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The Menard County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday **November 8, 2016** at 6:00 p.m. in the Menard County Courthouse, 102 S. Seventh Street, Petersburg, Illinois. Commissioners Bob Lott, Jeff Fore, Allan Anderson, Troy Cummings and Ed Whitcomb were physically present. A quorum was present. County Coordinator Dara Worthington, was present. County Clerk Patricia Duncheon, Treasurer Pam Ratliff Bauser and State’s Attorney Kevin Tippey were absent.

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

Commissioner Anderson moved to approve minutes from the October 25, 2016 Regular Board Meeting. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Whitcomb moved to approve the Executive Session minutes from October 25, 2016. Commissioner Cummings seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Cummings moved to approve minutes from the Special Board meeting held November 1, 2016. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Whitcomb moved to approve the monthly Community Service report for October. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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

There were no comments/requests for Board action.

Sunny Acres/Country Side Estates/Heritage Report/Requests for Board Action

Dave Underwood and Marge Oblinger, representatives from Heritage Enterprises, were in attendance to review the Fiscal Year 2017 Budget for Sunny Acres and Countryside Estates. There was a lengthy discussion regarding various line items. Ms. Oblinger also noted that the new administrator will be announced soon.

Highway Department Report/Requests for Board Action

County Engineer Tom Casson provided an overview of activities and presented October monthly bills for approval. He presented budget revisions for review and discussion.

Mr. Casson presented the Athens Blacktop Local Public Agency Agreement for Federal Participation for review and approval. Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the Agreement. Commissioner Whicomb seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution #31-16 – Appropriating Federal Aid Matching Funds for the Counties 20% share of the Proposed Athens Blacktop Hot Mix Asphalt Overlay Project. Commissioner Fore moved to approve the resolution. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. This shall be known as **Resolution #31-16**.

There was a brief discussion on the bike path in Sangamon County that will run just shy of Menard County and what it would take to get it into our county, specifically to Athens Community Park. Engineer Casson stated that he spoke with Greenways and Trails regarding this possible project. The Board agreed that a bequest of monies would be needed to set this project into motion.

Commissioner Cummings moved to enter into Executive Session at 7:12 p.m. Commissioner Whitcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board returned to Regular Session at 7:30 p.m.

County Coordinator's Report/Requests for Board Action

County Coordinator Worthington presented Health Department bills for approval and payment. Commissioner Whitcomb moved to approve the payments. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Coordinator Worthington presented the 2017 Illinois Association of County Board Membership dues for payment approval. Commissioner Anderson moved to approve the payment. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Individual Board Members - Report/Requests for Board Action

Commissioner Lott discussed the proposals for new windows for the 3rd floor of the Courtroom, budgeted for this fiscal year. Coordinator Worthington presented information from Joe Hemberger Builders for review. A brief discussion ensued regarding the windows, installation and the payment timeline for both.

Commissioner Whitcomb moved to approve the purchase of windows for the 3rd floor of the courthouse. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

A brief discussion was held regarding the future of Sunny Acres.

Tabled – Circuit Clerk fee schedule.

County Coordinator presented a Travel Ordinance #32-16 for review and approval. Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the Ordinance #32-16. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

With no other business coming before the Board, Commissioner Fore moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 p.m. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.