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The Menard County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, **March 10, 2015** at 6:00 p.m. at the Menard County Courthouse, 102 S. Seventh Street, Petersburg, Illinois. Commissioners Bob Lott, Jeff Fore, Ed Whitcomb and Troy Cummings were physically present. A quorum was present. County Treasurer Pam Bauser, County Clerk Patricia Duncheon, and State’s Attorney Kevin Tippey were present. County Coordinator Dara Worthington was also present. Commissioner Allen Anderson was absent.

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

Commissioner Whitcomb moved to approve the consent agenda which included the minutes from the February 24, 2015 regular Board Meeting and the Community Services Monthly Report for February 2015. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried with four “ayes”, no “nays”, and one absent.

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

There were no public comments/requests for Board action.

Highway Department Report/Requests for Board Action

County Engineer Tom Casson was absent. Dara Worthington, County Coordinator, presented a low bid from Asphalt Sales Company for the County’s bituminous materials. Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the low bid from Asphalt Sales Company. Commissioner Whitcomb seconded it. The motion carried with four “ayes”, no “nays” and one absent.

Coordinator Worthington also presented a low bid from Asphalt Sales Company for the Road District’s bituminous materials. Commissioner Fore moved to approve the low bid. Commissioner Cummings seconded the motion. The motion carried with four “ayes”, no “nays”, and one absent.

Zoning/GIS Report/Requests for Board Action

There were no report/requests for Board action.

Sheriff’s Office Report/Requests for Board Action

Sheriff Rod Harrison was in attendance and presented a Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Agreement and the Existence and Formation of the Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System by Intergovernmental Agreement regarding an Intergovernmental Mutual Aid Agreement.

Resolution #05-15 Authorizing the Execution of a Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Agreement and the Existence and Formation of the Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System by Intergovernmental Cooperation.

Commissioner Whitcomb moved to approve the Resolution. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried with four “ayes”, no “nays” and one absent. This shall be known as **Resolution #05-15**.

Sheriff Harrison also presented and discussed funding for the Central Illinois Enforcement Group officer. Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the funding of the Enforcement Group officer. Commissioner Whitcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried with four “ayes”, no “nays”, and one absent.

The Sheriff also presented and discussed January and February departmental statistics reports.

EMS/EMA Report/Requests for Board Action

EMS/EMA Administrator Mike Burg was in attendance and discussed the AED refresher course provided to county employees and various meetings and conferences he attended.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding the potential cost for the upcoming construction project for the new EMS building.

County Treasurer’s Report/Requests for Board Action

County Treasurer Pam Bauser had no reports or requests for Board action.

County Clerk’s Report/Requests for Board Action

County Clerk Patricia Duncheon was in attendance and presented a liquor license for approval. Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the liquor license for Dean 632 Shambole Golf Course. Commissioner Fore seconded the approval. The motion carried with four “ayes”, no “nays” and one absent.

State’s Attorney Report/Requests for Board Action

State’s Attorney Kevin Tippey presented a Resolution for approval.

Resolution # 06-15 To participate in the service program of the Office of the State’s Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor for Fiscal Year 2015. Commissioner Whitcomb moved to approve the Resolution. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried with four “ayes”, no “nays” and one absent. This shall be known as **Resolution #06-15**.

Mr. Tippey discussed the possible funding issues for court reporting. He also stated that it would be beneficial to install an electronic recording system. A discussion ensued and he noted that no Board action was needed at this time.

County Coordinator's Report/Requests for Board Action

County Coordinator Worthington was in attendance and presented Health Department bills for approval. Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the bills. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried with four "ayes", no "nays" and one absent.

A discussion ensued in regard to the Health Department Building and vacating it. Coordinator Worthington also discussed various issues such as; certification of liability insurance received for tenants of the County Farm, Rural Transportation is currently on hold due to state budget cuts, and the upcoming UCCI conference.

She presented Executive Session minutes from March 11, 2014 with the recommendation to partially open as well as keep closed. Commissioner Fore moved to approve the partial opening of the stated minutes. Commissioner Whitcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried with four "ayes", no "nays" and one absent.

Coordinator Worthington presented Executive Session minutes from March 25, 2014 to be opened. Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the opening of March 25, 2014 Executive Session minutes. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried with four "ayes", no "nays" and one absent.

She also presented a draft letter for the Illinois Department of Agriculture regarding the Grigsby Project. Coordinator Worthington also added that she received a request to attach the information on the bio-filters. It was the Board's consensus to send the information, along with the letter, certified mail to the Illinois Department of Agriculture.

Individual Board Members - Report/Requests for Board Action

Commissioner Cummings stated he met the new State Representative Tim Butler and voiced his concern with the LGD Funding.

Tabled: Adoption of Weed Control Ordinance and appointment of a Weed Control Superintendent from the Sangamon County Health Department.

Resolution #07-15 Calling for the Governor and General Assembly to Protect Necessary Funding for County Government. Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the Resolution. Commissioner Whitcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried with four "ayes", no "nays", and one absent. This shall be known as **Resolution #07-15**.

The Board determined that the Public Information Officer should be the County Coordinator. In the absence of the County Coordinator, the Sheriff shall be the Public Information Officer.

Adjournment

With no other business coming before the Board, Commissioner Fore moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 p.m. Commissioner Whitcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried with four "ayes", no "nays", and one absent.