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The Menard County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, September 8, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. at the Menard County Courthouse, 102 S. Seventh Street, Petersburg, Illinois. Commissioners Bob Lott, Jeff Fore, Ed Whitcomb and Troy Cummings were physically present. A quorum was present. County Treasurer Pam Bauser, County Clerk Patricia Duncheon, and State’s Attorney Kevin Tippey were present. County Coordinator Dara Worthington was also present. Commissioner Allan Anderson was absent.

Chairperson Bob Lott called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Commissioner Whitcomb moved to approve the consent agenda which included the minutes from the August 25, 2015 regular Board Meeting along with August monthly reports. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried with four ‘ayes’, no ‘nays’ and one absent.

Hearing of Citizens Public Comments/Requests for Board Action

There were no public comments/requests for Board action.

Randy Stevens, IMRF Field Representative, was in attendance to review and discuss the current IMRF program for the County. Connie Hoselton, Vice President of Human Resources for Heritage Enterprises, was also present to review the IMRF program along with the PTO program for Sunny Acres and Countryside Estate eligible employees. There was a lengthy discussion regarding both of these programs. Mr. Stevens also discussed and explained the Elected County Official retirement plan.

Sunny Acres/Countryside Estates Report/Requests for Board Action

Dianne Cochran, Sunny Acres Administrator, was in attendance and provided an overview of Sunny Acres and Countryside Estates operations and census. She informed the Board that they have had some septic problems and the Board suggested she get bids for the septic repair. She also stated that the Kubota tractor needs a new motor and Commissioner Whitcomb stated he would check on this.

Jennifer Nance, employee of Sunny Acres, was in attendance to get clarification on the new PTO program at Sunny Acres. A discussion ensued. The Board suggested she speak with Dianne Cochran and Connie Hoselton for more clarification.

County Treasurer’s Report/Requests for Board Action

County Treasurer Pam Ratliff Bauser was in attendance and updated the Board on activities within her office.

County Clerk's Report/Requests for Board Action

County Clerk Patricia Duncheon was in attendance and presented a twelve hour liquor license from Poe's Catering for approval. Commissioner Whitcomb moved to approve the liquor license. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried with four 'ayes', no 'nays' and one absent.

State's Attorney Report/Requests for Board Action

State's Attorney Kevin Tippey was in attendance and updated the Board on activities within his office.

County Coordinator's Report/Requests for Board Action

Coordinator Worthington reported on various issues within her office that included; a resignation letter from Larry Graf from the ETSB Board, budget worksheets handed out within County offices, and the Menard County Extension Office will only be open two days a week starting September 28, 2015.

Coordinator Worthington also requested Executive Session minutes from August 13, 2013 be opened. Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the request. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried with four 'ayes', no 'nays' and one absent.

She also requested Executive Session minutes from July 30, 2013 to be opened. Commissioner Whitcomb moved to approve the request. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried with four 'ayes', no 'nays' and one absent.

Mrs. Worthington discussed statutes from the Veterans' Assistance Commission. There was also a lengthy discussion regarding a bill from FWAI Architects for architectural fees on the EMS project.

Coordinator Worthington requested FWAI bill to be paid. Commissioner Whitcomb moved to approve payment. Commissioner Cummings seconded the motion. The motion carried with three 'ayes', one 'nay' and one absent.

Coordinator Worthington updated the Board on the new phone system, and she stated that the project is on currently on hold, due to issues encountered with phone listings and timing of the fiber optics installation. Mrs. Worthington requested to move forward with the project. Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the request. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried with four 'ayes', no 'nays' and one absent.

Individual Board Members - Report/Requests for Board Action

Commissioner Fore stated that the new Road District #9 Commissioner is doing well.

Resolution #39-15 to Re-Appoint Kenneth Deverman as Grove Creek Drainage District Commissioner for a three year term.

Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the Resolution. Commissioner Whitcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried with four 'ayes', no 'nays' and one absent. This shall be known as **Resolution #39-15**.

Resolution #40-15 to Re-Appoint Kevin Ruppel as the North Sangamon-Lattimore Creek Mutual Drainage District Commissioner for a three year term.

Commissioner Fore move to approve the Resolution. Commissioner Cummings seconded the motion. The motion carried with four 'ayes', no 'nays' and one absent. This shall be known as **Resolution #40-15**.

Adjournment

With no other business coming before the Board, Commissioner Whitcomb moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 p.m. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried with four 'ayes', no 'nays' and one absent.