The Board of Supervisors met as per adjournment in regular session at 9:00 a.m. with all members present. 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 Friedrichsen, seconded by Vanden Hull to approve the proceedings of July 21, 2020. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Bootsma, seconded by McDowell to adopt Resolution No. 2020-26, a resolution approving a waiver of the County’s rights to appeal the issuance of the final construction permit for the Lincoln 6 confinement owned by Bruce Lorch in Section 6, Lincoln Township. The Board does not in any way waive its rights to appeal any other confinement construction permits that may be issued by the Iowa DNR. Motion carried by all ayes.

At 9:05 a.m. the second reading of Proposed County Ordinance No. 27: an ordinance prohibiting the unlawful use of engine and compression brakes (“Jake Brake Ordinance”). There were no objections or comments presented.

Moved by Friedrichsen, seconded by McDowell to approve the second reading of Proposed County Ordinance No. 27: an ordinance prohibiting the unlawful use of engine and compression brakes (“Jake Brake Ordinance”) and to adopt the ordinance as presented. Motion carried by all ayes except Vanden Hull.

At 9:15 a.m. a hearing was held on the proposed Rausch Feedlot Co. application to construct a 1,200 head deep pit cattle confinement in Section 13, Union Township. The open lots will be discontinued upon completion. Animal Unit Capacity of the confinement operation after construction: 2,100 animal units (2,100 head of beef cattle). There were no objections or comments received. The Dept. of Natural Resources reviewed the site on July 22, 2020 along with representatives from the County. There were no issues found and the matrix scoring is 455 points.

Moved by Friedrichsen, seconded by Bootsma to recommend approval of the construction application of Rausch Feedlot Co. in Section 13, Union Township. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Vanden Hull, seconded by Bootsma to approve Phase 2 of the Courthouse opening plan with an effective date of August 5, 2020. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Vanden Hull, seconded by McDowell to approve the tile crossing application of Herb Struyk between Sections 24 Floyd and 19 Franklin Townships. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Bootsma, seconded by Friedrichsen to adjourn to August 4, 2020. Motion carried by all ayes.

Attest:  Barbara Rohwer
County Auditor

John Steensma
Chairman