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The Menard County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, March 30, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at the Menard County Courthouse, 102 S. Seventh Street, Petersburg, Illinois. Commissioners Jeff Fore, Ed Whitcomb, Troy Cummings and Rich Brauer were physically present. A quorum was present. County Clerk Martha Gum, County Treasurer Pam Bauser, and County Coordinator Dara Worthington were also present. Commissioner Bob Lott, State’s Attorney Gabe Grosboll and Sheriff Mark Oller were absent.

Interim Chairperson Jeff Fore called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the Consent Agenda which included the minutes from the March 09, 2021 regular Board Meeting. Commissioner Whitcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried with four ‘ayes’, no ‘nays’ and one absent.

**Scheduled/Unscheduled Guests**

There were no public comments/requests for Board action.

**Highway Department Report/Requests for Board Action**

Corey Dowd, County Engineer, was in attendance and presented a Local Public Agency Agreement for Federal Participation for Project Construction and Construction Engineering for Athens Blacktop, Segment B for approval. Commissioner Whitcomb moved to approve the agreement. Commissioner Brauer seconded the motion. The motion carried with four ‘ayes’, no ‘nays’ and one absent.

He also discussed items such as: Athens Blacktop tree and brush clean up, Sangamon Valley Trail update, and a letter sent to IDOT regarding the Douglas Street project. He also informed the Board that a maintainer will be retiring soon and he had a timeline with which to advertise for the position.

**Zoning Department Report/Requests for Board Action**

Zoning Administrator Jared Streder was in attendance and updated the Board on his office activities which included property complaints and a special use permit for Adam & Amber Helmkamp for a dog kennel/dog daycare at 18911 Stewart Street, Petersburg. Streder reported that the Zoning Board of Appeals had approved the request at a meeting held the previous evening. Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the permit. Commissioner Brauer seconded the motion. The motion carried with four ‘ayes’, no ‘nays’ and one absent.

Tabled – Discussion of Illini Propane, LLC and Petersburg Rural Fire Protection District.

### **Sheriff's Department Report/Request for Board Action**

Chief Deputy Sheriff Ben Hollis was in attendance in Sheriff Oller's absence. He presented information on the following: current jail census at ten inmates, arrival of new squad car, currently operating at full staff, thanked Sangamon County for assistance in the Woodland Lakes Subdivision issue, network upgrades being done at the jail, and future plans for the courthouse internet.

### **County Treasurer's Report/Requests for Board Action**

County Treasurer Pam Bauser was in attendance and presented monthly financial reports for review. Ms. Bauser expressed the concern with communications between the Independent Auditor and some County Department Heads regarding receiving requested audit information. Commissioner Cummings stated he will be in contact with Mr. Feriozzi for further discussion. Treasurer Bauser briefly discussed an old account for the former Menard County Area Development Authority that was closed at the bank. Bauser reported that she had attended a Treasurer's Zone meeting where it was reported the monies the county receives from State cannabis sales can only be used for certain items.

### **County Clerk's Report/Requests for Board Action**

County Clerk Marty Gum presented an application for a fireworks permit for NSPOA, for approval. Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the NSPOA fireworks permit. Commissioner Whitcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried with four 'ayes', no 'nays' and one absent.

She also updated the Board on the current Consolidated Election that will be on April 6, 2021.

### **County Coordinator's Report/Requests for Board Action**

County Coordinator Dara Worthington was in attendance and presented health department bills for approval. Commissioner Whitcomb moved to approve the bills. Commissioner Brauer seconded it. The motion carried with four 'ayes', no 'nays' and one absent.

Coordinator Worthington presented EMS transport log from February for review, a memo from Carrie Magerl regarding the requested letter for Dave Bagot, Probation Annual Plan Approval, and recycling held April 10<sup>th</sup> from 9 to noon.

She requested Executive Session minutes from September 8, 2020 to be opened. Commissioner Brauer moved to approve the request. Commissioner Cummings seconded the motion. The motion carried with four 'ayes', no 'nays' and one absent.

Coordinator Worthington also presented a drafted employee laptop agreement. A brief discussion ensued.

She also briefly discussed personnel policies for Sunny Acres employees indicating a need to utilize one set rather than two. A discussion ensued and Coordinator Worthington stated she will meet with State's Attorney Grosboll for further action.

Mrs. Worthington gave a brief update on the proposed Veterans Affairs Commission. She also touched on a handout from the DuPage County Sheriff's Office, and Greenview High School hosted a COVID19 vaccine clinic with 461 total vaccinations given.

### **Individual Board Members - Report/Requests for Board Action**

Commissioner Cummings updated the Board on the Sunny Acres Advisory Board meeting he attended.

### **Resolution #19-21 The Appointment of Brian Miller to serve on the Menard County Board of Health for a Three-Year Term to Expire May 31, 2024.**

Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the Resolution. Commissioner Brauer seconded the motion. The motion carried with four 'ayes', no 'nays' and one absent. This shall be known as **Resolution #19-21.**

### **Executive Session**

Commissioner Cummings moved to enter into executive session to discuss issues as allowed by (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) at 7:32 p.m. Commissioner Whitcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried with four 'ayes', no 'nays' and one absent.

### **Adjournment**

With no other business coming before the Board, Commissioner Cummings moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m. Commissioner Brauer seconded the motion. The motion carried with four 'ayes', no 'nays' and one absent.