

Ringgold County Board of Supervisors Minutes October 19, 2020

The Ringgold County Board of Supervisors met in regular session Monday, October 19, 2020. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M with the following members present: Ron Landphair, Lyle Minnick and Kraig Pennington. Also present: Steve Knapp

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. Mowers have continued to mow making passes on paved roads, Farm-to-Market gravels, and busier gravel roads. As vegetation growth has slowed mowers are now trying to mow fence to fence where practical.

The Total Patcher was out working last week and finished on the East Sun Valley Lake Road. With forecasted temperatures in the high 50's the next two weeks the plan is to cover the county one last time for the season in preparation for winter.

Work order updates:

WO 638: Repair erosion to south abutment slope and bridge and armor. Repair degraded ditches at bridge corners. Located on P33 north of J23. FEMA site 316052 (In Progress)

WO 640: Repair severely undermined concrete box culvert. Drive sheet pile at outlet for stay in place forms. Place flowable concrete under box culvert to fill void. Armor inlet and outlet with revetment. Located on 190th Street west of 128th Ave. FEMA site 316053. (Complete)

The NRCS has provided the department with a performance evaluation for the Holmes project, that the department will complete and return this week. The department inquired about reimbursement on the project. The NRCS responded that the payment request was submitted 10/1/20, however, these sometimes take some time to process. They were going to check with a grant's specialist about the reimbursement status.

Last week the concrete crew finished up grouting the barrels and cleaning up the Routh Box site. Towards the end of the week the dirt crew was on site to begin backfilling and compacting. By the end of the week the contractor had completed the channel shaping and the majority of the backfilling, both culvert and diversion channel. This week the contractor is planning on finishing shaping the site, placing revetment along the channel banks, and if weather allows place the surfacing material on the roadway. Weather depending the project may be close to complete by the end of the week. As the fall seeding date has passed and a stabilizing crop was not part of the bid items the department is planning on submitting a change order for stabilizing crop and mulch which will remain in place until the final seeding is completed in the spring. The third pay voucher for the project will be submitted this week. Johnson reported, provided weather cooperates, the road could be reopening late this week.

Last week the crew focused on building the falsework for the slab on the Jefferson 9 project. This entails setting brackets and wedges, setting caps, setting stringers, setting joists, and placing plywood. By the end of the week all that was lacking from having the whole bridge decked was 12'. This week the crew will finish decking, install end forms, wing forms, and curb forms, and begin placing reinforcing steel. Deck pour is tentatively planned for Wednesday October 28th.

Johnson brought before the Board a request to advertise for the Road Superintendent position. Knapp voiced concerns about advertising right away as he believes it is too early to begin advertising. Knapp went on to state Johnson is fully capable, as are other members of the department in a management role, and therefore could use their expertise in the absence of a Road Superintendent. This could be done until a suitable candidate is found, he said. Johnson said he would like to begin advertising to allow for adequate time to accept applications and review potential candidates. The Board agreed with Johnson and will move forward with advertising.

Phil Tyler and Lois Ibbotson with Tyler Insurance met with the Board to discuss the county's liability insurance plan. They questioned the county's interest in placing the liability and work comp policies out for bids. Notification to the current companies is required to be submitted by November 1st. The Board asked Auditor Waske to submit the letter and move forward with the bidding process.

The Board reviewed claims to be paid Wednesday, October 21, 2020.

RESOLUTION RC20-187

WHEREAS, the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve to advertise for the Road Superintendent position at secondary roads.

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 October 19, 2020.

RESOLUTION RC20-188

WHEREAS, the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve claims to be paid Wednesday, October 21, 2020.


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 October 19, 2020.

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

There was no further business. A motion was made by Minnick and seconded by Pennington to adjourn the meeting at 12:16 pm.

ATTEST: 
Board of Supervisors


Ringgold County Auditor