COUNTY OF MENARD)) SS. STATE OF ILLINOIS)

The Menard County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, **October 13, 2020** at 6:00 p.m. at the Menard County Courthouse, 102 S. Seventh Street, Petersburg, Illinois. Commissioners Bob Lott, Jeff Fore, Ed Whitcomb, Allan Anderson, and Troy Cummings were physically present. A quorum was present. County Treasurer Pam Bauser, County Clerk Marty Gum, State's Attorney Gabe Grosboll, County Coordinator Dara Worthington and Sheriff Mark Oller were also present.

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

Commissioner Whitcomb moved to approve the consent agenda which included the regular minutes and executive session minutes from the September 29, 2020 and monthly departmental reports for September. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Scheduled/Unscheduled Guests Report/Requests for Board Action

Dr. Terry O'Brien, Menard County Animal Control Administrator, was in attendance and thanked the Board for giving him the opportunity to be the Administrator. He also presented and discussed his goals for Animal Control. Dr. O'Brien would like to employ two full time employees, for on call availability on the weekends and after hours. He discussed options for revenue, the possibility of increasing Animal Control's budget to cover the new full-time employee, and surrounding towns and villages having animal control patrols again.

Highway Department Report/Requests for Board Action

County Engineer Corey Dowd provided an overview of activities within his Department and presented the Joint Agreement for Douglas Street Bridge Replacement Section 18-00069-00-BR for approval. Commissioner Anderson moved to approve the agreement. Commissioner Whitcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Sheriff's Department Report/Requests for Board Action

County Sheriff Mark Oller presented his drafted Budget for the Board to review and discuss at the next meeting. It was determined that this budget will be updated with notes and mailed to the commissioners for their review prior to the next meeting.

County Treasurer's Report/Requests for Board Action

County Treasurer Pam Bauser was in attendance and presented August financials for review, discussed the real estate taxes paid this year, and informed the Board the that

tax sale will be held October 21, 2020. She presented budgets for FY21 for review and discussion.

County Clerk's Report/Requests for Board Action

County Clerk Marty Gum was in attendance and updated the Board on her office activities.

State's Attorney Report/Requests for Board Action

State's Attorney Gabe Grosboll updated the Board on the sliver of land, and the recommendation of Attorney Jerry Tice. State's Attorney Grosboll requested Board approval to contact each property owner with the quit claim proposal. Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the request. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

County Coordinator's Report/Requests for Board Action

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

She presented information on continuing the membership with the Illinois Association of County Officials for next year. Commissioner Anderson moved to approve the membership. Commissioner Cummings seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Coordinator Worthington requested Executive Session minutes from September 10, 2019 and October 8, 2019 remain closed. Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the request. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Worthington briefed the Board on the following: IDPH's COVID testing, the Cures Act, and a bill from our insurance, regarding the lawsuit against two county elected officials.

Individual Board Members - Report/Requests for Board Action

Commissioner Cummings inquired about Cresco Labs. A brief discussion ensued. State's Attorney Grosboll will inquire with the other county's State's Attorney's as to determining the future of this funding.

Commissioner Fore passed along a 'thank you" from the pavilion company that's installing the pavilion at Sunny Acres.

Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Planning & Preparation including discussion of the following: Special Revenue & Fiduciary Fund Preparation & Review, as needed & General Fund Budget Preparation & Review, as needed.

Department's FY2021 proposed budgets were reviewed and discussed.

Executive Session

Commissioner Cummings moved to enter into executive session to discuss negotiations as allowed by (5 ILCS 120/2)(C)(2) at 7:51 p.m. Commissioner Whitcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

With no other business coming before the Board, Commissioner Anderson moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.