

Ringgold County Board of Supervisors Minutes February 24, 2020

The Ringgold County Board of Supervisors met in regular session Monday, February 24, 2020. 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 Pennington to approve the agenda.
AYES: Unanimous NAYS: None

Assistant Engineer Jared Johnson met with the Board to provide secondary roads updates. Spot rock was hauled to localized mud spots. Majority of the work was concentrated in the north central and northeast territories, Johnson reported.

Landphair said he was contacted by a resident in the south-central area of the county requesting gravel for his road as it has not been graveled since he lived there. Johnson said he would take a look.

Pennington questioned when the total patcher would be out. Johnson said it would not be in the near future. Johnson stated he has concerns with moisture and the material not adhering then causing additional issues. He would prefer for it to be warmer.

Rock was stockpiled in the yard for spring shouldering activities. Bridge postings were also completed in the field. After a conversation with Calhoun Burns & Associates (CB&A), they agreed to allow Union 6 to remain open. CB&A will inspect this bridge on a six-month inspection cycle. The county is to look at the bridge after any significant flow event, Johnson said.

Both skid loaders and excavator have been out working on cutting brush. They have been working in the Northwest territory specifically to the northeast and southeast of Diagonal. They are currently working a stretch of 160th Ave and 140th street. Once this is completed the brush cutting crew will be moving to the central territory.

Blademen have been out in their territories cutting brush away from bridge ends and signs.

The crew has been working to repair a severely undermined backwall at Grant 17 which resulted in void in the roadway, Johnson reported. The bridge was closed as a report. The backwall has been excavated out and sheet pile prepared and delivered to the site. The project will consist of driving sheet pile to extend the backwall and then re-anchor the abutment and wings.

The department has been working on the weir layout for the NRCS EWP project. Interim Engineer Don Staley is currently reviewing the weir layout. EOR is still waiting on suitable conditions to conduct their field work. All right of entry agreements have been received, Johnson added.

With regards to the Lincoln 19 bridge project, west pier pile have been driven to final bearing. New caps and cross bracing were installed (some bolting and welding remains to be finished). The crew began to break the crane down and move to the east end.

The Board recessed at noon for lunch.

At 1:00 p.m. the Board met with Eddie Bajric of Access Systems to review a update to the current phone system.

The Board tabled approval of claims.

The Board continued discussions on the FY21 budget and the resolutions required to complete the process. Pennington expressed hesitation with approval due to providing for an increase in wages. The group agrees that the levy for general basic cannot be reduced to \$3.50 and be sustainable each year. Costs continue to increase, yet the levy is to remain the same. In the end, the Board did approve the budget as published.

RESOLUTION RC20-44

WHEREAS, the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve the quote presented by Sheriff Rob Haley from ForSure Roofing & Sheet Metal in the amount of \$13,089.

THEREFORE, a motion was made by Kraig Pennington and seconded by Lyle Minnick stating such.

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

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved February 24, 2020.

RESOLUTION RC20-45

WHEREAS, the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve the addendum to the employee handbook, adding a Recording Policy.

THEREFORE, a motion was made by Kraig Pennington and seconded by Lyle Minnick stating such.

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

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved February 24, 2020.

RESOLUTION RC20-46

WHEREAS, the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve the phone system quote as presented by Eddie Bajric with Access Systems.

THEREFORE, a motion was made by Kraig Pennington and seconded by Lyle Minnick stating such.

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

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved February 24, 2020.

RESOLUTION RC20-47

WHEREAS, the Ringgold County Compensation Board meets annually to recommend a compensation schedule for elected officials for the fiscal year immediately following, in accordance with Iowa Code Chapters 331.905 and 331.907, and

WHEREAS, the Ringgold County Compensation Board met on December 30, 2019, and made the following salary recommendations for the following elected officials for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020:

<u>Elected Official</u>	<u>Current Salary</u>	<u>Proposed Increase</u>	<u>Recommended</u>
Attorney	\$45,758	14%	\$52,164
Auditor	\$46,707	8%	\$50,444
Recorder	\$46,707	8%	\$50,444
Sheriff	\$68,370	10%	\$75,207

SICOG	\$ 5,568.00
Southern Iowa Trolley	\$ 5,000.00
Western Iowa Tourism	\$ 0

THEREFORE, a motion was made by Kraig Pennington and seconded by Lyle Minnick stating such.

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

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved February 24, 2020.

RESOLUTION RC20-51

WHEREAS, the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the proposed FY21 budget with a total levy rate of 9.75262.

THEREFORE, a motion was made by Kraig Pennington and seconded by Lyle Minnick stating such.

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

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved February 24, 2020.

RESOLUTION RC20-52

The Ringgold County Board of Supervisors met on Monday, February 24, 2020 for the purpose of a public hearing on the Ringgold County FY2021 Budget.

The public hearing was called to order at 10:00 a.m. with the following people present: Supervisors: Ron Landphair, Lyle Minnick, Kraig Pennington; Auditor: Amanda Waske; Assessor Melinda England; Sheriff Rob Haley; Engineer Jared Johnson, Colby Holmes, Kevin Kilgore and Darrel Dodge.

It was found that the time and place of the public hearing had been published in the County's official newspaper at least ten and not more than twenty days prior to the date of the hearing as required by law.

WHEREAS, the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the FY21 budget as published.

THEREFORE, a motion was made by Kraig Pennington and seconded by Lyle Minnick stating such.

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

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved February 24, 2020.

A motion was made by Minnick, second by Pennington to table approval of the minutes. Motion carried.

There was no further business. A motion was made by Minnick and seconded by Pennington to adjourn the meeting at 3:45 p.m.

ATTEST: 
Board of Supervisors


Ringgold County Auditor