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The Menard County Board of Commissioners met for a special budget planning meeting on Thursday, November 5, 2026, at 2:30 PM at the Menard County Courthouse Annex, 101 East Jefferson, Petersburg, Illinois. Commissioners Ed Whitcomb, Troy Cummings, Rich Brauer, Dalton Whitley, and Rod Riech were physically present. A quorum was present. County Treasurer Molly Bettis and County Coordinator Dara Worthington were also physically present.

Chairperson Whitcomb called the meeting to order at 2:30 PM.

Scheduled Topics:

- Fiscal Year 2027 Budget Planning & Preparation including discussion of the following: Special Revenue & Fiduciary Fund Preparation & Review, as needed, & General Fund Budget Preparation & Review
  - Tax Levies
  - Various Funds
  - Fund Investments

The commissioners reviewed the final proposed FY27 Menard County budget along with the budgets for Sunny Acres Nursing Home and Countryside Estates. Discussion ensued regarding final decisions related to tax levies, the EAV, salaries, building projects, scheduling of future budget planning, and the pursuit of grants. It was the consensus of the commissioners that given the trend in county spending, planned projects would be placed on hold.

The commissioners briefly discussed the planned remodeling project at Sunny Acres, the role of Sunny Acres Advisory Board members, and the Sunny Acres Capital Plan.

Adjournment

Having no further business coming before them, Commissioner Brauer made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:19 PM. Commissioner Riech seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.