

COUNTY OF MENARD)
) S.S.
STATE OF ILLINOIS)

The Menard County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, November 29, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at the Menard County Courthouse, 102 S. Seventh Street, Petersburg, Illinois. Commissioners Jeff Fore, Allan Anderson, Ed Whitcomb and Troy Cummings were physically present. A quorum was present. County Clerk Patricia Duncheon, County Treasurer Pam Bauser, State’s Attorney Kevin Tippey and County Coordinator Dara Worthington were also present. Commissioner Bob Lott was absent.

Acting Chairperson Jeff Fore called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the minutes from the November 8, 2016 regular board meeting. Commissioner Whitcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried with four ‘ayes’ no ‘nays’ and one absent.

Commissioner Whitcomb moved to approve the minutes from the November 8, 2016 Executive Session. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried with four ‘ayes’ no ‘nays’ and one absent.

Commissioner Anderson moved to approve the monthly departmental expense report. Commissioner Cummings seconded the motion. The motion carried with four ‘ayes’, no ‘nays’ and one absent.

Tabled – Approval of regular minutes and Executive minutes from the Special Budget meeting held November 22, 2016.

Hearing of Citizens (Public Comments/Requests for Board Action)

Kathy and Lambert Fleck were in attendance regarding an issue that occurred between a resident from a group home located in a subdivision outside Athens and their ten year old granddaughter. Some residents of the subdivision were also present and a lengthy discussion ensued regarding public safety and what can be done to handle possible future issues. State’s Attorney Tippey suggested citizens document incidents and call upon law enforcement whenever necessary. The commissioners expressed their concern with this group home as well. State’s Attorney Tippey informed Mr. and Mrs. Fleck, along with the subdivision residents, that the Board isn’t in a position to address their concerns since this incident is a civil matter and could best be addressed through lawmakers.

Sangamon County Health Department Comments/Requests for Board Action

Jim Stone, Director of the Department of Public Health, was in attendance and updated the Board on the Health Clinic that will hopefully be opening the first of the year. He stated there will also be some new food codes for health inspections implemented in 2017.

Highway Department Report/Requests for Board action

County Highway Engineer Tom Casson was in attendance and updated the Board on various activities in his office.

He presented the Athens Blacktop Overlay Project (F.A.S. 574) for approval. Commissioner Whitcomb moved to approve the project. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried with four 'ayes' no 'nays' and one absent.

Engineer Casson informed the Board of upcoming fuel contracts, explaining the process being followed and stated he will give the bidders a detailed, itemized bid form for their completion.

County Coordinator Worthington handed out Sheriff Departmental reports for review.

EMS/Community Services Department Report/Requests for Board Action

EMS/ESDA Administrator Mike Burg was in attendance and briefed the Board on activities in his Department that included receiving more Kincaid Trust funds.

County Treasurer's Report/Requests for Board Action

County Treasurer Pam Bauser was in attendance and presented monthly financials for review.

County Clerk's Report/Requests for Board Action

County Clerk Patricia Duncheon was in attendance and updated the Board on activities within her office.

State's Attorney Report/Requests for Board Action

State's Attorney Kevin Tippey informed the Board that Keagan Robinson replaced Chris Bolinger as Deputy Sheriff. He also stated the Dirks jury trial has been postponed until January 2017.

County Coordinator's Report/Requests for Board Action

County Coordinator Dara Worthington was in attendance and presented and discussed various items.

She presented health department bills for payment approval. Commissioner Whitcomb moved to approve payment. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried with four 'ayes' no 'nays' and one absent.

She recommended partially opening Executive Session minutes from June 9, 2015. Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the partial opening. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried with four 'ayes', no 'nays' and one absent.

Coordinator Worthington presented a 25% down payment Workers Compensation & Property Casualty bill for approval noting that funds will be coming from the FY 2017 budget. Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the payment. Commissioner Whitcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried with four 'ayes' no 'nays' and one absent.

She also presented the most recent EAV Report for inspection.

Individual Board Members - Report/Requests for Board Action

Commissioner Anderson informed the Board that Christmas in Petersburg is this weekend and the courthouse lawn festivities will be held on Friday evening.

Commissioner Cummings updated the Board on the Sunny Acres Advisory Board meeting he attended. He met the new administrator, Sarah Yoder, and presented information on the various repairs at Sunny Acres.

Commissioner Whitcomb informed the Board that he and Kevin Miller looked at the Animal Control building and indicated that they need to look into it further.

Ordinance - Fiscal Year 2017 Budget Adoption

Commissioner Whitcomb moved to approve an ordinance adopting the Fiscal Year 2017 budget. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried with four 'ayes' no 'nays' and one absent. The ordinance shall be known as **Ordinance #33-16**.

Resolution #34-16 – Re-appointment of Karen Boensel, Mike Chandler and Ken Yocum to the Menard County Emergency Telephone Systems Board for three year terms to begin December 1, 2016 and end on December 1, 2019.

Commissioner Anderson moved to approve the Resolution. Commissioner Cummings seconded it. The motion carried with four 'ayes' no 'nays' and one absent. This shall be known as **Resolution # 34-16**.

Resolution #35-16 – Appointment of Rod Leamon to the Menard County Rescue Squad District Board for a four year term to begin December 1, 2016 and end on December 1, 2020.

Commissioner Whitcomb moved 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 #35-16**.

Resolution #36-16 – Re-Appointment of Debbie Nichols to the Menard County Rescue Squad District Board for a four year term to begin December 1, 2016 and end on December 1, 2020. This shall be known as **Resolution #36-16**.

Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the resolution. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried with four ‘ayes’ no ‘nays’ and one absent. This shall be known as **Resolution # 36-16**.

Resolution #37-16 – Re-Appointment of Martha Gum to the Menard County Rescue Squad District Board for a four year term to begin December 1, 2016 and end on December 1, 2020.

Commissioner Anderson 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 # 37-16**.

Coordinator Worthington presented an ordinance for the updated Menard County Personnel Policies for approval with an effective date of December 1, 2016.

Commissioner Cummings moved to approve Ordinance #38-16 for approval. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried with four ‘ayes’, no ‘nays’ and one absent. This shall be known as **Ordinance #38-16**.

Adjournment

With no other business coming before the Board, Commissioner Whitcomb moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m. Commissioner Cummings seconded the motion. The motion carried with four ‘ayes’, no ‘nays’ and one absent.