

Ringgold County Board of Supervisors Minutes April 29, 2019

The Ringgold County Board of Supervisors met in regular session Monday, April 29, 2019. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. with the following members present: Kraig Pennington, Lyle Minnick, and Ron Landphair

A motion was made by Lyle Minnick and seconded by Ron Landphair to approve the agenda. AYES: Unanimous. NAYS: None.

The Board moved forward with proclaiming May as Mental Health Month.

The Board recessed at 11:45 a.m. for lunch

At 1:00 p.m. the Board returned to meet with Road Superintendent Rod Shields and Assistant to Engineer Justin Frost. The group reviewed the written update provided by Interim Engineer Don Staley. Survey work on the 110th street project is complete. Preliminary design of the culvert is underway, Staley reported. He is finding, based on research, a smaller diameter culvert will achieve the same results, allowing for a lower profile, saving construction material.

Staley and Frost are working with Calhoun Burn and Associates on the Riley 12 Bridge project. They found a contract is in place for this project with them. Therefore, the County may not be able to move forward with Foth Engineering as originally recommended by Staley. Because the bridge deck is in very good shape, Staley is working with Calhoun Burns to save cost between building a new bridge and retrofitting the existing bridge. Staley prepared a drawing of his proposal and is awaiting feedback from Calhoun Burns.

The work on the closeout of the Perkins and Gregg twin box culverts continues by Frost, Staley reported.

Frost reviewed the Board the process for applying for RISE funding for the 240th street project. Frost is seeking the immediate funding option due to the nature of the project. He is working to gather information to submit the application. If awarded, fifty percent is received immediately. Then, within a year or two the remaining balance will be distributed based on business the district surrounding the road generates.

Shields informed the Board there are construction issues with P68, south of Kellerton. He is meeting with DOT Engineer Brian Moore and former county engineer on the project, Travis Malone to determine what the issue is with the material and determine steps needed to correct the issue to avoid long-term deteriorations. Shields suspects it has to do with the oil that was used; it did not appear to be heavier than what is traditionally used. Shields stated there are about five large holes throughout the road. The crew may use the total patcher to repair these areas for now to allow for safety.

Shields mentioned he is going to obtain a road grinding machine to move forward with tearing up 130th street and 300th Ave around Sun Valley as well as portions of P68 north of Kellerton. He hopes to begin this week. Then, following July 1st resurfacing will begin.

Pennington questioned going over P68 south with another layer of seal coat. Shields would like to consult with the DOT Engineer that initially assisted with the project beforehand.

Shields reported three pipes were placed last week and the crew continues this week with replacement. The total patcher will also be out this week.

Frost reviewed with the Board a road, 160th street, that has been requested to vacate south of Jack Stephens, north of Diagonal near the Maple Leaf Pathway. Frost will follow procedures to begin the process of road vacation.

The Board reviewed a resolution needed for the RISE application for the 240th street project and moved forward with approval.

RESOLUTION RC19-84

WHEREAS, mental health is essential to everyone's overall health and well-being; and
WHEREAS, all Americans experience times of difficulty and stress in their lives; and
WHEREAS, prevention is an effective way to reduce the burden of mental health conditions; and
WHEREAS, there is a strong research that animal companionship, humor, spirituality, religion, recreation, social connections, and work-life balance can help all Americans protect their health and well-being; and

WHEREAS, mental health conditions are real and prevalent in our nation; and

WHEREAS, with effective treatment, those individuals with mental health and other chronic health conditions can recover and lead full, productive lives; and

WHEREAS, each business, school, government agency, healthcare provider, organization and citizen share the burden of mental health problems and has a responsibility to promote mental wellness and support prevention efforts.

THEREFORE, we the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors, do hereby proclaim May 2019 as Mental Health Month in Ringgold County, IA. As the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors, we also call upon the citizens, government agencies, public and private institutions, businesses and schools in Ringgold County to recommit our community to increasing awareness and understanding of mental health, the steps our citizens can take to protect their mental health, and the need for appropriate and accessible services for all people with mental health conditions

THEREFORE, a motion was made by Ron Landphair and seconded by Lyle Minnick stating such.

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

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved April 29, 2019.

RESOLUTION RC19-85

WHEREAS, the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors endorse the 240th street project; and

WHEREAS, an immediate opportunity exists for job retention in Ringgold County; and

WHEREAS, RISE funding is essential in the job retention effort; and

WHEREAS, an immediate RISE commitment is needed to assist with cost of the project. By diverting county funds from the 240th street project, those dollars could go towards the repair of more than 30 culverts and over 20 closed bridges in the county; and

WHEREAS, 240th street in Poe Township will be dedicated to public use; and

WHEREAS, Ringgold County has jurisdictional responsibility and therefore will be adequately maintained by the secondary roads department; and

THEREFORE, a motion was made by Lyle Minnick and seconded by Ron Landphair approving the 240th street project, RISE funding application.

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

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved April 29, 2019.

A motion was made by Lyle Minnick and seconded by Ron Landphair to approve the minutes.

