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The Menard County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, December 29, 2009, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Room of the Menard County Courthouse, Petersburg, Illinois. Commissioners Merle Kirby, Barb Kyes, Jeff Fore and Bob Lott were present at the meeting. Commissioner Ed Whitcomb was not in attendance. County Clerk Gene Treseler, State's Attorney Ken Baumgarten and County Coordinator Steve Duncan were also in attendance.

Commissioner Kirby called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Public Hearing – FY 2010 Property Tax Levies

Chairperson Kirby opened the public hearing for the Fiscal Year 2010 property tax levies. As there were no public comments, Commissioner Lott moved to close the public hearing. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried with four "ayes", no "nays" and one absent.

Consent Agenda

Commissioner Fore moved to approve the consent agenda which included the minutes from the December 8, 2009 regularly scheduled Board meeting and the monthly department expense report for November 2009, as presented. Commissioner Kyes seconded the motion. The motion carried with four "ayes", no "nays" and one absent.

BLH Computers/Electronics Recycling

Brian Dickerson, BLH Computers, Inc. was not in attendance, per the agenda.

Unscheduled Public Comments

There were no unscheduled public comments.

Health Department Report/Requests for Board Action

Health Department Administrator Alicia Davis informed the Board that the State of Illinois owed the Health Department approximately \$44,000. She informed that \$6,000 in grant funds that she was able to obtain for Sheriff's Department equipment was in transit. She informed that seasonal and H1N1 flu shots were still available. She provided an update on the status of other grants and a brief overview of Health Department finances.

Commissioner Fore asked about providing infant CPR training for potential babysitters. He was informed that the EMS Department couldn't certify individuals under the age of 14 but could provide training and have provided such training in the past. Mr. Graf stated that he had asked the paper to run an article every month with training dates. Commissioner Fore asked Mr. Graf to look into providing such training for potential babysitters. Chairman Kirby directed Mr. Graf to work up a press release regarding training opportunities.

EMS/Community Services Department Report/Requests for Board Action

EMS Administrator Larry Graf and Community Services Administrator/EMS Fiscal Officer Dara Worthington were in attendance. Ms. Worthington presented an overview of various EMS Department financial report handouts. Transport logs were presented to the Board. Ms. Worthington pointed out that the unaudited results indicate that the EMS Fund balance should end with a surplus of around \$117,073 for Fiscal Year 2009. She informed that ABC, the EMS Department's third-party billing company, still needed to reimburse \$2,000 that was promised if EMS purchased computer hardware/billing software for the ambulances.

There was a discussion about pursuing funding for an "emergency operations center" facility. There was discussion about including the Health and EMS Departments in such a facility. There was discussion of

whether 911 dispatching should also be re-located to such a facility. Ms. Worthington pointed out that she needed direction on what exactly the County was looking to do as such details were needed when applying for grant funding or loan programs. The consensus of the Board was to proceed with trying to obtain funding for such a facility.

Mr. Graf presented a letter from Menard County supporting the "V.I.A.L of Life" program. He stated that disaster mitigation planning would be on-going throughout the coming year.

County Clerk's Report/Request for Board Action

County Clerk Treseler presented the semi-annual reports of official fees and emoluments from the elected offices of Sheriff, Circuit Clerk, County Treasurer and County Clerk and stated they were available for public viewing. He spent time providing an overview of some proposed election laws that may be implemented by the State of Illinois.

State's Attorney Report/Request for Board Action

There were no report/requests.

County Coordinator's Report/Request for Board Action

Mr. Duncan presented executive session minutes from meetings held on June 9, 2009, June 16, 2009 and June 30, 2009. Commissioner Lott moved to approve and open all these executive session minutes, as prepared. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried with four "ayes", no "nays" and one absent.

Mr. Duncan passed out various mailings and handouts that had been sent to the Board including financial statements provided by the Menard County Fair Board. He informed the Board that he had been informed of 120 complaints/appeals being filed with the Menard County Board of Review. He informed the Board of a new computer that had been purchased for the Circuit Clerk's office. He informed the Board that, if there were no objections, he would work with Brian Dickerson, of BLH Computers, Inc., to work on a written agreement to provide electronics recycling events for the County. There were no objections.

Individual Board Members - Report/Requests for Board Action

There were no reports/requests.

Resolutions Re: FY 2010 Property Tax Levies

County Clerk Gene Treseler presented the County Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for FY 2010.

