

Proceedings

Ringgold County Board of **Supervisors Minutes** April 29, 2024

The Ringgold County Board of Supervisors met in regular session Monday, April 29, 2024. The meeting was called to order at 9 a.m. with the following members present: Colby Holmes, Randy Taylor. Absent: Steve Knapp.

A motion was made by Taylor, second by Holmes to approve the agenda.

AYES: Unanimous NAYS:

Engineer Jared Johnson met with the Board to discuss secondary roads updates. The sign truck was out working to repair downed, damaged, and/or deteriorated signs.

Spot rock was hauled to the northeast and north central maintainer districts.

The crew was called in Friday night to help block off, close roadways, and assist where needed after the tornadoes went through the county.

Work order update: W.O. 1208: Roadway patching on J23 between Clearfield and Diagonal. Last week the crew worked to break and remove existing concrete from the site. All existing pavement was removed by the end of the week. It is planned to break the pour into 3-600 ft sections. The crew worked to over excavate the 1st section and place subbase material. Excavated material was hauled off site. Holes for dowel bars were drilled for the 1st section and edge forms placed. Rain and rain chances at the end of the week postponed the scheduled pour of the 1st section. The crew worked on over excavating the second section. (In Progress).

W.O. 1202: Clear brush and re-shape roadside for approximately 0.5 miles. Located along 310th Street and P64, north and west from the 310th Street and P64 intersection. (In Progress).

The department received the final delineation report for the Liberty 25 project from Impact 7g last week. The wetlands in the ditch areas on the preliminary wetland map were reclassified as simply wet ditches in the final report after further discussion and review. The department is working on finishing the submittal to the USACE with the requested additional infor-Only the south two sites now

remain to be surveyed for the P27 project.

Johnson presented the Board with the bid from Caliber Concrete, LLC in the amount of \$345,359.26 and recommended they award the associated contract(s) for the sidewalk project in Diagonal. The Board moved forward with approval.

The Board tabled approval

RESOLUTION RC24-72

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors, hereafter referred to as "the Board", believes the TAP-R-C080(86)--8T-80, hereafter referred to as "the project" is in the best interest of Ringgold, lowa, and the residents thereof. The project is defined as PCC Sidewalk; and WHEREAS, the Board has

sought appropriate professional guidance for the concept and planning for the project and followed the steps as required by the Code of lowa for notifications, hearings, and bid-

ding/letting; and

WHEREAS, The Board finds this resolution appropriate and necessary to protect, preserve, and improve the rights, privileges, property, peace, safety, health, welfare, comfort, and convenience of Ringgold County and its citizens, all as provided for in and permitted by section 331.301 of the Code of Iowa; and

IT IS THEREFORE RE-SOLVED by Board to accept the bid from Caliber Concrete, LLC in the amount of \$345,359.26 and awards the associated contract(s) to the same;

BE IT FURTHER RE-SOLVED that all other resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with this resolution are hereby repealed. If any part of this resolution is adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the resolution or action of The Board as a whole or any part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional. This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its approval as provided by law; and

BE IT FURTHER RE-SOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Ringgold County, lowa, that after receiving the necessary contract documents, including but not limited to, the contractor's bond and certificate of insurance, Jared Johnson, P.E., the Engineer for Ringgold County, Iowa, be and is hereby designated, authorized, and empowered on behalf of the Board of Supervisors of said County

to execute the contracts in con-

nection with the afore awarded construction project let through the DOT for this county.

THEREFORE, a motion was made by Randy Taylor and seconded by Colby Holmes stating The vote on the resolution:

AYES: Unanimous. ATTEST: Amanda Waske,

Auditor. Passed and approved April 29, 2024. A motion was made by Taylor and seconded by Holmes to

approve the minutes. Motion carried. There was no further busi-

ness. A motion was made by Taylor and seconded by Holmes to adjourn the meeting at 12:01 p.m. STEVE KNAPP

Board of Supervisors ATTEST: AMANDA WASKE Ringgold County Auditor

Ringgold County Board of **Supervisors Minutes**

May 6, 2024 The Ringgold County Board of Supervisors met in regular session Monday, May 6, 2024. The meeting was called to order at 9 a.m. with the following members present: Colby Holmes, Randy Taylor and

A motion was made by Holmes, second by Taylor to approve the agenda. AYES: Unanimous NAYS:

Engineer Jared Johnson met with the Board to discuss secondary roads updates. The sign truck was out working to repair downed, damaged, and/or deteriorated signs.

