

COUNTY OF MENARD     )  
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The Menard County Board of Commissioners met for a special board meeting on Tuesday, October 21, 2025, at 6:00 PM in the Menard County Courthouse, 102 S. Seventh Street, Petersburg, Illinois. Commissioners Ed Whitcomb, Troy Cummings, Rich Brauer, and Dalton Whitley were physically present. Commissioner Bob Lott was present via remote attendance. A quorum was present. County Treasurer Molly Bettis and County Coordinator Dara Worthington were also present.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.

Acting Chairperson Whitcomb entertained the motion making allowance for Commissioner Lott to attend the meeting remotely. Commissioner Brauer made that motion and Commissioner Cummings seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Whitley made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda which consisted of the Regular Meeting Minutes and Executive Session Minutes from their October 14, 2025 meeting. Commissioner Cummings seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with Commissioner Lott voting while attending remotely.

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

There were no unscheduled public comments/requests for Board action.

#### **Scheduled Topics**

Presentations for the following FY26 budgets were made: 009, 037, 013, 031, 045, 046, 047, 048, 049, 060, 025, 015, 016, 039, 042, 093, 094, 006, and 027. Within each presentation, explanations were given and were requested for line items that exhibited increases and decreases.

Questions were posed regarding 058 as it relates to the ongoing construction projects.

A brief discussion was held regarding the setting of elected officials' salaries and the two separate ordinances that are currently in place.

Discussion regarding the proposed Enterprise Zone was tabled.

### **Executive Session**

An Executive Session was requested at 8:46 PM. Commissioner Cummings made the motion to enter into Executive Session and Commissioner Brauer seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with Commissioner Lott voting while attending remotely.

### **Adjournment**

With no further business coming before the Board, Commissioner Brauer moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:59 PM and Commissioner Cummings seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with Commissioner Lott voting while attending remotely.