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

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

Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the minutes from the June 25, 2019 regular board meeting, Executive Session minutes from June 11, 2019, and the monthly Community Services report for June 2019. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried with four ‘ayes’, no ‘nays’ and one absent.

Scheduled/Unscheduled Guests

There were none.

Highway Department Report/Requests for Board Action

County Engineer Tom Casson provided pricing for a 2019 John Deere backhoe loader for purchase approval. Commissioner Lott questioned if it would be better to rent than purchase and Engineer Casson stated it would be more cost effective to purchase the new John Deere backhoe loader and sell the old one. Commissioner Anderson moved to approve the purchase of the new John Deere backhoe loader for \$109,200. Commissioner Cummings seconded the motion. The motion carried with four ‘ayes’, no ‘nays’ and one absent.

Sheriff’s Department Report/Requests for Board Action

Sheriff Mark Oller was in attendance and updated the Board on the following; jail census at nine inmates, Starcom radios are up and running, Menard County Fair coverage, and getting prices for a new x-ray machine for the courthouse. He also updated the Board on a press release - noting a suicide near Altig Bridge Road on Saturday, July 6. Sheriff Oller added that it is protocol for Illinois State Police to handle all such crime scenes.

EMS/EMA Department Report/Requests for Board Action

Mike Burg, EMS/EMA Administrator, was in attendance and discussed his transport log, current rigs that are in the shop and a new employee starting July 6.

County Clerk's Report/Requests for Board Action

County Clerk Gum had nothing to report.

State's Attorney Report/Requests for Board Action

State's Attorney Gabe Grosboll discussed issues related to his office such as; the new fines and fees, sale in error cases, State's Attorney conference he attended, and Farm Bureau 100th Annual Dinner to be held July 18th.

County Coordinator's Report/Requests for Board Action

County Coordinator Dara Worthington was in attendance and presented information on Animal Control building expenditures, the American Tower lease, NSPOA water issue, Dave Bagot from Board of Health would like to come to County Board Meeting to discuss local pharmacies, and an upcoming UCCI conference discussing the new recreational marijuana law.

Individual Board Members - Report/Requests for Board Action

Commissioner Fore discussed complaints received on a property located at the end of Smith Avenue/County Line Road. A brief discussion ensued regarding zoning and if the structures are taxable.

Commissioner Cummings reported on the Sunny Acres Advisory Board meeting he attended.

Tabled – Sunny Acres audit bill payment approval

Adjournment

With no other business coming before the Board, Commissioner Anderson moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:11 p.m. Commissioner Cummings seconded the motion. The motion carried with four 'ayes', no 'nays' and one absent.