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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, February 1, 2023, at the Menard County Courthouse located at 102 South Seventh Street, Petersburg. Menard County Commissioner Ed Whitcomb, PBSG Member Joe Hemberger, and PBSG Member Steve Ozella were in attendance. Coordinator Dara Worthington and Menard County Engineer Corey Dowd were also in attendance.

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

PBSG Member Hemberger made a motion to approve the January 4, 2023, meeting minutes. Menard County Commissioner Whitcomb seconded. Motion carried.

There were no citizens for public comment.

County Engineer Dowd introduced the proposed new highway office building plans for review along with the standard agreement specs. It was stated that the estimated cost for the structure was \$400,000 which did not include septic and utilities. There was discussion on the timeline for the project.

PBSG Member Hemberger made a motion to approve the Highway Department Office Building Project contingent upon any issues which might be brought to their attention. Menard County Commissioner Whitcomb seconded the motion. Motion carried.

PBSG Member Ozella reported that he and Brandon Walker made an onsite visit to the courthouse to explore uplifting the building. They would like to visit again and be able to gain entrance to the dome on a warmer day. Upon review of his findings, Mr. Walker will provide a potential design for the project. They would like to meet with Sheriff Oller. The estimated cost for the proposal is \$20,000.

PBSG Member Ozella reported that he had viewed the outside wood surround of the west door of the courthouse and that work is required.

The members requested that Sheriff Oller speak with the contractor for doors to determine ARPA pricing.

Coordinator Worthington provided an update on the DCEO grants and their new requirements due to the designation of the building being in the historical district of Petersburg. She also updated the board members on Countryside Estates and Sunny Acres Nursing Home.

With no further business going before the board, PBSG Member Hemberger made a motion to adjourn, and Menard County Commissioner Whitcomb seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7:14 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Dara Worthington