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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, May 4, 2022 in the boardroom of the Menard County Courthouse located at 102 South Seventh Street, Petersburg. Menard County Commissioner Ed Whitcomb, PBSG Member Steve Ozella, PBSG Member Joe Hemberger, and PBSG Member Dan Ortgessen were in attendance. Coordinator Dara Worthington was also in attendance.

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

PBSG Member Hemberger made a motion to approve the April 6, 2022 meeting minutes. PBSG Member Ortgessen seconded. Motion carried.

A brief update was given on the two grants being administered through DCEO. It was reported that additional grant funds may be appropriated to Menard County as a result of the closing of Lincoln College. Sheriff Oller and Coordinator Worthington met with Jared Heller of the Farnsworth Group and Mr. Heller had put together a proposal which has been submitted to the State's Attorney and will be submitted to the County Board for possible approval. If approved, Mr. Heller will assist with the RFP process for these grants as well as review the work. PBSG Member Hemberger indicated that he could have Don Shimkus come and take a look at the doors while he was on-site the next day.

It was relayed to the members that the County is still waiting for project plans and that information would be given to the PBSG Board upon receipt.

Fencing was discussed next with a bid disseminated to the Board from Allied Fence. A sample of the proposed fence product was viewed by members. PBSG Member Ortgessen questioned the impact of the proposed fencing on the cooler intake and indicated that measurements would need to be taken to ensure efficient operation of the cooler unit. Ortgessen also requested a possible bid from Goodman Fence so that there would be something to compare to the Allied Fence bid. PBSG Member Ozella requested information on fading and the warranty. It was reported that outdoor dining will also be taking place at Broadgauge resulting in the need to store the dumpster inside the new fencing.

PBSG Member Hemberger reported that one-half of the trim had been installed on the third-floor courtroom windows and that they were also repairing damaged plaster. Their portion of the work should be complete on May 5. Coordinator Worthington stated that Hubbard would paint the walls upon completion of that work. PBSG Member Ozella requested that Sheriff Oller contact Niemczyk Painting to view the ceiling for possible painting. Ozella also requested that Hubbard paint the west end door and large window over the door.

A brief update was given on the status of the shower room update at Sunny Acres Nursing Home.

PBSG Member Ozella stated that a possible future project for the courthouse might be that of uplighting the building at night time. Three Pines recently installed such lighting and he will be information for the group. Commissioner Whitcomb stated that with more citizens parking in the lot in the evening, such lighting would assist with safety and security.

With no further business going before the board, PBSG Member Ortgessen made a motion to adjourn and PBSG Member Hemberger seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7:21 PM.
Respectfully submitted,
Dara Worthington