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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, March 1, 2023, at the Menard County Courthouse located at 102 South Seventh Street, Petersburg. Menard County Commissioner Bob Lott, PBSG Member Joe Hemberger, and PBSG Member Steve Ozella were in attendance. Coordinator Dara Worthington, Menard County Sheriff Mark Oller, and Menard County Engineer Corey Dowd were also in attendance.

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

Menard County Commissioner Bob Lott 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 presented the timeline for the Request for Bids process for the new Menard County Highway Department office. The plans for the septic system were discussed in detail.

Coordinator Worthington reported that two DCEO grants had been approved with one being in the amount of \$200,000 and the second in the amount of \$25,000. When the final paperwork is received in a few days, it is the intent of the county to change the Scope of Work, if possible, due to constraints being placed upon the window product.

Sheriff Oller reported on plans for the new courthouse doors as a part of the DCEO grants. PBSG Member Ozella and PBSG Member Hemberger suggested that the west side of the building be addressed at the same time a new door was installed. Commissioner Lott requested that the county's insurance company be consulted about the new keyless entry system being proposed. It was noted that bids will need to be secured for the new doors due to the amount of the project being over \$30,000.

A bid for courthouse uplighting was distributed and review by members. Upon conclusion of the discussion, it was the consensus of the Public Building Study Group to recommend the county proceed with uplighting the courthouse in order to enhance the appearance of the town square for local businesses within the community.

Menard County Engineer Dowd was directed to order signage for the Menard County Animal Control Building.

With no further business going before the board, PBSG Member Hemberger made a motion to adjourn, and Menard County Commissioner Lott seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Dara Worthington