

Ringgold County Board of Supervisors Minutes September 16, 2019

The Ringgold County Board of Supervisors met in regular session Monday, September 16, 2019. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M by Lyle Minnick 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

Engineer Jared Johnson met with the Board to provide secondary roads updates. With regards to the 110th street project, last week the crew cleared and grubbed the site. Ditch cuts were started on the east end, Johnson said. The plan is to construct the east end first to maintain access to the house from the west. The phase I archeological review was completed and found no significant findings, he added.

The Riley 12 bridge project is now complete. Johnson anticipates opening the road this week, he said.

The crew has been out with the total patcher. Currently the crew is working on P27 south. The patcher will be out covering all of the paved roads in an effort to repair all pot holes before winter, Johnson reported. Mowers have been working on paved roads, too. They started in the NW part of the county, working on P33, P27 and J23. One mower is also out mowing grader territories.

The department is finishing up submittals for FEMA project number 109352, a self-certification of all work that has been 100% completed.

The group continues the search for an interim County Engineer to assist with the federally funded bridge dollars allotted to the county. Per DOT guidelines, in the absence of a Professional Engineer, a county is required to obtain the assistance of an adjoining county. While Ringgold County has an engineer on Board, Jared Johnson, he does not have his Professional Engineer's license yet.

County Attorney Clint Spurrier has finished with the preparation of the easements and transfer of jurisdiction paperwork for the road vacation on 130th street at Sun Valley Lake. The department will be sending out letters to the adjacent landowners on the east end of 130th Street to make them aware of the jurisdiction. A resolution to set a date for a public hearing and a public hearing will need to be held to complete this process. Auditor Waske will work with County Attorney Spurrier on this process.

The crew moved equipment in last week to the Liberty 19 bridge project and cleared the site. They removed guardrail and panel bolts along with the grout at the abutments and pier, Johnson said. This week they will begin to remove the existing precast panels.

Johnson reviewed with the Board a bid for a fuel inventory system. This will allow for more efficiency in the department and eliminate the need for the crew to track fuel usage separately. All data will be monitored through the engineer's office. Johnson recommended the Board move forward with the quote from Seneca Companies, with the exception of purchasing additional pumps/hose/nozzle, saving roughly \$8,000, bringing the total to \$24,332. The Board moved forward with approval.

Peter Hayse met with the Board to discuss a right-of-way concern with a new building on his property. Following a right-of-way survey, it was found a portion of his building's piers reside within the county right-of-way. Johnson stated there are two options; move the piers or leave them where they are, ensure the building remains outside of the right-of-way and cover the exposed piers with dirt. Hayse questioned whether guardrail could be put up to cover the post. Hayse said the posts could be put on the inside and would cover up the concrete piers. Johnson was agreeable to that. Pennington questioned the need for a Quick Claim deed to ensure legality of the process. Minnick agreed. Johnson said the land would need to be surveyed and County Attorney Spurrier would have to prepare the paperwork for the deed. Hayse stated he intends to construct the building so no portion overhangs in to the right-of-way. The Board agreed to move forward with the Quick Claim deed process. Johnson will work with the County Attorney on this.

Johnson reported the repair for the dozer was not as significant as suspected and did not need Board approval for repair. Johnson said the dozer is back in commission.

The Board discussed a concern brought to the Board relating to overtime worked at secondary roads during a holiday week. Per county policy, and FLSA laws, holiday hours do not count towards hours worked when computing overtime. This item will be placed on the agenda for next week for further discussion.

Chip Schultz with Northland Securities met with the Board to review the Bond Purchase Agreement for the General Obligation Local Option Sales Tax refunding bonds. Brent Wise was also present for discussion. Wise questioned the need to refinance and not pay off the debt now. He explained, he believes the intent would be to continue the LOST once the jail bonds are paid off. This is a lengthy process, Wise said, and therefore planning needs to occur now on how to move forward with renewal. The Board explained the refinancing being proposed does not extend the bonds, it does however, change the early payoff date to June 2025. Pennington stated they are simply looking at refinancing in an effort to capture a lower interest rate and saving a projected \$88,000 through 2027. Wise questioned what is being paid currently by the LOST dollars. Auditor Waske explained the city revenue and the county revenue are tracked in two separate funds. Per the 28E Agreement, city revenue is strictly used for 50% of the principal and interest payments for the jail bonds. The county portion of the LOST is used for the remaining 50% of the payment, as well as jail related expenses, per the approved 2010 ballot language. Also, per the 28E Agreement, the balance of the city LOST fund never exceeds \$500,000, Waske explained. The Board moved forward with approval of the bond purchase agreement.

