Ste. Genevieve County Commission Minutes

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13, 2022

5TH Day of the January Term. The Commission Met Pursuant to Adjournment. Present were Presiding Commissioner Garry Nelson, Associate Commissioners Karen Stuppy and Randy Ruzicka, along with Deputy County Clerk, Michele Gatzemeyer.

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDING COMMISSIONER NELSON AT 7:30 A.M. FOR 'SCHEDULED' PHONE INTERVIEW BY THE ENTIRE COMMISSION WITH MR. DON PRITCHARD.

THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING THAT WAS HELD ON MONDAY, JANUARY 10, 2022 WERE READ. A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER RUZICKA TO APPROVE SAID MINUTES AS PRESENTED. COMMISSIONER STUPPY SECONDED THE MOTION. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED.

THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING THAT WAS HELD ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2022 WERE READ. A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER STUPPY TO APPROVE SAID MINUTES AS PRESENTED. COMMISSIONER RUZICKA SECONDED THE MOTION. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED.

Martha Resinger along with David Bova presented 'Proposed Budget' for '2022 with the Commission noting that they are aware of improvements that are needed at Fairgrounds. Issues of concern were addressed to include 'who' will be responsible for mowing at the Fairgrounds. Fair Board Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, 1/27/2022. Additional details to be provided after said meeting.

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

*Mr. Schmieder reported that 'Trees' cut on Sugar Bottom Road. Mr. Schmieder wanted to express his appreciation to local landowner that allowed the 'County' to utilize his property for the R&B dispensing of 'Brush'.

- *Mr. Schmieder noted that salt supply was delivered.
- *Mr. Schmieder provided 'Fuel Tickets' from most recent 'Fuel Supply Purchase' that was made through Heil Oil Company as they were awarded 'low bid'. (Copies of said 'Fuel Tickets' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

*The Commission along w/Mr. Schmieder visited 'property location' with landowner on Charter Church Road to review what measures would need to be taken for the 'Road & Bridge' Department to pursue paving improvements on said road. Mr. Schmieder agreed to 'Mark' trees in question for review of landowner (as a courtesy). Commissioner Nelson noted that the 'County' has a 30 ft. "Right of Way". The ultimate goal of the 'County' is to work amicably with landowners when making improvements.

*For future reference: The work to be completed on Charter Church Road will require an approximate 'round trip' for hauling material of 40 miles. Total anticipated 'materials' along with 'Labor' will ultimately cost in the range of \$86,400 with 'chip and sealing'.

The Commission contacted Melvin Mills Roofing. Said 'Contractor' was only 'Contractor' who had expressed interest in supplying proposal for 'Chamber Roof' along with 'Roof' on 'Old Jail Roof'. Reply was provided by Jim Stewart, Project Manager, who noted that their company is working on 'match' for shingles. Mr. Stewart advised that as soon as schedule allows; they will present to the Commission.

Commissioner Ruzicka provided report from 'Special Meeting' that was attended on Monday Evening, 1/10/2022 surrounding 'Letter of Support' provided for pursuit of 'FLAP Grant'. The Commission were all in agreement that 'City Residents' are 'County Residents'; thus, making this a 'Benefit' for the entire Community.

Update was provided surrounding IDC 'Study' that was completed surrounding 'housing study' along with the 'need' in Ste. Genevieve County for affordable housing. The amount of economic growth that would be generated along with this potential development was reviewed.

The Commission discussed once again 'State of the State' Address that is scheduled for Wednesday, January 19, 2022 @ 3:00 P.M., which is scheduled to receive 'Federal Funding' that will be sent to the States, how monies are scheduled to be distributed, etc. Details of this televised conference was provided by State Representatives Dale Wright along with Rick Francis.

Upon conclusion of 'LERF' – Law Enforcement Restitution Fund – Board Meeting along with 'Approval' of their '2022 Budget Proposal; Minutes were provided to the Ste. Genevieve County Commission Dated 1/13/2022. (Copy of said LERF Budget Meeting Minutes attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

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

- *"1" New 'Suspect' Case with a 'Current Total' of (29) 'Total' Suspect Cases.
- *"3" New Probable COVID-19 Cases for Ste. Genevieve County as of this Date.
- *"28" New Confirmed COVID-19 Cases for Ste. Genevieve County as of this Date.
- *"2,968" 'Total' Confirmed COVID-19 Cases for Ste. Genevieve County (To Date).
- *"391" Total Probable COVID-19 Cases for Ste. Genevieve County (To Date).
- *"33" Total Confirmed COVID-19 Deaths (To Date) Ste. Genevieve County.
- *"3" Probable COVID-19 Deaths (To Date) Ste. Genevieve County.
- *"Initiated" Vaccination Rate for Ste. Genevieve County 51.7% (5 yrs. "+" Population).
- *"Completed" Vaccination Rate for Ste. Genevieve County 48.1% ("5" + Population).