EMA purchased another order of street signs. The crew worked to install these signs when conditions were wet and

Spot rock was hauled to the Northwest and North Central maintainer districts.

Road closure signs deployed after the storm event were picked up out of the field.

The crew worked to cut up and clear trees that had fallen in

Broken planks were replaced in Ringgold County bridges Poe 14, Poe 23, and Washington 5.

Work order updates: W.O. 1208: Roadway patching on J23 between Clearfield and Diagonal. Last week the crew finished forming and poured the 1st section of paving. Wet and muddy conditions last week prevented finishing the remainder of over excavation and placement of granular subbase in the 2nd and 3rd sections. (In Progress).

W.O. 1202: Clear brush and re-shape roadside for approximately 0.5 miles. Located along 310th Street and P64, north and west from the 310th Street and P64 intersection. (In Progress).

The department has submitted the additionally requested information to the USACE for review on the Liberty 25 proj-

The crew mobilized the smaller crane to the Tingley 27 site in order to unload and stockpile culvert sections on site once

they are ready for shipment. The department has obtained all right of entry agreements from the adjacent landowners

for the Jefferson 26 project. The department has obtained consultant proposals for the Phase I Survey for the P27 South project. Impact 7g is the low-cost proposal and will be

awarded the work. The Diagonal sidewalk project is TAP funded with the City of Diagonal providing match funds. The County has agreed to be the project sponsor and aid the city in development and construction of the project. This project replaces deteriorated stretches of the sidewalk in Diagonal. The department has transitioned the contract to awarded by LPA in DocExpress. Upon submission of the required documents by the Contractor the department will sign

the contract. At 10 a.m. Holmes moved to open the public hearing for the proposed FY24 budget amendment. Second by Taylor. Motion carried. There were no public comments. A motion was made by Taylor, second by Holmes, to adjourn the hearing at 10:10

The Board, along with Assessor Melinda England and Deputy Auditor Korbie Rinehart, met via remote session, with Sarah Dickmeyer with Schneider Geospatial to review two add-on modules with Beacon. Dickmeyer presented the Board with a tax estimator and property tax distribution module. Both add-ons come with a fee. The group was also presented with the options to include online applications for homestead credits and military exemptions as well as the ability to change an address. The Board elected to maintain Beacon as it currently is at this time.

Representatives with Options Exteriors stopped in to visit with the Board about roof damage to the courthouse following the April 26th tornado. The Board is coordinating with the county insurance adjuster and will be in touch with the

representatives. Public Health Director Becky Fletchall met with the Board to present the proposed amended 28E agreement for the Heart of Iowa Region. The amended agreement provides for the consolidation of two regions to the Heart of Iowa be-

ginning July 1, 2024. With the realignment approved by the Legislature this year, the future of the regions is unknown entirely at this time.

Auditor Amanda Waske presented the Board with the proposed amendment and appropriations. The Board moved forward with approval.

The Board reviewed claims paid Wednesday, May 1 and moved forward with approval.

RESOLUTION

RC24-73

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve the amended 28E agreement for Heat of Iowa

THEREFORE, a motion was made by Randy Taylor and sec-onded by Colby Holmes stating

The vote on the resolution: AYES: Unanimous.

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved May 6, 2024.

RESOLUTION RC24-74

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve the FY24 budget amendment.

THEREFORE, a motion was made by Colby Holmes and seconded by Randy Taylor stating such. The vote on the resolution: AYES: Unanimous. NAYS:

ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved May 6, 2024.

RESOLUTION RC24-75

WHEREAS the Ringgold County Board of Supervisors do hereby approve claims paid Wednesday, May 1. THEREFORE, a motion was

made by Colby Holmes and seconded by Randy Taylor stating

The vote on the resolution: AYES: Unanimous.

None. ATTEST: Amanda Waske, Auditor. Passed and approved May 6, 2024.

