Supervisors Proceedings

Ringgold County Board of Supervisors Minutes
December 1, 2025

The Ringgold County Board of Supervisors met informally on Monday, December 1, 2025. Due to an oversight in posting the agenda within the required 24-hour public notice period, no official meeting was held. The Supervisors received an informational update from County Engineer Jared Johnson regarding Secondary Roads. No deliberations were conducted, and no actions or decisions were taken.

Engineer's Report – Jared Johnson: The sign truck was out working to repair downed, damaged and deteriorated signs.

Plow trucks were prepared for the upcoming winter storm event.

The crew completed a concrete patch along J23 between Diagonal and Clearfield.

Plow trucks were dispatched Saturday in response to winter storm event moving through the county. By the end of the day, Saturday paved roads were cleared off and in good shape. Maintainers were dispatched early Sunday to begin snow removal on gravel roadways. Gravel road snow removal efforts continued early Monday morning.

Work order update: WO 1429: Clear trees/brush and reshape roadside for approximately 1000 feet. Located along P33 between HWY2 and 220th Street. (Complete).

WO 1428: Clear trees/brush and reshape roadside for approximately 1.6 miles. Located along 280th Ave, 270th Street, 285th Ave. (In Progress).

WO 1418: Clear trees/brush and reshape roadside for approximately .7 miles. Located along P33 between HWY2 and 220th Street. (Complete).

J55 Paving – the department has now received all material certs from the contractor. The department is working through the preaudit checklist, attachment E, for submittal to the IDOT.

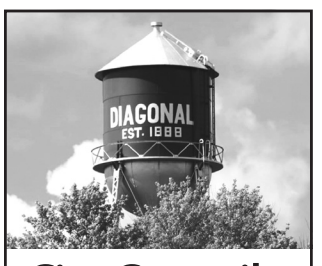
Benton 12 – The department has worked through the preaudit Attachment E worksheet for project closeout and will work to make the submittal to the IDOT. The department is working to obtain missing documentation from the contractor and subcontractors. Once required documentation is received from the contractor the department is ready to make submittal to IDOT for preaudit determination.

Diagonal sidewalk project – The department has prepared and submitted all final forms for project closeout. Upon approval of the final forms from the IDOT the department will proceed with obtaining signatures on the final voucher and issuing payment.

Resident Sue Richards stopped in to visit with Johnson and the Board to express support for the reinstallation of the destination light at the corner of State Highway 169 and J20 (Tingley corner). Richards explained this would provide added security to those students parking at the intersection during sport events as well. The Board explained they do support Johnsons plan but are still researching cost and then will make a decision.

With no further updates, the Board concluded their informational meeting at 11:20 a.m.

RANDY TAYLOR
Board of Supervisors
ATTEST: AMANDA WASKE
Ringgold County Auditor



City Council Proceedings

CITY OF DIAGONAL
November 20th, 2025

The Diagonal City Council met in a Special Session at the Diagonal Community Building, at 6:30 p.m.

Mayor Elliott calls the special session to order at 6:31p.m.

ROLL CALL-Roll call is taken with the following members present: Norris, Ruby, Grandfield, Parrott, and O'Kelley.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA-Ruby motions to approve the agenda, posted 11-19th at 12:05 p.m. Parrott seconds the motion. Vote 5-0, in favor. Motion carries.

Ruby motions to hire David Lamb on a full time basis as the City Superintendant. O'Kelley seconds the motion. Vote 5-0, in favor. Motion carries. Lamb will replace Bradley Bentley who turned in a 2 week notice at November's regular meeting.

O'Kelley seconds the motion. Vote 5-0, in favor. Motion carries.

ADOURNMENT-There being no further business, O'Kelley motions to adjourn the special session at 6:47pm, second is made by Grandfield. Vote 5-0, in favor. Motion carries.

LESTER ELLIOTT
Mayor
JULIE MALCOM
City Clerk

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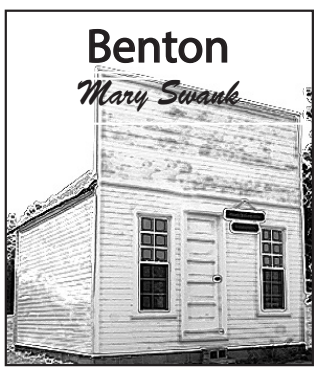
Mary Swank



We hope everyone is staying safe.

On Monday, the library ladies consisting of Nancy Roe, Bobbi Bainum, Mary Kathryn Gepner and Kay Hove met at Home Town Heros to celebrate Kay Hove's birthday anniversary.

Richard Swank visited several times during the week with Junior and Mary Swank.

Beverly Straight and Cathy Kilgore were weekly visitors of Ann Baker.

Thanksgiving Day dinner guests of Mary Kathryn Gepner and Mike Gepner were Michael, Johnnie, Lettie and Lexi Camacho.