The Board moved forward with setting the final two hearing dates for the proposed ATV Ordinance with the option of waiving the final public hearing.

The Board moved forward with approval to close J20 through the city of Tingley on October 26, 2019 for their Halloween festivities.

RESOLUTION RC19-153

WHEREAS, the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors approves the fuel inventory bid from Seneca Companies with an amount not to exceed \$24,332.

THEREFORE, a motion was made by Landphair and seconded by Pennington stating such.

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

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved September 16, 2019.

RESOLUTION RC19-154

WHEREAS, Ringgold County (the "County"), State of Iowa, has previously issued its General Obligation Local Option Sales Tax Bonds, Series 2010, in the amount of \$2,500,000 (the "2010 Bonds"); and

WHEREAS, in the resolution authorizing the issuance of the 2010 Bonds, the County reserved the right to prepay the outstanding balance of the 2010 Bonds (the "Callable 2010 Bonds") in whole or in part on June 1, 2019 or any date thereafter; and

WHEREAS, the County intends to enter into a General Obligation Local Option Sales Tax Refunding Loan Agreement (the "Loan Agreement") and to issue General Obligation Local Option Sales Tax Refunding Bonds (the "Series 2019 Bonds"); and

WHEREAS, it has been proposed that the County enter into the Loan Agreement with Northland Securities, Inc., Minneapolis, MN (the "Underwriter") and issue the Series 2019 Bonds; and

WHEREAS, a Bond Purchase Agreement (the "Bond Purchase Agreement") has been prepared setting forth the terms of the Series 2019 Bonds and the understanding between the County and the Underwriter, and it is now necessary to make provision for the approval of the Bond Purchase Agreement and to authorize the early redemption of the Callable 2010 Bonds;

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Ringgold County, as follows:

Section 1. The Bond Purchase Agreement is hereby approved in substantially the form as presented to this Board. The Chairperson and County Auditor are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver the Bond Purchase Agreement to the Underwriter.

Section 2. UMB Bank, n.a., West Des Moines, Iowa, as Registrar and Paying Agent for the Callable 2010 Bonds, is hereby authorized to take all action necessary to call the Callable 2010 Bonds for redemption as of October 22, 2019 (the "Redemption Date"), and is further authorized and directed to give notice of such redemption by sending notice to each of the registered owners of the Callable 2010 Bonds to be redeemed at the addresses shown on the County's registration books.

Section 3. All resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

THEREFORE, a motion was made by Minnick and seconded by Pennington stating such. The vote on the resolution: AYES: All. NAYS: None.

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved September 16, 2019.

RESOLUTION RC19-155

WHEREAS, the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors approves to set the final two hearings for the proposed ATV Ordinance for Monday, September 23, 2019 at 11:30 a.m. at Tuesday, September 24, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. with the option of waiving the September 24th (third) hearing.

THEREFORE, a motion was made by Landphair and seconded by Minnick stating such. The vote on the resolution: AYES: All. NAYS: None.

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved September 16, 2019.

RESOLUTION RC19-156

WHEREAS, the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors approves to close a portion of J20 through the City of Tingley on October 26, 2019 for their Halloween festivities.

THEREFORE, a motion was made by Minnick and seconded by Landphair stating such. The vote on the resolution: AYES: All. NAYS: None.

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved September 16, 2019.

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

There was no further business. A motion was made by Minnick and seconded by Landphair to adjourn the meeting at 12:29 p.m.

ATTEST:


Board of Supervisors


Amanda Waske
Ringgold County Auditor