A motion was made by Holmes and seconded by Taylor to approve the minutes. Motion carried. There was no further busi-

ness. A motion was made by Taylor and seconded by Holmes to adjourn the meeting at 12:28

> STEVE KNAPP Board of Supervisors AMANDA WASKE Ringgold County Auditor

CLAIMS

Electrical Engineering, Ch Generator Inspection, \$936.60.

Alliant Energy, Varied Depts, \$2,388.85.

Brian Bickel, Twp FY25 Meetings, \$20.00. Brian Mobley, Twp FY25

Meetings, \$20.00. Business Forms & Systems, Tr Tax Paper, \$390.06.

Card Service Center, Sh Office Supplies-Training, \$864.00. Carmen Davidson, RCSS Phone-Recreation, \$60.00.

Chanelle Cole, RCSS Phone, \$53.51. Cintas Corp, Jail Floor Mats,

Cintas First Aid & Safety, SR- First Aid Kid, Gloves,

City Of Diagonal, SR- Farm To Market Transfer, \$964.71.

City Of Kellerton, SR- Farm To Market Transfer, \$774.50. City Of Mount Ayr, Varied Depts, \$1,654.15.

Clearview Homes, Sh Jail Meals Feb-Mar, \$5,950.00. Curt Jackson, SR- Cell Phone Use, \$30.00.

Danielle Triggs, RCSS Phone, \$30.00. David W Pearce, WRD Contract Labor, \$756.00.

Diagonal Building Products, SR- J23 Patching, \$44.52. Dollar General, RCSS Cus-

todial Supplies, \$58.24. Galls, Sh Apparel, \$201.15. Hannah Saville, VA- Spring

School Training, \$152.13.

Hewlett's Quality Lawn
Care, WRD Pest Control,
\$80.00.

Holiday Inn - Airport, Sh Apco/Nena Conference, \$1,145.76.

ICIT, Treasurer IT Conference, \$350.00.

Infomax Office Systems, Cty Copier Agreement, \$1,764.34. Inland Truck Parts Co., SR-

Hanger Bearing, \$72.42. Iowa Fire Equipment Co., WRD Fire Ext Inspection, Iowa Prison Industries, SR-

Min Maint, Level B, \$4,868.00. ISACA, Aud Summer Conference, \$250.00. James Brand, VA- Med

Transport, \$112.00. Jared Johnson, SR- Cell Phone Use, \$30.00. Jim Karp, RCSS Phone,

Justin Frost, SR- Cell Phone Use, \$30.00.

Justin Hansen, PC Mowing, \$1,000.00. Kim Stark, RCSS Phone,

Lambert, RCSS Kristin Phone, \$30.00. Lawson Products Inc., SR-Parts, \$205.64.

Lincoln's Lawn Care Inc, Jail Pest Control, \$97.98. Logan Contractors, SR- J23 Patching, \$9,059.75.

Lucky Lanes, RCSS Recreation, \$54.00. Mail Services, Tr Postage &

Print, \$187.00. Mainstay Systems Inc., Jail Monitor, \$185.00.

Mark Budach, Varied Depts,

Mark Rychnovsky,

FY25 Meetings, \$20.00. Martin Schnoor, SR- Cell Phone Use, \$217.24.

Mary Swank, Twp FY25 Meetings, \$20.00. Mediacom, Varied Depts,

Melinda England, Asr Mileage, \$37.52.

Michele Chase, Atty Court Reporting, \$52.00.
Mike Kempton,

Phone, \$30.00. Motorola Solutions Inc., E911 Ellston Radions,

\$4,806.84. Mount Ayr Record News, Varied Depts, \$2,001.61.

Mte Office Center, Asr Cardstock, \$20.55.

Napa Auto Parts, Varied Depts, \$2,688.01. Nevin Collier, WRD Cell Phone, \$20.00.

dian Cell May, \$30.00. Radar Road Tec, Sh Radar Certification, \$350.00.

Patricia Clemens, Ch Custo-

Ringgold County Auditor, Asr Postage, \$96.64. Ringgold County Hospital, It

Phys Capacity Exam, \$103.00. RK Fuels Inc., SR- Gasoline And Diesel, \$3,985.94. Ryan Bailey, Twp FY25

Meetings, \$20.00. SIRWA, Varied Depts, \$101.80.

