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The Menard County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, November 30, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at the Menard County Courthouse, 102 S. Seventh Street, Petersburg, Illinois. Commissioners Bob Lott, Jeff Fore, Ed Whitcomb and Rich Brauer were physically present. A quorum was present. County Treasurer Pam Bauser and County Coordinator Dara Worthington were also present. Commissioner Troy Cummings, County Clerk Martha Gum and Sheriff Mark Oller were absent.

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

Commissioner Brauer moved to approve the consent agenda which included minutes from the November 9, 2021 Regular Board Meeting and Executive Session, along with Special Meeting minutes from November 19, 2021. Also included, were the monthly Departmental reports for October 2021. Commissioner Whitcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried with four ‘ayes’ no ‘nays’ and one absent.

Scheduled/Unscheduled Guests

Dick Moss and Dan Williams, members from the Menard County Tourism Council, were in attendance to present information and requests for ARPA funding.

Terri Treacy and Jerry Boutelle, members from Menard County Trails & Greenways, were in attendance to present information and request ARPA funding.

Sarah Hoskins, Sunny Acres Nursing Home Administrator was absent. Commissioner Brauer discussed the geothermal heating system that is in need of repairs and the possibility of adding units to each room instead of trying to work on an old system. He also stated they have been successful in hiring new staff. A discussion ensued regarding Heritage staffing benefit transfer options and eligibility date for health insurance coverage.

Highway Department’s Report/Requests for Board Action

Highway Engineer Corey Dowd was in attendance and requested an adjustment to the Highway’s personnel compensation. He reported that the Union Representative would be adding a writer to the current contract, based upon the consensus of the Board.

Commissioner Whitcomb moved to approve the requested adjustment to the Highway’s personnel compensation. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried with four ‘ayes’, no ‘nays’ and one absent.

Sheriff's Report/Requests for Board Action

Chief Deputy Sheriff Ben Hollis was in attendance in Sheriff Mark Oller's absence. Mr. Hollis updated the Board on the current jail census at nine total inmates. He reported on a department vehicle vs. deer accident with the vehicle being totaled resulting in the need for a replacement vehicle. The funding balance for payment of that vehicle will be coming out of the FY21 budget. Chief Deputy Sheriff Hollis also discussed the current 911 contract with Cushing, a vendor that handles the CAD. Hollis explained that Cushing is failing to deliver a workable product. He briefly discussed another possible vendor that could provide that same service for the county and a discussion ensued with regard to pricing information and obtaining more bids.

County Treasurer's Report/Requests for Board Action

County Treasurer Pam Bauser was in attendance and presented monthly financials for review. She also discussed the tax distributions.

State's Attorney Report/Requests for Board Action

County Coordinator Dara Worthington reported in State's Attorney Gabe Grosboll's absence. The Resolution for the Reapportionment of County Map Delineating the County Commissioner's Districts was presented for final review and comment.

Resolution #45-21 – Approval of Reapportionment Map Delineating County Commissioner Districts. Commissioner Brauer moved to approve the Resolution. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried with four 'ayes', no 'nays' and one absent. This shall be known as **Resolution #45-21**.

County Coordinator's – Report/Requests for Board Action

County Coordinator Dara Worthington was in attendance and presented Health Department bills for review and payment approval. Commissioner Fore moved to approve the bill. Commissioner Whitcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried with four 'ayes', no 'nays' and one absent.

Coordinator Worthington also discussed items that included: Sangamon Menard Area Regional Transport report, lagoon update, UCCI meeting, environmental health meeting with Sangamon County, cybersecurity as it relates to ARPA and insurance. Mrs. Worthington also discussed the Illinois Attorney General's request for local government support for the OPIOD settlement, and questioned the Board on filing for settlement funds. A brief discussion ensued.

Individual Board Members - Report/Requests for Board Action

Commissioner Fore discussed the zoning issues that are being addressed.

Commissioner Lott stated some of the ARPA requests need to be eliminated, reviewed and discussed.

Resolution #46-21 – Reappointment of Daniel Schirding, Pat Rebbe and Ron Cooley to ETSB for a Three-Year Term Expiring December 1, 2024. Commissioner Fore moved to approve the Resolution. Commissioner Whitcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried with four ‘ayes’, no ‘nays’ and one absent. This shall be known as **Resolution #46-21**.

Resolution #47-21 – Reappointment of Dave King, Ben Hollis and Rich Brauer to ETSB for a Four-Year Term Expiring December 1, 2025. Commissioner Fore moved to approve the Resolution. Commissioner Whitcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried with four ‘ayes’, no ‘nays’ and one absent. This shall be known as **Resolution #47-21**.

Resolution #48-21 – Appointment of Kevin Standley to ETSB for a Four-Year Term Expiring December 1, 2025. Commissioner Whitcomb moved to approve the Resolution. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried with four ‘ayes’, no ‘nays’ and one absent. This shall be known as **Resolution #48-21**.

Resolution #49-21 – Reappointment of Terry Cutright to the Menard County Rescue Squad District Board for a Three-Year term Expiring the Second Monday in December 2024. Commissioner Fore moved to approve the Resolution. Commissioner Brauer seconded the motion. The motion carried with four ‘ayes’, no ‘nays’ and one absent. This shall be known as **Resolution #49-21**.

Ordinance #50-21 - Fiscal Year 2022 Budget Adoption

Commissioner Whitcomb moved to approve an ordinance adopting the Fiscal Year 2022 budget. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried with four ‘ayes’ no ‘nays’ and one absent. The ordinance shall be known as **Ordinance #50-21**.

Resolution #51-21 through Resolution #63-21 – Fiscal Year 2022 Tax Levies. Commissioner Fore moved to approve the FY22 Tax Levies. Commissioner Brauer seconded the motion. The motion carried with four ‘ayes’ no ‘nays’ and one absent. They shall be known as **Resolutions #51-21 through #63-21**.

Adjournment

With no other business coming before the Board, Commissioner Brauer moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 p.m. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried with four ‘ayes’, no ‘nays’ and one absent.