A Thanksgiving Day guest of Larry and Lindsey Lane and Ann Baker was Chris Lane.

Saturday and Sunday visitors of Ann Baker and Larry and Lindsey Lane were Kenny, Lana and Jaxson Lane

Hickory Grove

Vickie Jeanes

Happy 104th birthday to Jake Dailey! Jo Kaye Shields, Debbie Dodge, Jeff and Brenda Woody, Diane Wood, Alyce Mattis, Lisa Jackson, Cricket Waske, Joshua, Amanda, and Emerie Waske and Gavin Wood from OK met at Rumors with Jake to begin celebrating his 104th birthday with supper. Jo Kaye joined Jake and his family at Clearview for a birthday luncheon on Tuesday. Thanksgiving dinner guests with Jo Kaye and Cricket were Jay, Ally and Hannah Waske, Josh, Amanda, Ella and Emerie Waske and Mike Clark from Des Moines. Jaycob Waske spent the long weekend with Jo Kaye and Cricket. Emerie Waske stayed Friday and Saturday nights. On Sunday, Joshua, Emerie and Ally Waske, and Jo Kaye had lunch at El Napol's in Bethany.

Rose and Kevin James enjoyed Thanksgiving dinner with Nick and Jen Johnston and other Johnston family members at Nick and Jen's home in rural Indianola.

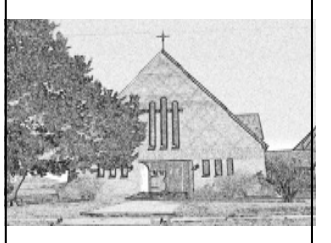
Walt and Bev traveled to Omaha on Wednesday to spend the holiday. They stayed with Karla and Jasmine, and everyone had Thanksgiving dinner with Kim, Randy, and Sanai Foster. They returned home on Friday. Walt and Bev hosted Dave, Jennifer, Aaden, and Adalyn Brennaman for lunch on Sunday.

Thanksgiving Day dinner guests with Lizzie Jeanes, Kayla, Tyler and Sauri were Robert Morrow, Jennifer and Kimiko Meadors, Nate, Nicki, Hunter and Gunner Head and Charlie and Vickie Jeanes.

Charlie and Vickie Jeanes hosted dinner at the Allendale Community Building on Saturday. Guests were Bek, Emily, Benny, and Rayhona Tolipov and Erkin and Mukaddas Tolipov from Hutto, TX, Lizzie Jeanes and Kayla and Tyler, Abby and Troy Hawk, Robert Morrow, Hopkins, Lila and Maurice Craig and Bob Dill, Eagleville, Julie Pulley, Fenton, MO, Charlie Hiatt, Bethany and Ralph, Kevin, Lacy and Kimberlin Kobbe, Grant City. This was the first time for everyone to meet three-month-old Rayhona.

Maloy

Joan Jackson

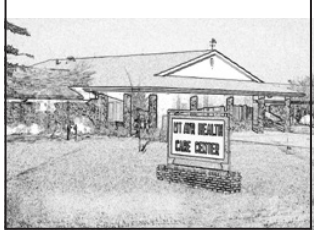


Dick and Joyce Weehler spent Thanksgiving in Swisher with Becky Heilman and Dewey Richardson and other family members. On Saturday afternoon, they helped host the 5th birthday party for great granddaughter, Laetyn. Helping to celebrate the little gal was her mother, Jensen Stewart of Mount Ayr. Other guests were Courtney Whitmore, also of Mt. Ayr. Maloy residents Neil and Jill Weehler, Randy, Kim, Mallory and Evan Weehler and Riley, Callie, LoElla and Gus Weehler attended. Jordan, Ranea, Gwen and Ace Stewart of Mount Ayr came for the party.

Craig and Kathi Braby were in Creston on Thanksgiving. They joined family in the home of Nick and Laurie Evans for the day.

Thanksgiving at the Wendell and Joan Jackson home. Guests for the day were Curt Jackson and Kevin and Melanie Jackson of Maloy, Hannah Jackson of Pella, Wyatt, Payton and Cameron of Bedford. From Maryville were Erin, Charyti, Logan, Isabelle, and Seager Jackson. Earl Jackson came up from Savannah, MO. Tyanna Jackson of Lenox also joined the family. Birthdays for Seager and Joan were celebrated during the day. Donna Warin had Thanksgiving dinner with the Poore family at the Benton Community Hall. Megan, Kellen and Evelyn Suntken from Hampton came down Thanksgiving evening to spend the holiday. The Warin's hosted the Suntken's along with Katelyn, Jeremy, Emmet, Lyla and Anna Maass and Mike and Grace Warin for Thanksgiving supper.

Mount Ayr Health Care Center



How about a nice snowfall for the kickoff of December. Personally, I could do without it until right at Christmas, but it sure helps us get into the spirit.

We had started our week preparing for Christmas with decorating ornaments. They get the option to gift them or enjoy

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