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The Menard County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, April 26, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at the Menard County Courthouse, 102 S. Seventh Street, Petersburg, Illinois. Commissioners Jeff Fore, Troy Cummings and Rich Brauer were physically present. A quorum was present. County Clerk Martha Gum, County Coordinator Dara Worthington, State’s Attorney Gabe Grosboll, Treasurer Pam Bauser, and Sheriff Mark Oller were also present. Commissioners Bob Lott and Ed Whitcomb were both 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 29, 2022 and April 12, 2022 regular Board Meetings. Commissioner Brauer seconded the motion. The motion carried with three ‘ayes’, no ‘nays’ and two absent.

Scheduled/Unscheduled Guests

Jacob Janssen, Client Services Representative from Snedeker Risk Management, gave an update on the Hope Trust coverage. He will be in contact with the county regarding holding employee meetings regarding the providers/benefits.

Betty Arnold, a concerned citizen, was in attendance to discuss the current building condition of Sunny Acres Nursing Home, and the staffing.

Zoning Department Report/Requests for Board Action

Jayne Ray, Zoning Administrator, was in attendance and presented information regarding a Special Use Permit for Kyle and Rebecca Ford for a dog kennel in an agricultural district. Commissioner Brauer moved to approve the Special Use Permit. Commissioner Cummings seconded the motion. The motion carried with three ‘ayes’, no ‘nays’ and two absent.

Highway Department

County Engineer Corey Dowd was in attendance and briefed the Board on the current job applicants for the Highway Maintainer Position noting the deadline to apply is Friday, April 29th. He also presented a letter of resignation for Road District #1 clerk, Larry Eimer, and discussed current projects within his department.

Sheriff’s Department Report/Requests for Board Action

Sheriff Mark Oller was in attendance and updated the Board reporting the current jail census was at eight total inmates. He also informed the Board that the remodel of 911

dispatch area at the jail is complete. Sheriff Oller discussed the City of Petersburg's police staffing issues, noting the lack of patrol coverage and the County covering for them. A discussion ensued with regard to funding for the extra patrol coverage and setting up a meeting with the Mayor and City Council.

Treasurer's Report/Requests for Board Action

Treasurer Pam Bauser was in attendance and presented financials for review and discussion.

County Clerk Report/Request for Board Action

County Clerk Martha Gum was in attendance and presented a liquor license for approval. Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the license. Commissioner Brauer seconded the motion. The motion carried with three 'ayes', no 'nays' and two absent.

State's Attorney Report/Requests for Board Action

State's Attorney Gabe Grosboll informed the Board that the Village of Oakford submitted their ARPA funding request and that more work was needed on the proposed project, Grosboll provided a brief overview of pre-trial services meeting he attended.

County Coordinator's Report/Requests for Board Action

Coordinator Worthington presented Health Department bills to be paid. Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the bills. Commissioner Brauer seconded the motion. The motion carried with three 'ayes', no 'nays' and two absent.

She requested Executive Session minutes from October 12, 2021 be opened. Commissioner Brauer moved to approve the request. Commissioner Cummings seconded the motion. The motion carried with three 'ayes', no 'nays' and two absent.

Coordinator Worthington also touched on items that included: the Sunny Acres Nursing Home shower rooms remodeling project, fencing, the window replacement project for courthouse, and the GATA questionnaire. Worthington noted she's reached out to both the independent auditor and treasurer for assistance with the new Internal Controls Questionnaire. assistance from Treasurer Bauser. Other items discussed were the need for another revised ordinance for the Sheriff's new salary, effective December 1, 2023 per Governor's bill and Craig Reincke stepping down from Menard County Economic Development.

Individual Board Members - Report/Requests for Board Action

Commissioner Cummings discussed the Sunny Acres Advisory Board meeting he attended, with the current census at Sunny Acres being 80.

Approval of room rate increase for Sunny Acres Nursing Home. Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the rate increases as presented. Commissioner Brauer seconded the motion. The motion carried with three 'ayes', no 'nays' and two absent.

Approval of FY22 Senior Health Assistance Program. Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the program. Commissioner Brauer seconded the motion. The motion carried with three 'ayes', no 'nays' and two absent.

Resolution #22-22 – Reappointment of William Buchanan as Trustee to the Tallula Fire Protection District for a Three-Year Term expiring the First Monday in May 2025. Commissioner Brauer moved to approve the Resolution. Commissioner Cummings seconded the motion. The motion carried with three 'ayes', no 'nays' and two absent. This shall be known as **Resolution #22-22**.

Ordinance #23-22 – ARPA Spending Authorization for computers. Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the Ordinance. Commissioner Brauer seconded the motion. The motion carried with three 'ayes', no 'nays' and two absent. This shall be known as Ordinance #23-22.

Executive Session

Commissioner Cummings moved to enter into executive session to discuss issues as allowed by (5 ILCS 120/2(C)(1) at 7:27 p.m. Commissioner Brauer seconded the motion. The motion carried with three 'ayes', no 'nays' and two absent.

Adjournment

With no other business coming before the Board, Commissioner Brauer moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 p.m. Commissioner Cummings seconded the motion. The motion carried with three 'ayes', no 'nays' and two absent.