Snap On Tools Corp, SR-Hand Tools, \$41.25. Solvent Web LLC, Ph Website Directory, \$220.00.

REC, Southwest Iowa RCCB Electric, \$413.00. Star Equipment, Ltd, SR-26 In X 165 Cured, Blade, \$1,460.00.

Stewart Tire, Varied Depts, \$4,206.84. Susan Frye Court Reporting Atty Court Reporting, \$235.00. Tammy Rychnovsky, Twp

FY25 Meetings, \$20.00. TK Elevator Corporation,

Toney's Welding Service LLC, WRD Mulcher Repair, \$10,713.77. Ch Elevator Service, \$298.04. Transit Works, SR- Calibrat-

ed Level, \$170.00. Tyler J Church, RCSS Mowing, \$500.00. US Bank, RCCB Supplies,

\$2,636.63. Valsoft Corporation Inc., Aud-Rec Digital Records,

\$150.00. Walnut Creek Greenhouse, Ch Flowers, \$57.27. Wendell R Wallace, Twp FY25 Meetings, \$20.00. Willson & Pechacek, Asr Le-

gal Services, \$250.00. Zachary Hague, IT Office Furniture, \$534.99.\$74,190.10

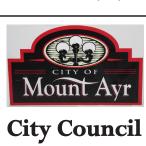
Public Notice

DEPARTMENT, FUND AND APPROPRIATED AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURES FOR FY23-24

AMENDED MAY 6, 2024

Supervisors.....\$205,365.00

Auditor.....\$262,774.00 Treasurer.....\$220,714.00 Attorney.....\$153,764.00 Sheriff.....\$1,413,630.00 Clerk of Court......\$3,000.00 Recorder.....\$146,041.00 Jail.....\$605,371.00 Enviorn. Health......\$25,190.00 Secondary Roads. \$6,284,965.00 Veterans Affairs......\$59,141.00 Conservation......\$330,790.00 Public Health......\$503,125.00 Weed Commissioner..\$5,504.00 Social Services......\$9,300.00 General Assistance...\$14,000.00 Medical Examiner....\$22,000.00 Libraries.....\$24,007.00 Historical Society......\$5,000.00 RC Support. Serv....\$407,161.00 Pioneer Cemetry......\$16,000.00 Insurance.....\$278,000.00 General Services.....\$130,476.00 Data Processing.....\$242,325.00 Fair....\$20,000.00 Mental Health.....\$20,263.00 Juvenile Services.....\$7,000.00 Solid Waste.....\$24,000.00 Non Depart.....\$1,163,225.00 Total.....\$12,608,131.00



ORDINANCE NO. 2024-55 An Ordinance Repealing Ordinance No. 2002-42 Providing

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for the Division of Taxes Levied on Taxable Property in the Mount Ayr Downtown Urban Renewal Area.

WHEREAS, the City Council (the "Council") of Mount Ayr, Iowa (the "City") previously enacted Ordinance No. 2002-42, dated June 17, 2002 (the "Ordinance"), providing for the division of taxes levied on taxable property in Mount Ayr Downtown Urban Renewal Area (the "Urban Renewal Area") pursuant to Section 403.19 of the Code of Iowa; and WHEREAS, it is now nec-

essary for the Council to take action to repeal the Ordinance; BE IT ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Mount Ayr, Iowa: Section 1. Purpose. The Or-

dinance is hereby repealed as

Deena Kay Bevins

of July 1, 2024, and the City's ability to collect incremental property tax revenues (the "TIF Revenues") from the Urban Renewal Area is herby terminated as of July 1, 2024. The City will continue to collect TIF Revenues from the Urban Renewal Area through the end of the

City's 2023-2024 fiscal year. Section 2. Repealer. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 3. Saving Clause. If any section, provision, or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any section, provision or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

Section 4. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be effective after its final passage, approval and publication as provided by

Passed and approved by the City Council of the City of Mount Ayr, Iowa on May 6,

> STEVE FETTY Mayor MARI HUGHES City Clerk

Public Notice

SECTION 00 1115 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TO WHOM IT MAY CON-CERN: Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Sun Valley Lake Rural Improvement Zone Board of Trustees on the proposed contract documents (plans, specifications, and form of contract) and estimated cost for the Vos Pond Dredging at its meeting at Sun Valley Iowa Lake Association Office, 3186 Big Bend Road, Ellston, Iowa 50074 at 3 p.m. on May 15, 2024 or at such later time and place as may then be fixed. Any resident or property owner of the Rural Improvement Zone may appear and file comments or objections to the proposed plans, specifications, form of contract, or cost of such improvement.

