

COUNTY OF MENARD    )  
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The Menard County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, February 28, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the Menard County Courthouse, 102 S. Seventh Street, Petersburg, Illinois. Commissioners Bob Lott, Allan Anderson, Ed Whitcomb and Troy Cummings were present. A quorum was present. County Treasurer Pam Bauser, County Clerk Patricia Duncheon, County Coordinator Dara Worthington and State’s Attorney Kevin Tippey were also present.

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

Commissioner Anderson moved to approve the consent agenda which included the minutes from the February 14, 2017 regular Board Meeting and Executive Session minutes along with the Departmental Expense Reports for January 2017. Commissioner Whitcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried with four ‘ayes’ no ‘nays’ and one absent.

County Commissioner Jeff Fore arrived at 6:05 p.m.

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

Joe Schaler, Chairman of the Logan County Veterans Assistance Commission, was in attendance to provide information on establishing Menard County as a Purple Heart County. A lengthy explanation was given. The Board decided it would review the information and contact Mr. Schaler regarding their decision at a later date.

**Health Department Report/Requests for Board Action**

Jim Stone, Sangamon County Health Department Administrator, was present and informed the Board that Dr. Tellez was interested in being on the local Board of Health. He also stated the Health Department Clinic located in the Menard Medical Center will have their open house on Saturday, April 1, 2017 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. and will officially be open for business on Tuesday, April 4, 2017. Clinic hours will be every Tuesday and Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Highway Department Report/Requests for Board Action**

Tom Casson, County Highway Engineer, was in attendance and updated the Board on activities within his office. He submitted a lone bid for discussion for the cleaning and painting of the Highway Department’s storage shed. Mr. Casson recommended rejecting this bid.

Commissioner Whitcomb moved to reject the high bid from All States Painting, Inc. Commissioner Cummings seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Casson will rework the original proposal in an attempt to bring the final cost down to a more reasonable level.

### **Zoning Report/Requests for Board Action**

Zoning Administrator Brian Hollenkamp was in attendance and presented an ordinance for approval.

**Ordinance #02-17** – Adopting changes to Article VI Section 6.03 (D)(1) and Article VI Section 6.04 (D)(1) of the Menard County Zoning Ordinance. Commissioner Fore moved to approve the Ordinance. Commissioner Whitcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

### **EMS/EMA Report/Requests for Board Action**

Mike Burg, EMS/EMA Administrator, was in attendance and presented a list of account write-offs for review and approval.

Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the write-offs as presented. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

He also informed the Board of an opening for a full-time paramedic position due to an employee leaving in March.

### **County Treasurer's Report/Requests for Board Action**

Treasurer Pam Bauser was in attendance and presented financial reports for review and discussion.

### **County Clerk's Report/Requests for Board Action**

County Clerk Patricia Duncheon was in attendance and provided an overview of activities related to her office.

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

State's Attorney Kevin Tippey was in attendance and discussed ongoing projects within his office. He also provided information regarding retaining a debt collection agency for the Circuit Clerk's Office.

### **County Coordinator's Report/Requests for Board Action**

Coordinator Dara Worthington was in attendance and presented Health Department bills for approval. Commissioner Fore moved to approve the bills. Commissioner Cummings seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Coordinator Worthington requested Executive Session Minutes from August 23, 2016 remain closed. Commissioner Anderson moved to approve the request. Commissioner Whitcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

She updated the Board on items that included the annual Probation Plan being approved by the courts and the Chamber of Commerce will be putting on a Street Festival/5K in May. Mrs. Worthington also informed the Board that Craig Reincke would like to propose offering Health and Life Insurance to the County. A discussion ensued.

### **Individual Board Members - Report/Requests for Board Action**

Commissioner Cummings informed the Board that there are three apartments available at Country Side Estates. He also updated the Board on the UCCI meeting he attended and the slow payments from Cresco Lab. A brief discussion ensued.

**Resolution #03-17** – Re-Appointment of Gary Whitley as trustee for the Oakford Fire Protection District commencing on the first Monday in May 2017 and terminating the first Monday in May 2019.

Commissioner Fore moved to approve the resolution. Commissioner Cummings seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. This shall be known as **Resolution #03-17**.

**Resolution #04-17** - Appointment of Benjamin Hollis to the Emergency Telephone Systems Board replacing Jeremy Foulk. This term will end December 1, 2017.

Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the resolution. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. This shall be known as **Resolution #04-17**.

Commissioner Fore moved to enter into Executive Session (5 ILCS 120/2)(1)(2) at 7:00 p.m. Commissioner Whitcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

At 7:20 p.m., the board reconvened into regular session.

Commissioner Fore moved to hire Bradley Stephens for the position of full-time Paramedic for EMS. 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 7:25 p.m. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

