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The Menard County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, May 26, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. at the Menard County Courthouse, 102 S. Seventh Street, Petersburg, Illinois. Commissioners Bob Lott, Allan Anderson, 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 Jeff Fore was absent.

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

Commissioner Anderson moved to approve the consent agenda which included the minutes from the May 12, 2015 regular Board Meeting, and the monthly department expense report for April 2015. Commissioner Whitcomb 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.

Eric Snedeker, of Snedeker Risk Management, gave an update of the insurance claims from the water damage to the courthouse. He also discussed the Worker’s Compensation Audit. There was a brief discussion on the current Group Insurance Plan.

Highway Department Report/Requests for Board Action

County Engineer, Tom Casson was in attendance and provided an overview of activities within his department. He informed the Board that he received a letter of resignation from Chris Flatt, District 9 Road Commissioner. Mr. Casson stated that he will be working with Kevin Tippey to prepare a Resolution to appoint an individual to fill the remainder of that term until the next election. He informed the Board he will have more information to present at the next Board Meeting.

Sunny Acres/Heritage Operations Report/Requests for Board Action

Dianne Cochran, Sunny Acres Nursing Home Administrator, was in attendance and presented the current census. She stated that Country Side Estates has zero vacancies. She also discussed the current medical records storage issues and is looking for an off-site location for use in the near future.

Ms. Cochran stated that the bidding process has begun for the roof project at Sunny Acres. She also informed that Board that the annual fire safety inspection was complete and repairs are needed at Countryside Estates.

Cheryl Lowney, Executive Vice President and Chief Operations Officer from Heritage Operations Group was in attendance and updated the Board on financial reports from Sunny Acres and Country Side Estates. A lengthy discussion ensued.

County Treasurer's Report/Requests for Board Action

County Treasurer Pam Bauser was in attendance and presented monthly financial reports for review and discussion. She stated that she is currently working on funding for the Sunny Acres Roof Project and that she is also getting bids on a new postage machine for the Courthouse.

County Clerk's Report/Requests for Board Action

County Clerk Patricia Duncheon was in attendance and presented a liquor license for approval from Hamilton's Catering, for an event that will be held at The Farm. Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the license. Commissioner Whitcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried with four 'ayes', no 'nays' and one absent.

Clerk Duncheon also presented a fireworks permit for Terry Taylor for the Lake Petersburg fireworks for approval. Commissioner Anderson moved to approve the permit. Commissioner Whitcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried with four 'ayes', no 'nays' and one absent.

Lastly, County Clerk Duncheon presented an Ordinance for approval. **Ordinance #23-15** will increase the price of a Class F Liquor License from \$5.00 to \$20.00 for each 12 hour license. Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the Ordinance #23-15. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried with four 'ayes', no 'nays' and one absent.

State's Attorney Report/Requests for Board Action

State's Attorney Kevin Tippey provided an overview of activities and issues related to his office. He stated he is currently working with the Sheriff's Office on a couple of issues.

County Coordinator's Report/Requests for Board Action

Coordinator Worthington presented May Health Department bills for overview and approval. Commissioner Anderson moved to approve the bills. Commissioner Cummings seconded the motion. The motion carried with four 'ayes', no 'nays' and one absent.

It was noted that the county, on behalf of Sunny Acres Nursing Home, had received a second distribution from the Stiltz estate.

A copy of the Independent Auditor's Report for FY2014 on the Menard County Circuit Clerk's office was distributed to each board member.

An update was given on the progress of the county website.

Request for Executive Minutes from May 27, 2014 to remain closed.

Commissioner Whitcomb moved to keep the Executive Minutes of May 27, 2014 closed. Commissioner Cummings seconded the motion. The motion carried with four 'ayes', no 'nays' and one absent.

Coordinator Worthington wanted to inform the Board of a letter she received, from a citizen, commending Animal Control Employee Andrew Coulter, for his help in taking care of some problematic animals.

She also informed the Board of activities such as, upcoming joint meeting between Zoning Board of Appeals and Planning Commission, audit book for the Circuit Clerk's Office was presented, and the website is currently being worked on.

Individual Board Members - Report/Requests for Board Action

Commissioner Whitcomb inquired about the roof leaking in the courtroom. State's Attorney Tippey stated it may be due to the air conditioning. Coordinator Worthington was going to follow up on this.

Commissioner Cummings updated the Board on a UCCI meeting he attended and also informed the Board that there will be a public ground breaking ceremony at the new Cultivation Center in Lincoln on June 6th.

Resolution #24-15 – To approve Dara Worthington as the Community Action Partnership of Central Illinois board member.

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 #24-15**.

Adjournment

With no other business coming before the Board, Commissioner Anderson moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:06 p.m. Commissioner Cummings seconded the motion. The motion carried with four 'ayes', no 'nays' and one absent.

