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The Menard County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, April 9, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at the Menard County Courthouse, 102 S. Seventh Street, Petersburg, Illinois. Commissioners Bob Lott, Jeff Fore, Allan Anderson, Ed Whitcomb, and Troy Cummings were physically present. A quorum was present. County Clerk Marty Gum, County Coordinator Dara Worthington and State’s Attorney Gabe Grosboll were also present. County Treasurer Pam Bauser was absent.

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

Commissioner Fore moved to approve the consent agenda which included the minutes from the March 26, 2019 regular Board Meeting along with March 2019 Community Service Reports. Commissioner Whitcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**Scheduled/Unscheduled Guests**

Michael Feriozzi, Independent Auditor was in attendance and presented and discussed information on the preliminary Fiscal Year 2018 Audit. There was a lengthy discussion regarding the detailed financials and draft of the FY18 audit.

**Highway Department**

County Engineer Tom Casson provided an overview of activities and requested approval to proceed with Qualification-Based Selection process for Phase 1 of the Sangamon Valley Trail. Commissioner Anderson moved to approve the request. Commissioner Cummings seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Casson also added they are currently working on culverts, performing drainage work, and would like the State’s Attorney to look over the Repeater Agreement with Mason County.

**Sheriff’s Department Report/Requests for Board Action**

Sheriff Mark Oller was in attendance and updated the Board on the current jail census. He also added that Deputy John Jones has accepted the Chief of Police position with the City of Petersburg, and they will be looking to hire a new deputy.

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

Mike Burg, EMS/EMA Administrator, was in attendance and discussed monthly transport logs for March 2019. He also discussed the bathroom project at the EMS Building and the fact that they will be needing a new ambulance for which he will budget for in FY20.

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

County Clerk Marty Gum was in attendance and updated the Board on the Consolidated Election. She stated everything went well with just a low 13% turnout. She also discussed the idea of having a County Clerk Facebook page, and noted that she alone would have access to administer this social media page. Clerk Gum stated it would be good to keep the public informed as well being used for recruiting election judges. State's Attorney Grosboll suggested having this as an informational page only so no comments are allowed. The Board decided this will be up to each office holder's discretion if they decide to have a Facebook page.

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

State's Attorney Gabe Grosboll presented information on a .127 acre parcel of land owned by the county off Curtis Blacktop. County Clerk Gum has been doing research and has discovered that this property has been an easement since 1910. There was a lengthy discussion regarding what legal steps are needed to move forward. State's Attorney Grosboll stated we should get a survey done first. It was the consensus of the board to proceed with a survey.

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

Coordinator Worthington presented information regarding the increase of computer file storage from Hanson Information Systems, as well as, the upcoming recycling day will be re-scheduled, due to a scheduling conflict with the Drinking with Lincoln event.

She requested Executive Session minutes from March 13, 2018 be opened. Commissioner Fore moved to approve the request. Commissioner Cummings seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

She requested Executive Session minutes from October 9, 2018 remain closed. Commissioner Whitcomb moved to approve the request. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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

Commissioner Cummings questioned the reason for interest in the .127acre parcel that was discussed previously. A brief discussion ensued.

Commissioner Lott brought up the status of a benefits meeting as it related to both Sunny Acres and Menard County.

**Resolution #3-19** – Appointment of Steve Brown as Trustee of the Athens/Fancy Prairie Community Fire Protection District for a three-year term to begin the first Monday of May 2019 and end the first Monday of May 2022.

Commissioner Whitcomb moved to approve the Resolution. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. This shall be known as **Resolution #3-19**.

### **Adjournment**

With no other business coming before the Board, Commissioner Fore moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. Commissioner Whitcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.