

PROCEEDINGS OF O'BRIEN COUNTY SUPERVISORS

May 25, 2021

The Board of Supervisors met as per adjournment in regular session at 9:00 a.m. with all members present.

Moved by Vanden Hull, seconded by Friedrichsen to amend the agenda to include a resolution creating the American Rescue Plan Fund and a road closing resolution. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Vanden Hull, seconded by Bootsma to approve the proceedings of May 18, 2021. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Vanden Hull, seconded by Steensma to move to Phase 3 of the Courthouse reopening effective immediately, that includes: Courthouse hours 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.; the west and east entrances will be open to the public; department heads may continue some mitigation strategies to help prevent the spread of germs. Motion carried by all ayes.

The Conservation employees and several citizens of the county met with the Board to discuss issues regarding the Conservation Department and its operations.

Moved by Bootsma, seconded by Steensma to hold a bid letting on July 13, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. for a bridge replacement on Polk Avenue. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Friedrichsen, seconded by Vanden Hull to accept the quote of Titan Machinery for a Case 621G loader at \$148,500 less a trade-in for a net price of \$128,500. Motion carried by all ayes.

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

RESOLUTION 2021-28  
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:

**Road Grading, Level B Road**

**Local Road 430<sup>th</sup> St. Between McKinley and Monroe Ave.**

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 Friedrichsen, seconded by Bootsma to approve a fireworks permit for Amy Solsma at 6190 320<sup>th</sup> Street Sanborn for the weekend of June 18<sup>th</sup>. Motion carried by all ayes.

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

**Resolution No. 2021-29**  
**Resolution for Creation of American Rescue Plan Fund**

**WHEREAS**, the O'Brien County has been notified it will receive \$2,671,359 from the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to respond to the COVID-19 Emergency and Bring Back Jobs; and

**WHEREAS**, these are Federal funds to give aid to local governments to help turn the tide on the pandemic, address its economic fallout and lay the foundation for a strong and equitable recovery;

**WHEREAS**, these funds may be used to:

- **Support public health expenditures**, by, for example, funding COVID-19 mitigation efforts, medical expenses, behavioral healthcare, and certain public health and safety staff
- **Address negative economic impacts caused by the public health emergency**, including economic harms to workers, households, small businesses, impacted industries, and the public sector
- **Replace lost public sector revenue**, using this funding to provide government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue experienced due to the pandemic
- **Provide premium pay for essential workers**, offering additional support to those who have and will bear the greatest health risks because of their service in critical infrastructure sectors
- **Invest in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure**, making necessary investments to improve access to clean drinking water, support vital wastewater and storm water infrastructure, and to expand access to broadband internet

Within these overall categories, recipients have broad flexibility to decide how best to use this funding to meet the needs of their communities.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Supervisors of O'Brien County, Iowa as follows:

A new fund, American Rescue Plan Fund - Fund 27 will be established. This fund will not receive interest. All interest will remain a part of the General Basic Fund.

*The above and foregoing resolution was adopted by the Board of Supervisors of O'Brien County, Iowa on the 25th day of May, 2021.*

Nancy McDowell  
Chair, O'Brien County Board of Supervisors

Attest: Barbara Rohwer  
County Auditor

Moved by Friedrichsen, seconded by Steensma to hold a hearing on June 15, 2021 at 9:10 a.m. for the proposed expansion of the Van Ess Dairy LLC in Section 17, Lincoln Township. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Bootsma, seconded by Steensma to adjourn to June 8, 2021. Motion carried by all ayes.

Attest: Barbara Rohwer  
County Auditor

Nancy McDowell  
Chair