

PROCEEDINGS OF O'BRIEN COUNTY SUPERVISORS

December 21, 2021

The Board of Supervisors met as per adjournment in regular session at 9:45 a.m. with all members present except Dennis Vanden Hull who was present by phone.

Moved by Friedrichsen, seconded by Steensma to approve the proceedings of December 14, 2021. Motion carried by all ayes.

Rich VanderWerff, Chair of the O'Brien County Compensation Board gave the Board's recommendation for Fiscal 2023 as follows: County Supervisors – 8%; County Auditor, Recorder and Treasurer – 8 % each; County Sheriff – 14% and County Attorney – 8 %. The County Supervisors took no action on the recommendation at this time. These proposed increases would begin July 1, 2022.

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

O'Brien County Resolution No. 2021-54

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF O'BRIEN COUNTY, IOWA

WHEREAS the Board of Supervisors has the authority to designate any highway as a through highway and requiring all vehicles to stop or yield the right-of-way before entering or crossing the same or designating any intersection as a stop or yield intersection and requiring all vehicles to stop at one or more entrances to such intersections;

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors recognizes the need for placement of appropriate signs and relative appurtenances to facilitate the safe and efficient movement of traffic in accordance with the AASHTO Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices;

WHEREAS, the O'Brien County Board of Supervisors recognizes the need to accommodate changes in topography, buildings or vegetation, and traffic patterns, to remove signing control and relative appurtenances in order to facilitate the continued safe and efficient movement of traffic;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the following traffic control device, being no longer warranted, should be removed from the following location:

The North bound stop sign at the intersection of Roosevelt Ave. and 360th Street, located near the NW corner of Section 24 in Summit Township.

Moved by Friedrichsen, seconded by Overmire to approve the amended fiscal 2022 Secondary Road construction program. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Steensma, seconded by Friedrichsen to approve the 2021 Family Farm Credit applications for 2022-23 taxes. Motion carried by all ayes except Vanden Hull who abstained.

Moved by Friedrichsen, seconded by Steensma to appoint Bolton & Menk, Inc. as the engineering firm for the oversite of the Drainage Districts involved in the proposed carbon dioxide pipeline projects. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Friedrichsen, seconded by Overmire to authorize the Chair to sign letters to the Iowa Utilities Board regarding the Summit Carbon Solutions and Navigator Heartland Greenway carbon dioxide pipeline projects opposing the granting of eminent domain being used for these projects. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Friedrichsen, seconded by Steensma to request a State Disaster Declaration for O'Brien County due to the December 15, 2021 severe storm/wind damages. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Steensma, seconded by Vanden Hull to approve the changes to the Employee Safety Boot Policy to set the policy for a reimbursement of up to \$150 per year for safety boots based on the anniversary date of the purchase of the boots with proof of purchase. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Friedrichsen, seconded by Overmire to hold a hearing at 9:30 a.m. January 11, 2022 on a proposed ordinance adopting County Voting Precincts to be in effect beginning January 15, 2022. After the hearing, the proposed ordinance will be considered for passage. Due to time constraints beyond local control, if approved on the first reading, the second and third readings will be waived and the Ordinance adopted. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Vanden Hull, seconded by Friedrichsen to approve the hourly rate increase for Communications Operator Paige Poppema to \$24.64 per hour effective December 26, 2021. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Vanden Hull, seconded by Friedrichsen to adjourn to January 3, 2022. Motion carried by all ayes.

Attest: _____
County Auditor

Chair