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The Menard County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, October 27, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at the Menard County Courthouse, 102 S. Seventh Street, Petersburg, Illinois. Commissioners Bob Lott, Jeff Fore, Allan Anderson, Ed Whitcomb and Troy Cummings were physically present. A quorum was present. County Clerk Martha Gum, County Coordinator Dara Worthington, Sheriff Mark Oller and State’s Attorney Gabe Grosboll were present. County Treasurer Pam Bauser was absent.

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

Commissioner Allan Anderson moved to approve the consent agenda which included the regular minutes from the October 13 meeting, the minutes from the special board meeting from October 21 and monthly departmental reports for September. Commissioner Ed Whitcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Scheduled/Unscheduled Guests

There were no scheduled or unscheduled guests present.

Highway Department/Requests for Board Action

Highway Engineer Corey Dowd reviewed his proposed FY2021 budgets with the commissioners. Dowd will update the information and submit the revised documents to the Treasurer. Dowd reported on the plans for Price Street bridge closure.

Sheriff’s Department Report/Requests for Board Action

Sheriff Mark Oller, Chief Deputy Ben Hollis and Administrative Assistant Ann Gorman presented their proposed FY2021 budget for board review. Chairperson Lott expressed appreciation for the detailed information provided through notes given regarding the different line items. Sheriff Oller reports that the jail was currently housing four male inmates.

County Treasurer’s Report/Requests for Board Action

County Coordinator Dara Worthington reported the funds that Treasurer Pam Bauser is still working on.

County Clerk’s Report/Requests for Board Action

County Clerk Marty Gum updated the board on the progress of and plans for the upcoming General Election.

State's Attorney Report/Requests for Board Action

State's Attorney Gabe Grosboll reviewed activities within his office which included: an update on the status of Cresco, an update on the sliver of land off of Curtis Blacktop, the proposed revision to the agreement with Sangamon County for the delivery of Public Health services, and the proposed revisions to the agreement with Heritage Enterprises for nursing home management services to Sunny Acres Nursing Home. State's Attorney Grosboll reported that there are now 23 cases of child abuse/neglect within the county this year along and that there is a jury call scheduled for November.

EMS Department/Requests for Board Action

Chief Mike Burg presented his proposed FY 2021 budget for board review. He requested the opportunity to enter into Executive Session later in the meeting for a personnel matter.

County Coordinator's Report/Requests for Board Action

Coordinator Worthington presented Health Department bills for approval. Commissioner Fore moved to approve the payment. Commissioner Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Worthington presented a Letter of Termination for the Menard County Circuit Clerk whose office term is ending November 30, 2020. The Coordinator also reviewed details of a Directive from the commissioners regarding Administrative Leave. She reported that additional paperwork may be needed for the Highway Engineer's position. Sunny Acres has proposed the purchase of a new steamer for the kitchen at a cost of \$7,180. It was the consensus of the commissioners that they proceed with that purchase. An update was given regarding the progress with reporting claims for the CURES Act.

A sample map was distributed to remind the commissioners that with receipt of information from the new US Census comes redistricting. Brian Hollenkamp has been consulted about this and believes that with the receipt of the shape files from the Census, the process should be fairly straightforward. An attempt should be made to allow for commonality within the five districts as allowed by the population restrictions.

It was reported that new carpeting will be installed in the common areas of the first floor of the Courthouse, Open Enrollment for county health insurance ends October 30, her office is overseeing the county employees' cafeteria plan renewal, and the bill of \$400.00 has been paid for hosting the electronics recycling program for county residents.

Individual Board Members - Report/Requests for Board Action

Commissioner Anderson reported on the Sunny Acres Nursing Home Advisory Board meeting.

Commissioner Whitcomb reported that he has met with Terry Beard, from Sunny Acres, regarding the possible purchase of a new tractor which can be used for snow removal and mowing. They will be seeking bids from the area. Beard himself plans to operate the tractor to perform snow removal which should do away with that cost from their budget.

Other Scheduled Topics

Resolution 34-20 – Deed of Conveyance of County's Interest for Parcel #05-14-213-001. Commissioner Cummings made a motion to approve this action while Commissioner Fore seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 35-20 – Appointment of Ty Willis to the Grove Creek Drainage District to Fulfill Unexpired Term of George Deverman Expiring the First Tuesday of September 2022. Commissioner Whitcomb motioned to approve this action and Commissioner Fore seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

FY21 Salary Increases for Employees/Department Heads

Upon conclusion of discussion of the matter in relation to the Midwest CPI, Commissioner Whitcomb made a motion to provide for a 2% salary increase for FY21. Commissioner Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Auditor's Letter of Understanding & Engagement Letter for Non-Audit Services

Commissioner Cummings made a motion to approve this action while Commissioner Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Executive Session

Commissioner Cummings made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 7:30 PM as allowed by 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1) for the purpose of discussing Personnel. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion.

Adjournment

With no further business coming before the Board, Commissioner Fore made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Commissioner Whitcomb seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 PM.