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The Menard County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, March 31, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. at the Menard County Courthouse, 102 S. Seventh Street, Petersburg, Illinois. Commissioners Bob Lott, Jeff Fore, Allan Anderson, Ed Whitcomb and Troy Cummings were physically present. A quorum was present. County Treasurer Pam Bauser, County Clerk Patricia Duncheon, and County Coordinator Dara Worthington were also present.

Chairperson Bob Lott 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 10, 2015 regular Board Meeting and the monthly department expense report for February 2015. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mike Feriozzi, County Auditor was present and discussed various items such as: budget line items and the Sunny Acres transition.

**Hearing of Citizens (Public Comments/Requests for Board Action)**

There were no public comments/requests for Board action.

**Highway Department Report/Requests for Board Action**

Tom Casson, County Engineer, was present and discussed monthly bills for February 2015, a State bid for a pick-up truck, and seasonal weight limits on County roads which will be ending on April 15<sup>th</sup>. He also noted that IDOT has selected Menard County for the 2015 NBIS (National Bridge Inspection Standards) Quality Assurance Review.

Jason LeMar, County Assessor, was in attendance along with Brian Hollenkamp, County Zoning/GIS Administrator, to present a contractual lease for a plotter/scanner dedicated for GIS mapping use. Commissioner Fore moved to approve the contract for the leased plotter/scanner. Commissioner Whitcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Dara Worthington presented a proposal for website software from Hanson. Commissioner Fore moved to approve the purchase of website software to move to a content management based website. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Health Department Report/Requests for Board Action**

Mr. Jim Stone, Director of the Sangamon County Department of Public Health, was in attendance and updated the Board on the clinic space at Menard Medical Center. He noted that work on the space will begin within the week. He also informed the Board that we will need to amend the water well ordinance in order to be in compliance with the State's updated codes.

Mr. Stone presented a Noxious Weed Ordinance for approval and discussion. Mr. Stone stated that Allen Alexander from the Sangamon County Department of Public Health will be the Superintendent of this ordinance. The County Coordinator stated that this is a state mandated ordinance and as such was recommended for approval by the State's Attorney. A lengthy discussion ensued regarding the possible problems and exceptions that may occur with this ordinance.

### **Ordinance #08-15- Presentation of Noxious Weed Ordinance**

Commissioner Whitcomb moved to approve the Noxious Weed Ordinance. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. This shall be known as **Ordinance #08-15**.

### **Sunny Acres Nursing Home Report/Requests for Board Action**

Dianne Cochran, Sunny Acres Nursing Home Administrator, along with Cheryl Lowney of Heritage Enterprises were in attendance. Dianne presented and discussed the current census along with proposed room rate increases. It was noted that the Sunny Acres Advisory Board had reviewed and approved the proposed increases to room rates as presented. Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the room rate increases. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Cochran presented projected costs of improvements that need to be done at Sunny Acres. The Sunny Acres Advisory Board would like the Board to give the OK for the go ahead with any project under \$30,000, as long as projects are bid out for the best prices. A brief discussion ensued.

There was a discussion regarding the current Health Insurance Plan for Sunny Acres employees with regard to the County's Health Insurance. It was decided that the human resources representative from Heritage will make contact with the County Coordinator regarding a sit down meeting with the HOPE Trust representative.

### **County Treasurer's Report/Requests for Board Action**

County Treasurer Pam Bauser was in attendance and presented monthly reports for Board review. Ms. Bauser went over activities within her office. She also requested approval for line item transfers for the jail. Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the requested line item transfers. Commissioner Whitcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

### **EMS/EMA Report/Request for Board Action**

EMS/EMA Administrator Mike Burg was in attendance and went over activities within his office. He was directed to see about removing and selling the lift from the former medivan so that this van could be utilized for body transport.

### **County Clerk's Report/Requests for Board Action**

County Clerk Patricia Duncheon presented an application for a fireworks display permit for NSPOA, which has been reviewed by Ben Hollis and looked over/approved by State's Attorney Kevin Tippey. Commissioner Fore moved to approve the NSPOA fireworks display. Commissioner Cummings seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

She also presented a Resolution to reappoint Reggie Dowell to a three year term as a Trustee of the Menard County Cemetery Maintenance District.

### **Resolution #09-15 – To appoint Reggie Dowell to a Three Year Term as Trustee for the Menard County Cemetery Maintenance District.**

Commissioner Whitcomb moved to approve the Resolution. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. This shall be known as **Resolution #09-15.**

County Clerk Duncheon also presented a Resolution to reappoint Henry H. Schirding to a three year term as a Trustee of the Petersburg Community Fire Protection District.

### **Resolution #10-15 – To appoint Henry H. Schirding to a Three Year as Trustee of the Petersburg Community Fire Protection District.**

Commissioner Fore move to approve the Resolution. Commissioner Cummings seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. This shall be known as **Resolution #10-15.**

County Clerk Duncheon also informed the Board that letters have been sent out to current Fence Viewers. She will present a list of them at the next meeting. She also stated that the upcoming Consolidated Election for April 7<sup>th</sup> is in progress and she is currently preparing for two more special elections to be held in the near future for the replacement of Representative Aaron Schock.

### **County Coordinator's Report/Requests for Board Action**

County Coordinator Dara Worthington was in attendance and updated the Board on various items that included contacting Department of Agriculture in regards to receiving a formal decision on the Grigsby Livestock Management Facility. It was reported that a IDOA decision should be received by April 17<sup>th</sup>.

Coordinator Worthington requested the Board open Executive Minutes from September 9, 2014 and September 30, 2014. Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the opening of September 9, 2014 Executive Minutes. Commissioner Whitcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Anderson moved to approve the opening of Executive Minutes from September 30, 2014. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

She presented a quote from Hanson for new anti-virus software. Commissioner Whitcomb moved to approve the new anti-virus software. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Coordinator Worthington presented the Board with a current listing of County Committee members and terms. She stated that a lot of the terms will be up and members need to be contacted. She will also be attending a Rural Transportation Conference in the upcoming week.

#### **Individual Board Members - Report/Requests for Board Action**

Commissioner Whitcomb stated he went to the EMS building with Kevin Miller regarding the upcoming new EMS construction project.

Commissioner Cummings reported that he had attended two UCCI meetings and discussed those meetings.

#### **Resolution #11-15 The appointment of Allen Alexander to the position of Weed Control Superintendent.**

Commissioner Cummings moved to approve the Resolution. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. This shall be known as **Resolution #11-15.**

#### **Tabled - Approval of Sunny Acres Roof Project**

#### **Resolution #12-15 The Re-Appointment of Tom Eldridge to serve a Five Year Term on the Menard County Zoning Board of Appeals.**

Commissioner Whitcomb moved to approve the Resolution. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. This shall be known as **Resolution #12-15.**

## **Adjournment**

With no other business coming before the Board, Commissioner Anderson moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.