Ringgold County Board of Supervisors Minutes
November 3, 2021

The Ringgold County Board of Supervisors met in regular session Wednesday, November 3, 2021. The meeting was called to order at 1:00 P.M with the following members present: Ron Landphair, Colby Holmes and Steve Knapp.

A motion was made by Knapp, seconded Holmes to approve the agenda.
AYES: Unanimous NAYS: None

At 1:05 p.m. Holmes moved to open the FY22 budget amendment hearing. There was no one present for comment. At 1:15 p.m. Knapp moved to close the public hearing. The Board moved forward with approval of the amendment.

Auditor Amanda Waske requested action on engaging Ahlers & Cooney Law Firm to perform an independent investigation. The Board moved forward with approval.

The Board reviewed claims to be paid Wednesday, November 3, 2021.

Engineer Jared Johnson met with the Board to provide secondary roads updates. Spot rock was hauled to the North Central and Southeast Maintainer districts when conditions allowed. The mower tractor was out mowing roadsides in the Southern part of the County. The department plans on continuing mowing efforts as long as conditions allowed. The patcher was out working in the Southern part of the County when the conditions allowed.

With the wet and muddy conditions of last week time was spent improving shop safety based on recommendations from the spring safety audit and IMWCA walk around. This work involved cleaning up clutter, installing glow in the dark exit signs, labeling the breaker box, ensuring first aid supplies are in date, inspecting cords for damage/bare spots, making sure containers are labeled.

Equipment requiring servicing was serviced. Bridge construction materials were organized and prepared for winter storage.

Rainfall last week prevented all work at the Redding weir site last week. Other than suspending work for the week, the rainfall events raised the river level to a point where the bendway weirs were overtopped. Field observations noted that the facility is functioning as designed. The water pressure on the outside channel bank has been reduced, and the main channel flow is passing under the bridge at the constructed skew.

The department submitted the final forms closeout packet to the IDOT for review of the Washington 20 project. Then also, last week the department received notice that the project has been closed out at the Regional/District level and sent to the Bureau of Finance for issuance of final payment. The final payment to the contractor has been made. Total final cost of the project is $963,236.39.

The department has completed the hydraulic analysis and preliminary design for the Monroe 4 site. A 9'-6 x 70'-0 R.R. tanker car at 25 deg. skew will hydraulically satisfy design discharges.

The department was contacted last week by the Railroad Yard notifying us that a tanker meeting our required specifications (10' x 75'-0) was ready to be shipped. It is anticipated that the tanker will be delivered this Tuesday, November 2nd. The crew will be removing the existing bridge this week with the intention of installing the tanker once it arrives. It is anticipated that the tanker will be installed and the roadway reopened to the public this week.

Last week at Union 6 the crew finished tying steel and forming wings at the south, finished building working platforms, installed guardrail anchor bolts, performed final inspection of formwork, and prepared the site for the deck pour. The deck pour was originally planned for Monday, November 1st, however, it has been rescheduled for Monday, November 8th. The plan for this week is to finish setting wing forms at the south and make sure all loose ends are buttoned up. The deck pour is tentatively set for this Friday.

The J23 and P64 sealcoat projects are set for a January 19, 2022 letting, Johnson explained.

Johnson presented the Board with the annual Weed Commissioner report.

RESOLUTION RC21–176

WHEREAS, the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve the FY22 budget amendment.
THEREFORE, a motion was made by Knapp and seconded by Holmes stating such.
The vote on the resolution: AYES: All. NAYS: None.
ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved November 3, 2021

RESOLUTION RC21–177

WHEREAS, the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve to engage Ahlers & Cooney Law Firm to perform an investigation.
THEREFORE, a motion was made by Knapp and seconded by Landphair stating such.
The vote on the resolution: AYES: All. NAYS: None.
ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved November 3, 2021

RESOLUTION RC21–178

WHEREAS, the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve claims to be paid Wednesday, November 3, 2021.
THEREFORE, a motion was made by Holmes and seconded by Knapp stating such.
The vote on the resolution: AYES: All. NAYS: None.
ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved November 3, 2021

Knapp moved to approve the October 25th minutes and Holmes seconded. Motion carried.

Knapp moved to approve the minutes and Holmes seconded. Motion carried.

With no further business, a motion was made by Knapp and seconded by Holmes to adjourn the meeting at 3:12 p.m.

Ron Longfellow
Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: Amanda Wash
Ringgold County Auditor