Commissioner Kyes moved to approve the County Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for FY 2010. Commissioner Lott seconded the motion. The motion carried with four "ayes", no "nays" and one absent and shall be known as **Resolution 52-09**.

County Clerk Treseler presented the tax levy summaries for the Fiscal Year December 1, 2009 to November 30, 2010 to be approved by the Board as follows:

- **Resolution 53-09** - General Fund in the amount of \$780,000 or as much as may be extended within the maximum rate limitations (.4350) provided by statute. Commissioner Lott moved to approve the general fund tax levy. Commissioner Kyes seconded the motion. The motion carried with four "ayes", no "nays" and one absent.

- **Resolution 54-09** – Social Security & Retirement Fund in the amount of \$500,000. Commissioner Fore moved to approve the social security & retirement fund tax levy. Commissioner Lott seconded the motion. The motion carried with four “ayes”, no “nays” and one absent.
- **Resolution 55-09** - Liability Insurance Fund in the amount of \$190,000. Commissioner Kyes moved to approve the liability insurance fund tax levy. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried with four “ayes”, no “nays” and one absent.
- **Resolution 56-09** - Ambulance Service Fund in the amount of \$300,000 or as much as may be extended at a rate of (.2500). Commissioner Lott moved to approve the ambulance service fund tax levy. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried with four “ayes”, no “nays” and one absent.
- **Resolution 57-09** - Tuberculosis Fund in the amount of \$8,000 or as much as may be extended at a rate of (.0075). Commissioner Fore moved to approve the tuberculosis fund tax levy. Commissioner Kyes seconded the motion. The motion carried with four “ayes”, no “nays” and one absent.
- **Resolution 58-09** - County Fair Fund in the amount of \$34,700 or as much as may be extended at a rate of (.0200). Commissioner Kyes moved to approve the county fair fund tax levy. Commissioner Lott seconded the motion. The motion carried with four “ayes”, no “nays” and one absent.
- **Resolution 59-09** - County Bridge Fund in the amount of \$114,209 or as a levy not to exceed (.0500). Commissioner Lott moved to approve the county bridge fund tax levy. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried with four “ayes”, no “nays” and one absent.
- **Resolution 60-09** - Federal Aid Matching Fund in the amount of \$114,209 or as a levy not to exceed (.0500). Commissioner Fore moved to approve the federal aid matching fund tax levy. Commissioner Kyes seconded the motion. The motion carried with four “ayes”, no “nays” and one absent.
- **Resolution 61-09** - County Highway Fund in the amount of \$235,270 or as a levy not to exceed (.1030). Commissioner Kyes moved to approve the county highway fund tax levy. Commissioner Lott seconded the motion. The motion carried with four “ayes”, no “nays” and one absent.
- **Resolution 62-09** – County Repair & Maintenance Fund in the amount of \$114,209 or as a levy not to exceed (.0500). Commissioner Lott moved to approve the county repair & maintenance fund tax levy. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried with four “ayes”, no “nays” and one absent.
- **Resolution 63-09** – Cooperative Extension Service Fund in the amount of \$26,500 or as much as may be extended at a rate of (.0500). Commissioner Fore moved to approve the cooperative extension service fund tax levy. Commissioner Kyes seconded the motion. The motion carried with four “ayes”, no “nays” and one absent.
- **Resolution 64-09** - General Assistance Fund in the amount of \$42,000 or as much as may be extended at a rate of (.1000). Commissioner Kyes moved to approve the general assistance fund tax levy. Commissioner Lott seconded the motion. The motion carried with four “ayes”, no “nays” and one absent.

Resolution – Re-Appointment of Jim Orum to Menard County Planning Commission

Commissioner Kyes moved to approve a resolution to re-appoint Jim Orum to the Menard County Planning Commission for three year term to expire December 31, 2012. Commissioner Lott seconded the motion. The motion carried with four “ayes”, no “nays” and one absent. The resolution shall be known as **Resolution 65-09**.

Menard County Tourism Council – Request for Release of Hotel/Motel Tax

Commissioner Lott moved to approve releasing \$1,500 of hotel/motel tax revenues to the Menard County Tourism Council to be used as promotional funds for the 2010 Athens Festival. Commissioner Fore seconded the motion. The motion carried with four “ayes”, no “nays” and one absent.

Executive Session

There was no executive session held at this meeting.

Adjournment

With no other business coming before the Board, Commissioner Lott moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:23 a.m. Commissioner Kyes seconded the motion. The motion carried with four “ayes”, no “nays” and one absent.