

Ste. Genevieve County Commission Minutes

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2021**

20<sup>TH</sup> Day of the October Term. The Commission Met Pursuant to Adjournment. Present were Presiding Commissioner Garry Nelson, Associate Commissioner Randy Ruzicka and Deputy County Clerk, Michele Gatzemeyer. (Commissioner Stuppy was absent from today's meeting.)

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDING COMMISSIONER NELSON AT 8:00 A.M.

THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING THAT WAS HELD ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2021 WERE READ. A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER RUZICKA TO APPROVE SAID MINUTES AS PRESENTED. COMMISSIONER NELSON SECONDED THE MOTION. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED.

THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING THAT WAS HELD ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2021 WERE READ. A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER RUZICKA TO APPROVE SAID MINUTES AS PRESENTED. COMMISSIONER NELSON SECONDED THE MOTION. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED.

Mr. Andrew Horrell, Area Environmental Manager w/Holcim – Ste. Genevieve Plant – appeared before the Commission to review 'happenings' within the 'County'. In addition, most recent Environmental Control Meeting was discussed along with 'Recycling Event' that was sponsored by Holcim this past weekend. The Commission thanked Mr. Horrell along w/Holcim for sponsoring this very well-attended and beneficial event.

Jason Schott, appearing on behalf of Senate Bill 40, appeared before the Commission to voice concern over 'lack' of handicapped parking in and around the 'downtown area'. He questioned the 'County' as to possible support for 'Handicapped Van Accessible' Parking. Suggestion was to utilize 'space' @ Island of Flags location. There was agreement that this would take up at least (2) Parking Spaces. The Commission agreed that they were in favor of pursuing this; however, felt that 'spot' might be useful on the 'City' Side of the Island of Flags as well for another parking space. (Commissioner Nelson noted that he would contact the 'City' to review this possibility.) As additional information becomes available; said detail will be reported.

Mr. Scott Schmieder, R&B Foreman, appeared before the Commission to provide report for today's meeting. Following were the items reported:

\*Mr. Schmieder provided detail as it pertains to signs that were requested by 'Lakes Genevieve Property Owner's Association' in the event 'Emergency Responders' had to be contacted. Invoice reviewed and forwarded to said 'Association'. (Copy of the same attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

\*Mr. Schmieder noted that Dodge Duelly Pickup is in need of 'Air Conditioner' Compressor. Besides this issue, Mr. Schmieder noted that this vehicle in in good working condition.

\*French Village Road – Necessary work being completed on said road for ‘future’ work to be completed.

\*Mr. Schmieder advised that R&B Department is cutting down trees, Grading, General Maintenance, on ‘Roads’.

\*McDaniel Road – Mr. Schmieder noted that said road ‘washes out’; length of road approximately ½ to 1 mile long. Local Business Owner wants to inquire surrounding ‘Paving of Road’. Commissioner Nelson going to reach out to Margaret Yates surrounding CDBG Grant.

\*Bid for most recent ‘fuel supply’ needed by R&B Department awarded to Heil Oil Company. Pricing for the same as follows: “On-Road” Fuel - \$2.669/Gallon; “Off-Road” Fuel - \$2.549/Gallon; “Gasoline” - \$2.529/Gallon. (Copy of ‘Fuel Bid Request’ attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

\*Draft of R&B ‘Salt Storage’/Pole Structure for the potential future ‘building’ that has been reviewed completed by Commissioner Ruzicka. The Commission is drafting preliminary figures in an effort to see if structure of this nature is possible. This would have to be reviewed for next year’s budget.

The Commission reviewed ‘Detail’ surrounding invoice received for Special Road A ‘Levee Tax’. The Special Road District is responsible for maintenance of road; however, they are not the ‘owner’s’ of road. The ‘County’ has had to pay exorbitant amount of money for ‘rehabbing’ of roads for said ‘levee district’ of which no reimbursement has been received. The ‘County’ feels that ‘charges’ need to be questioned for county owned property taxation. (Copy of said ‘Drawing’ attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

\*Commission noted that there is existing ‘vacancy’ in R&B Department; in addition, notation was made regarding R&B Employee that has announced his future retirement in the ‘Spring’ of ‘2022.

