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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, October 2, 2024, at the Menard County Courthouse, 102 South Seventh Street, Petersburg. Menard County Commissioners Bob Lott and Ed Whitcomb along with PBSG members Steve Ozella, Joe Hemberger, and Dan Ortgessen were in attendance. The new Property Maintenance Specialist, Randy Kinney, was in attendance along with Sheriff Mark Oller and Menard County Coordinator Dara Worthington. Architect Joe Petty was also in attendance.

PBSG Chair Ozella called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

PBSG Member Dan Ortgessen made a motion to approve minutes from September 10, 2024, meeting. PBSG Member Joe Hemberger seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There were no citizens for public comment.

Architect Joe Petty reported on a meeting he had attended with Judge Atterberry, State's Attorney Gabe Gros boll and Molly, who is with the Circuit Court system. They learned that each county in the state is receiving \$3,000 for ADA work in courtrooms. A new sound system which includes new television, microphones and speakers is being installed in the courtroom in mid to late October. Additional remodeling work will be planned around the new installations. Petty reported that his plans for the courtroom are 95% complete and that they must be approved by a committee. Plans should allow for full accessibility negating the need for a waiver due to the age/historical features of the building. Courtroom bid documents should be published sometime in November/December of this year with the project lasting five to six months.

Bids should go out for the work on the dome in January of 2025 so that work can begin in the spring. Petty will have mandatory pre-bid meetings on the projects. The window project for the courthouse is ready to go out to bid with a lead time needed of 12 weeks after approval after the shop drawings are approved. The estimate for the windows only is \$695,000. That figure does not include any damage to the interior during removal and installation and does not include asbestos testing or mitigation. Most of the windows being bid are fixed and do not open. A bid will be issued for a general contractor to repair the damage done during removal and installation.

Work will begin on the roof of the jail on October 8. They will start by power washing the roof to clean it and then be able to complete the repairs. The repair work should last approximately five days. At this point in time, Architect Petty left the meeting.

Work on Sunny Acres was discussed next with a general outline given of the scope of work for the resident rooms and the new shed. It was noted that the current dock strikes may have an impact on the project.

Coordinator Worthington provided an update on the DCEO grant, reporting that an extension to the grant had been requested and approved. Worthington also reported on the status of the old Highway Department office building planned demolition and work that Randy Kinney had completed on the EMS office building. An update was also given on the ETA for Doug Flanders to start back up on the exterior of the building.

Sheriff Oller provide a narrative on the house that his department had received through an estate. He reported that though the current occupants had requested being able to continue to rent, they were notified that renting will not be approved. Oller requested that members of the committee view the structure and give their opinion

on the soundness of the property. If torn down, a demolition permit will be required from the City of Petersburg. Oller will be checking with Keppler to get a rough estimate of the charge for demolition of the house.

Having no further business to discuss, PBSG Member Dan Ortgessen made a motion to adjourn the meeting while PBSG Member Joe Hemberger seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 10:06 AM

Respectfully submitted,

Dara Worthington