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The Menard County Public Building Study Group (PBSG), an advisory board appointed by the Menard County Board of Commissioners, met on Wednesday, September 6, 2023, at the Menard County Courthouse located at 102 South Seventh Street, Petersburg. Menard County Commissioners, Bob Lott and Ed Whitcomb, along with PBSG members Joe Hemberger and Dan Ortgessen were in attendance. Sheriff Mark Oller and Menard County Coordinator Dara Worthington were also in attendance.

PBSG Chair Hemberger called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

PBSG Member Ortgessen made a motion to approve the July 5, 2023, meeting minutes. Commissioner Lott seconded. Motion carried.

There were no citizens for public comment.

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The Menard County Highway office building project was the first topic for discussion. County Engineer Corey Dowd reported to the County Coordinator that the building foundation footings and walls have been poured. The concrete passed testing and the rock backfill is complete and passed compaction. The below grade plumbing will hopefully be in next week according to Kevin Miller with the pouring of the slab following the plumbing install.

The proposed courthouse dome project came up next. An overview was given regarding the two separate meetings with Ameresco and Core Construction with their packets included for review. It was determined that the Farnsworth Group should be contacted with a second request for a copy of the courthouse blueprints. The coordinator will contact Mikayla Vincent of Core Construction for the name of a representative from Henson Robinson. The county will request an onsite meeting with Henson Robinson, with members of the Public Building Study Group being present, to determine options for repairing the dome itself, including the flagpole. PBSG Member Joe Hemberger will consider looking at the work involved on the bottom portion of the dome and may contact other contractors for consultation. There was also a request to have Chief Kolbe Huss at this onsite meeting to provide drone service for better project viewing to Henson Robinson.

County Coordinator Worthington reported that she would be reaching out to the Program Manager at the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity to determine when they will start working again so that we can submit a budget revision on the \$200,000 grant.

With no further business going before the board, PBSG Member Ortgessen made a motion to adjourn, and Commissioner Lott seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Dara Worthington