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The Menard County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, January 26, 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 present. A quorum was present. County Treasurer Pam Bauser, County Clerk Patricia Duncheon, State’s Attorney Kevin Tippey and County Coordinator Dara Worthington were also present. Commissioner Bob Lott was absent.

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

Commissioner Whitcomb moved to approve the consent agenda which included the minutes from the January 12, 2016 regular Board Meeting along with the expense reports from December 2015. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried with three ‘ayes’, no ‘nays’, and one absent.

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

Representatives from Snedeker Risk Management were in attendance and presented a Hope Trust dividend check to the County for employees’ health insurance coverage for 2012, 2013 and 2014.

Health Department Report/Requests for Board Action

Sangamon County Health Department Director Jim Stone was in attendance and presented a fully executed copy of the FY16 intergovernmental agreement for their services.

Zoning Report/Requests for Board Action

Zoning Administrator Brian Hollenkamp was in attendance and presented a draft copy of the revised Comprehensive Plan of Menard County for Board review and adjustments, if needed.

Mr. Hollenkamp also distributed a list of zoning permits issued by year through 2015 and discussed the potential opportunities the county had for cost savings with the 911 Geocomm mapping system.

Sheriff’s Department Report/Requests for Board Action

Sheriff Rod Harrison was in attendance and presented departmental year end reports for review and discussion. He updated the Board on the current courthouse repairs.

EMS/EMA Department Report/Requests for Board Action

Mike Burg was in attendance and provided the 2015 transport log for review. Mr. Burg also updated the Board on flood paperwork submitted to IEMA. He also discussed issues such as: the progress of the new EMS building, outstanding accounts and the possibility of purchasing an ambulance. The ambulance topic was tabled for the next meeting.

County Treasurer's Report/Requests for Board Action

County Treasurer Pam Bauser was in attendance and presented monthly financial reports for review and discussion. Treasurer Bauser informed the Board of her concern with Heritage's bill paying process.

Michael Feriozzi, Independent Auditor, was in attendance and spoke at length on Sunny Acres financials. He also discussed the County's fourth quarter FY 2015 issues.

County Clerk's Report/Requests for Board Action

County Clerk Patricia Duncheon was in attendance and provided an overview of activities and issues related to her office. Clerk Duncheon presented two liquor licenses for review and approval. Commissioner Whitcomb moved to approve the two liquor licenses. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried with three 'ayes', no 'nays', and one absent.

State's Attorney's Report/Requests for Board Action

State's Attorney Kevin Tippet was in attendance and informed the Board he has hired Lisa Standley as the new Victim's Witness Advocate. Ms. Standley will begin her duties on February 1, 2016. He informed the Board of the upcoming pre-trials and jury trials.

County Coordinator's Report/Requests for Board Action

Coordinator Dara Worthington was in attendance and presented a variety of information from her office which included the approval of Health Department bills for payment. Commissioner Cummings moved to approve payment of the bills. Commissioner Whitcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried with three 'ayes', no 'nays', and one absent.

Coordinator Worthington also requested approval of payment #2 for Custom Structures for work completed on the new EMS building. Commissioner Anderson moved to approve the payment. Commissioner Whitcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried with three 'ayes', no 'nays', and one absent.

She also presented an approval of payment for FWAI Architects work on the new EMS building. Commissioner Whitcomb moved to approve payment. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried with three 'ayes', no 'nays', and one absent.

Tabled – A Resolution from the Highway Department for the 2016 Americans with Disabilities Act Transition Plan.

Mrs. Worthington informed the Board that union contracts with the Highway Department and EMS will both end of November 30, 2016. The Board asked that Jack Knuppel, Chief Labor Counsel with the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor, attend an upcoming County Board meeting in preparation.

Coordinator Worthington requested Executive Session minutes be opened for the following Board meetings: September 27, 2011, January 31, 2012, June 26, 2012, August 28, 2012, July 9, 2013, July 30, 2013, October 8, 2013, March 11, 2014 and June 10, 2014. Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the request. Commissioner Whitcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried with three 'ayes', no 'nays', and one absent.

She also stated that the Rotary Club has requested permission to use the Courthouse parking lot for an electronic recycling event to be held the morning of April 2, 2016. The Board approved this request.

Individual Board Members - Report/Requests for Board Action

Commissioner Cummings updated the Board on a UCCI meeting he attended. Some issues discussed were jury duty pay and the fact that nine counties have filed lawsuits against the State of Illinois for nonpayment. Cummings presented the Board with a check from Cresco Labs in the amount of \$6,250.00.

Adjournment

With no other business coming before the Board, Commissioner Cummings moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried with three 'ayes', no 'nays', and one absent.