General Nature of Improvement

Sun Valley Lake Rural Improvement Zone -Vos Pond Dredging

Ringgold County, Iowa Project No. 2142206300 This project includes the removal of accumulated sediment in a pond adjacent to the west culvert inlet to Sun Valley Lake. The project involves removing approximately 7,200 CY of material from the pond bottom. Accumulated sediment will be spread, dewatered, and seeded on the landowner's adjacent property. The project also involves removal and installation of barbed wire fence, pond dewatering, and surface restoration at the completion of the

project. Work shall be substantially

completed by August 30, 2024.
The location of the project is in Ringgold County, Iowa, in close vicinity to Sun Valley Lake as shown on the drawings.

Proposed drawings, specifications, and form of contract may be examined at the office of Shive-Hattery, Inc., 4125 Westown Parkway, Suite 100,

West Des Moines, IA 50266. Published by order of the Sun Valley Lake Rural Improvement Zone, Ringgold County,

Public Notice

IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR RINGGOLD COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARY LU SCHOFIELD, Deceased.

> CASE NO. ESPR209095 NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR AND NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of MARY LU SCHO-FIELD, Deceased, who died on or about March 3, 2024: You are hereby notified that on April 23, 2024, the undersigned was appointed Executor of the estate.

Notice is hereby given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of the mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.

Dated on April 24, 2024.

Executor of the Estate 1216 N. Birch Street James L. Bergkamp, Jr., Attorney for the Executor Bergkamp, Hemphill & Mc-Clure, P.C. 218 S. 9th Street Adel, IA 50003-8404

Creston, IA 50801

Date of second publication May 9, 2024.

Yard and Garden:

Selecting and planting trees for Arbor Day

The best way to celebrate Arbor Day is to plant

Selecting the right tree helps ensure it will be a long-lived addition to your landscape. Planting trees requires specific steps and aftercare to en-

sure a successful outcome. In this article, Iowa State University Extension and Outreach horticulturists answer your questions about selecting and planting a tree on Arbor Day or any day this

How do I select the best

tree for my yard? Properly selected trees have longer life spans and require less maintenance. Start by evaluating the growing conditions in the landscape. Most trees will need full sun to grow their

Some species, like hackberry, will tolerate hot, intense late-day sun. Others, like redbud, will tolerate part-shade locations well. Check cold hardiness to be sure it will survive an average Iowa winter. Most trees prefer

well-drained soils. However, several trees, like baldcypress and river birch, will grow quite well

on chronically wet sites. The best tree also fits the site's needs. The growth habit and mature size of the tree needs to fit the planting location. This can prevent overcrowding, interference with overhead utility wires, obstruction of vehicular and pedestrian traffic, and other prob-

Consider the tree's resistance to common insect pests or diseases. Select species or cultivars that are resistant to common problems to reduce the likelihood of health issues later on. Finally, consider the tree's ornamental features like flowers, bark color and texture, and fall

How do I select a high-quality tree for my

yard? high-quality Select nursery stock to increase the chances that your tree will thrive.

Vigorous trees will have a healthy foliage color and a full, lustrous appearance. Look for trees that are evenly branched on all sides. At least two-thirds of the total height of the tree should have branches. Avoid trees with broken or rubbing branches, as well as those that have poor branching structure, such as double-leaders.

A healthy trunk should be straight with no signs of injury.

Look for trees with healthy growth from year to year. Check last year's growth by looking for the bud scale scars (scars that encircle the twig). From the tip of the twig to the bud scale scar indicates the amount the tree grew last year.

Small amounts of growth (less than 4 inches) is sometimes an indication the tree is under stress. Finally, evaluate the

root system. Avoid trees that appear too large for their container, as they could be root-bound.

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