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The Menard County Public Building Study Group (PBSG), an advisory board appointed by the Menard County Board of Commissioners met at 6:30 PM on Wednesday, January 4, 2017 at the Menard County Courthouse located at 102 South Seventh Street, Petersburg. Menard County Board Chair Bob Lott, PBSG Member Steve Ozella and advisor Carl Fischer were in attendance. Superintendent of Highways Tom Casson and County Coordinator Dara Worthington were also in attendance.

Steve Ozella called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Bob Lott made a motion to approve the November 2, 2016 minutes. Carl Fischer seconded. Motion Carried.

Tom Casson was present with plans for the possible construction of a new sign shop on a current 67'x24' slab of concrete. Tom noted there is electricity outside the slab currently and the plans call for a wooden structure with metal siding and roof and a garage door on one end. Upon completion of the proposed new structure, the plan is to tear down the existing sign shop, which is rotting, and haul away the debris. Both Board Member Ed Whitcomb and Kevin Miller, from Custom Structures have been on site and viewed the location. At a later date, the plan is to install new interior lights.

Mr. Casson updated the PBSG board members on the progress of window replacement for the shop. He also indicated that they are entertaining the idea of replacing the office sometime in the future.

A telephone call was made to board member Ed Whitcomb regarding the status of the Animal Control building. Mr. Whitcomb reported that there is rot throughout the structure. Carl Fischer will further investigate this.

It was reported that the third floor courthouse windows were on order and have been included in FY 2016 county expenses. Auditor Feriozzi will make the necessary adjustments once the actual bill is received since the order did occur in FY16. Steve Ozella reported that the individual he wants to view the third floor woodwork has not been in the area. He still hopes to accomplish this in the near future.

The Sunny Acres roof was briefly discussed. Roughly one third of the roof still needed replaced at a cost that should be below \$200,000. Chairperson Lott plans to discuss this matter with the commissioners at their next meeting.

Installation of a canopy over the courthouse main entrance and fencing surrounding the outside mechanicals were brought up again as potential future projects.

With no further business, Carl Fischer made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Bob Lott seconded. The meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM. The next PBSG meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 1, 2017 at 6:30 PM at the Menard County Courthouse.