The Board of Supervisors met as per adjournment in regular session at 9:00 a.m. with members Steensma, McDowell and Vanden Hull present and Bootsma and Friedrichsen via phone. This meeting is being held electronically due to the COVID-19 pandemic and restrictions imposed on the number of people allowed to assemble.

Moved by McDowell, seconded by Vanden Hull to approve the proceedings of March 17, 2020. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Friedrichsen, seconded by McDowell to approve the liquor license application of Meadowbrook Golf & Country Club and the wine permit application of Getting’s Garden. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Vanden Hull, seconded by Bootsma to adopt a resolution to renew a lease between Franklin Enterprises, Ltd. and O’Brien County for the office space for the County Attorney’s Office. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Vanden Hull, seconded by Friedrichsen to adopt the following resolution. Motion carried by all ayes.

RESOLUTION 2020-11
RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, O’BRIEN COUNTY, IOWA

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors is empowered under authority of Section 306.41 of the Code of Iowa to temporarily close sections of road by formal resolution when they deem necessary for construction, maintenance, or natural disaster,

AND WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors, County of O’Brien, have determined that the following section of road should be temporarily closed due to road construction:

Bridge Replacement (E-6)

Local Road Oak Hill Ave. between 330th and 340th St.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the above described roads be closed temporarily in the manner described below.

"ROAD CLOSED" signs shall be placed on both ends of the described segment of road, and they shall remain in place until the construction is completed.

Moved by Vanden Hull, seconded by McDowell to approve the utility construction applications of Alliant Energy along 100th Avenue and Main Blvd. in Moneta and around the City of Hartley in Section 32, Hartley Township. Motion carried by all ayes.
Moved by Bootsma, seconded by Friedrichsen to approve a tile crossing application of Lloyd R. Holles between Sections 29 & 30, Baker Township. Motion carried by all ayes.

The Board, acting as Trustees for Drainage District No. 5, took the following action:

Moved by Bootsma, seconded by Vanden Hull to accept the bid of King Excavation at $592,908.75 for the FEMA funded repair work on Drainage District No. 5 and to direct the drainage engineer, Bolton & Menk to send the contract documents to King Excavation for execution. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Friedrichsen, seconded by Vanden Hull to accept the quote of O’Brien County Implement for two New Holland utility tractors and one New Holland disk mower for a total of $124,000. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Friedrichsen, seconded by Bootsma to adopt the following resolution. Motion carried by all ayes.

RESOLUTION 2020-12
RESOLUTION DECLARING A DISASTER FOR O’BRIEN COUNTY IN RESPONSE TO THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE

WHEREAS, O’Brien County has determined the impact from the Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Pandemic has disrupted government services and will endanger the health and safety of the citizens of O’Brien County; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County Board of Supervisors has declared a state of emergency authorized under Iowa State Statute and will execute the expenditure of emergency funds from all available sources, the invoking of mutual aid agreements and applying to the State of Iowa for assistance in response to this disaster.

Adopted this 24th day of March, 2020
Chairperson, John Steensma

ATTEST:
County Auditor, Barbara Rohwer

Moved by Friedrichsen, seconded by Bootsma to hold a hearing on April 7, 2020 at 9:05 a.m. for the Proposed General Assistance Program Ordinance. After the hearing the Board will hold the first reading of the Ordinance. If the first reading is approved at this time, it will be considered at the April 14, 2020 meeting at 9:05 a.m. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Vanden Hull, seconded by McDowell to adjourn to March 31, 2020. Motion carried by all ayes.

Attest: Barbara Rohwer 
County Auditor

John Steensma 
Chairman