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The Menard County Public Building Study Group (PBSG), an advisory board appointed by the Menard County Board of Commissioners, met on Wednesday, November 6, 2024, at the Menard County Courthouse, 102 South Seventh Street, Petersburg. Menard County Commissioners Bob Lott along with PBSG members Steve Ozella, Joe Hemberger, and Dan Ortgessen were in attendance. Sheriff Mark Oller and Menard County Coordinator Dara Worthington were also in attendance. Menard County Commissioner Ed Whitcomb was absent.

PBSG Chair Ozella called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

PBSG Member Joe Hemberger made a motion to approve minutes from October 2, 2024, meeting. PBSG Member Dan Ortgessen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There were no citizens for public comment.

It was reported that Architect Joe Petty had estimated the cost of the three projects proposed for the courthouse and that he was working on preparing the RFPs to be let this year so that work can begin in the spring of next year. Funding of the projects was briefly discussed. The Coordinator was directed to reach out to the architect about a new simple spire for topping the dome.

Sheriff Oller reported that the jail roof and jail canopy work are both complete.

Worthington reported as follows: work on the residents’ room at Sunny Acres is beginning; an inquiry has been placed with the grants manager of DCEO to determine the possibility of doing a revision to the grant; the old Highway Department building is scheduled to come down the following week; supplies have been ordered for the work to be done at the EMS office building.

Having no further business, Public Building Study Group Member Joe Hemberger made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:54 AM. Public Building Study Group Member Dan Ortgessen seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Dara Worthington