Representative from Citizens Electric contacted the ‘County’ to request access on ‘County Property’ to conduct ‘survey’. Commissioner Nelson wanted to note that this does not give authorization for them to permit implementation of ‘power lines’; just authority to conduct ‘survey’.

The Commission contacted Dom Thompson w/Smith & Company Engineers. Letter pertaining to ‘DBE Goal’ for most recent ‘TAP Grant’ Project completed at the Community Center. (Copy of corresponding letter attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

The Commission reviewed ‘Parkland REDI/Economic Development Meeting’ scheduled for Friday, January 14<sup>th</sup>.

Local business owner that owns ‘business’ on McDaniel Road contacted the Commission regarding ‘entrance’. The Commission referred said resident/business owner to contact MoDOT as location would be off ‘F’ Highway.

Mr. Shawn Long, Ste. Genevieve Library Board Director, appeared before the Commission to review the following:

\*Preliminary review of 'Budget' completed in an effort to finalize the same.

\*Mr. Long expressed concern for his 'Part-Time' Employees.

\*Special attention placed on 'Rent' Line Item for the 'Library'. Issue was resolved.

(Commissioner Nelson made sure to point out that 'Library Employees' are not under the 'County Umbrella' regarding wages, etc.)

\*Mr. Long questioned continuance of 'Hot Spots' being offered by the Ste. Genevieve Library for county residents. Continuance of this service was deemed 'necessary'.

\*Mr. Long reviewed other programs/updates being offered through the Ste. Genevieve Library. (Copies of all pertinent documentation presented attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Sheriff Stolzer submitted Purchase Requisition No. 2100044 Dated 12/16/2021 for "Rotary Lift for cars/large vans" through vendor, Automotive Technology, for a "Total Cost" of \$20,677.22 to be taken from 'Capital Improvement' Fund with Commissioner Ruzicka signing for the same. (Copy of said Purchase Requisition attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Pay Request submitted to Commission for most recent detail from Brockmiller Construction for the 'construction' at the Sheriff's Department as has previously been noted. Approval of the same through Capital Improvement Fund provided for an amount of \$231,889.30. (Copy of said 'Application and Certificate for Payment Request' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Ste. Genevieve County Health Department provided report for today's Commission Meeting. Following were details provided:

\*\*0" New 'Suspect' Cases with a 'Current Total' of (21) 'Total' Suspect Cases.

\*\*1" New Probable COVID-19 Case for Ste. Genevieve County as of this Date.

\*\*14" New Confirmed COVID-19 Cases for Ste. Genevieve County as of this Date.

\*\*30" Total 'Active' COVID-19 Cases for Ste. Genevieve County currently.

\*\*2,564" 'Total' Confirmed COVID-19 Cases for Ste. Genevieve County (To Date).

\*\*364" Total Probable COVID-19 Cases for Ste. Genevieve County (To Date).

\*\*32" Total Confirmed COVID-19 Deaths (To Date).

\*\*3" Probable COVID-19 Deaths (To Date) – Ste. Genevieve County.

\*\*Initiated" Vaccination Rate for Ste. Genevieve County – 50.8% (5yrs. "+" Population).

\*\*Completed" Vaccination Rate for Ste. Genevieve County – 47.2% ("5" + Population).

Accounts Payable for Date 12/16/2021 for a 'Total' of \$152,075.28 were reviewed and approved for payment by the Commission.

Closed Session Minutes reviewed for Dates 12/2/2021, 12/9/2021, and 12/13/2021. Upon review of the same, Commissioner Ruzicka made a motion to 'Approve' Closed Session Minutes as presented. Commissioner Nelson seconded the motion. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. Commissioner Nelson yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

**ADJOURN**

A Motion was made by Commissioner Ruzicka to adjourn @ 12:20 P.M. Commissioner Nelson seconded the Motion.

Ordered that the Commission adjourn until 12/20/2021.

SUBMITTED BY:

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APPROVED BY:

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PRESIDING COMMISSIONER