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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, November 1, 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, Steve Ozella and Dan Ortgessen were in attendance. Sheriff Mark Oller, County Engineer Corey Dowd and Menard County Coordinator Dara Worthington were also in attendance.

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

PBSG Member Ortgessen made a motion to approve the October 4, 2023, meeting minutes. Commissioner Hemberger seconded. Motion carried.

There were no citizens for public comment.

County Engineer Dowd reported that the ARPA funded office project had footings for the wall, plumbing and gas lines run, laterals and septic ready. The kit has been delivered and work should begin within the next two weeks. Dowd gave a brief overview of how they plan to deal with the old office once the project is complete and they've moved.

Sheriff Oller reported that the DCEO grant for new courthouse doors for \$25,000 was out for bid with bids due on November 10 and the board scheduled to review the bids and possibly award the project at their November 14 meeting. The DCEO grant for \$200,000 has been approved and is out for signatures. Discussion ensued for the approved projects that are allowable within the Scope of Work and Budget.

New carpeting will also be installed on the second floor of the courthouse in November and December. The Supervisor of Assessments office will receive the new carpet along with the entire south side of that floor. Sheriff Oller will make arrangements for moving the furniture within the offices.

Beechy is scheduled to work on the courthouse dome on Friday, November 10. The courthouse lot will be barricaded at the close of business the day prior to then so that the lift can operate safely with no one around since this day is a holiday for the county. Additional work will also be done on the dome prior to or on the 10th by Hemberger Construction.

Countryside Estates has reported a general cleaning of the mechanical room.

Sunny Acres Nursing Home is exploring the options for repairing or replacing three heat exchangers. PBSG Member Ortgessen was asked to consult with Robert Haerr, Vice President of Facilities, on the proposed project.

Having no further business to discuss, PBSG Member Hemberger made a motion to adjourn the meeting and PBSG Member Ortgessen seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7:16 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Dara Worthington