.

Six-hundred twenty-seven (**627**) people voted at the polls on election day.

One hundred seventy-four (**174**) absentee ballots were accepted for counting.

No provisional ballots were accepted for counting (included in absentee total).

A total of Eight-hundred and one (**801**) people voted.

CANDIDATES NOMINATED FOR COUNTY OFFICES:

Board of Supervisors: Randy Taylor

County Treasurer: Debra A. Cannon

County Recorder: Kisha Martin

County Attorney: Michael Wells

COUNTY OFFICES WITHOUT A PARTY NOMINEE:

Democratic Party: Board of Supervisors; County Treasurer; County Recorder;

County Attorney

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve the Certification (Canvass) of the Primary Election results.

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 June 9, 2026.

RESOLUTION RC26-95

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve the alcohol permit for Gettin' Slushed South of 35, LLC.

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 June 9, 2026.

RESOLUTION RC26-96

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve claims paid Wednesday, May 27, 2026, and Wednesday, June 10, 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 June 9, 2026.

A motion was made by Knapp, second by Taylor 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 12:01 p.m.

ATTEST:

Board of Supervisors


Ringgold County Auditor