

Ringgold County Board of Supervisors Minutes July 8, 2019

The Ringgold County Board of Supervisors met in regular session Monday, July 8, 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 Minnick second by Landphair to approve the agenda.
AYES: Unanimous NAYS: None

The Board met with Engineer Jared Johnson and Assistant to Engineer Justin Frost for secondary roads updates. Johnson reported they are still waiting on Calhoun & Burns for the proposed right-of-way limits on the 110th street project. The west span was removed on the Riley 12 bridge and the crew began building piling rack. The bridge crew will stand up and drive pile at the west abutment and pier this week, Johnson said. The bid bond has been released on the Perkins box. Interim Engineer, Don Staley, has signed and returned the bid bond release for the Gregg box and will be mailed out today.

The crew was out mowing and spraying last week, Johnson said and continues this week. The low water crossing was also completed on 325th ave south of 190th street, he added.

A FEMA conference is scheduled for this afternoon to discuss preliminary findings and schedule a recovery scope meeting. Damage survey reports are being prepared and submitted for the NRCS EWP funds.

With regard to the Sun Valley seal coat project, the initial thought to rail in quartzite surface material via BNSF and LG Everist to Gavilon in Creston fell through. Pennington asked Johnson his opinion on utilizing the quartzite as opposed to the traditional base. Johnson feels it may not be as cost effective to go with the quartzite, due to travel time and the added cost of the material. While this is better rock, Johnson stated the life span of a seal coat road would still be 7-10 years, or so. Johnson is researching the option of purchasing clean chips from the quarry in Centerville.

J23 west of Diagonal, between P27 and State Highway 25, will be closed on Thursday for a patching project. The project is slated to be complete that day, Johnson said. Traffic will then be restricted to one lane with flaggers on Friday to complete three other smaller patches at pavement joints on J23.

Pennington questioned the status of the tree concern in Tingley on Jeremy Weeda's property. Johnson said he would like to verify the right-of-way through town. It is the recommendation of the Board to solicit quotes on removing the tree by outside forces. Johnson said he would research this and move forward accordingly.

Pennington questioned if a pipe on hand would fit a closed bridge site north of Mount Ayr. The bridge in question was brought to the Board's attention by Mark and Janelle Baker at the Q & A session in Tingley on June 25th. Johnson will look into this. Pennington clarified this is not a current priority but would like to plan accordingly.

John Kiburz and Landi Livingston met with the Board to discuss a concern with a bridge on 240th ave (north of 110th street) that has a weight restriction. This severely restricts their daily operations, they said. Pennington added it is their hope that the bridge can be converted to a culvert and that all work can be done when the crew is working to upgrade 110th street, since the equipment will be nearby.

Livingston questioned whose responsibility it is to clear trees in ditches. The Board responded it is the county's responsibility. Livingston stated they are working to maintain ditches on their property, between spraying and clearing. Pennington added the county forces are making their way around the county; however, it will take some time.

Livingston questioned the timeframe on upgrading 110th street. The group provided an update in that they are waiting on Calhoun & Burns to finalize the plans so the county can move forward with right of way purchase.

On 255th ave, there is a large mud hole on the dirt road, prohibiting access to their cattle, Livingston said. It was recommended a maintainer simply reshape the road to allow for adequate drying.

Minnick excused himself at 10:25 a.m.

RESOLUTION RC19-121

WHEREAS, the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve a utility permit with Windstream.

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

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

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved July 8, 2019.

A motion was made by Landphair, second by Pennington to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

There was no further business. A motion was made by Landphair and seconded by Pennington to adjourn the meeting at 11:53 a.m.

ATTEST:


Board of Supervisors Chairman


Ringgold County Auditor