The Ste. Genevieve County Commissioner's Budget was reviewed. After close review of said 'Budget'; Commissioner Stuppy made a motion to 'Approve' Ste. Genevieve County Commission Budget as presented. Commissioner Ruzicka seconded the motion. Commissioner Stuppy yea. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

Sue Wolk, County Clerk, presented 'Budget' for the 'County Clerk'. Upon close review of said 'Budget'; Commissioner Ruzicka made a motion to 'Approve' said 'Budget' as presented. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the motion. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

Sue Wolk, County Clerk, presented 'Elections Budget'. In '2022; August & November 'Elections' to be paid from said 'Budget'. Mrs. Wolk explained charges that can be paid from said fund along with canvassing 'process'. After explanations provided and questions answered; Commissioner Ruzicka made a motion to 'Approve' the Elections Budget as presented. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the motion. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

The next 'Budget' presented was 'Custodian Budget'. After close review, Commissioner Stuppy made a motion to 'Approve' said 'Budget' as presented. Commissioner Ruzicka seconded the motion. Commissioner Stuppy yea. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. All In favor. Motion passed.

Budget for the Ste. Genevieve County Treasurer was presented. It was noted that there were no significant changes. Review was provided; Commissioner Ruzicka made a motion to 'Approve' said 'Budget' as presented. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the motion. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

Ste. Genevieve County Collector Budget was reviewed. After review of the same; Commissioner Ruzicka made a motion to 'Approve' Collector's Budget as presented. Commissioner Nelson seconded the motion. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. Commissioner Nelson yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

Review of the 'Court Administration Budget' completed. Said 'Budget' pays for 'County Marshall Fees'. Said 'Budget' also pays for 'Drug Court Fees/Expenses'. Upon close review of the same, Commissioner Ruzicka made a motion to 'Approve' Court Administration Budget as presented. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the motion. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

Recorder of Deeds 'Budget' reviewed. After close review of said 'Budget'; Commissioner Ruzicka made a motion to 'Approve' Recorder of Deeds Budget as presented. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the motion. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

Circuit Clerk Budget reviewed. Only significant request was for 'printer' in upcoming year. After completion of review of detail; Commissioner Ruzicka made a motion to 'Approve' said

Budget as presented. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the motion. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

Prosecuting Attorney's Budget reviewed. Review of the same Completed. Commissioner Ruzicka made a motion to 'Approve' said Budget as presented. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the motion. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

Juvenile Budget reviewed. Said 'Budget' utilized for items such as 'Legal Fees'/'Indigent Fees for Juveniles', etc. After completion of their review; Commissioner Stuppy made a motion to 'Approve' Juvenile Budget as presented. Commissioner Ruzicka seconded the motion. Commissioner Stuppy yea. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

The Ste. Genevieve County Coroner's Budget reviewed. Commissioner Ruzicka made a motion to 'Approve' said Budget as presented. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the motion. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

Civil Defense Budget reviewed. Several items that are covered through said 'Budget' are: Salary for Emergency Management Director, Utilities for '911', Radio Equipment Repair (Cell Towers), etc. Upon completion of review of said 'Budget'; Commissioner Ruzicka made a motion to 'Approve' said Budget as presented. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the motion. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

The next 'Budget' addressed was 'Jail Budget'. After review of the same with all questions being answered; Commissioner Stuppy made a motion to 'Approve' the 'Jail Budget' as presented. Commissioner Ruzicka seconded the motion. Commissioner Stuppy yea. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

The 'Budget' for Ste. Genevieve County Surveyor was addressed. Budget remained primarily the same as last year. After review completion; Commissioner Ruzicka made a motion to 'Approve' said Budget as presented. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the motion. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

Public Defender 'Rent' Budget reviewed. Commissioner Stuppy made a motion to 'Approve' the Public Defender Budget as presented. Commissioner Ruzicka seconded the motion. Commissioner Stuppy yea. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

Budget for Ste. Genevieve Recycling Center reviewed. After close observation of the same; Commissioner Ruzicka made a motion to 'Approve' Recycling Center Budget as presented. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the motion. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

Review of the Public Administrator Budget reviewed. After close review of the same; Commissioner Stuppy made a motion to 'Approve' the Public Administrator's Budget as presented. Commissioner Ruzicka seconded the motion. Commissioner Stuppy yea. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

Presentation of the Ste. Genevieve Library Budget occurred. Close review provided to said Budget; Commissioner Ruzicka made a motion to 'Approve' said Budget as presented. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the motion. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

The next 'Budget' reviewed was for Ste. Genevieve Senior Citizens. Commissioner Stuppy made a motion to 'Approve' the 'Senior Citizen's Budget' as presented. Commissioner Ruzicka seconded the motion. Commissioner Stuppy yea. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

Law Enforcement Sales Tax Budget presented. Commissioner Ruzicka made a motion to 'Approve' the Law Enforcement Sales Tax Budget as presented. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the motion. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

The 'Capital Improvement' Budget reviewed. After close observation of the same, Commissioner Ruzicka made a motion to 'Approve' the 'Capital Improvement Budget' as presented. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the motion. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

The next 'Budget' reviewed was ARPA – "American Rescue Plan Act". Several minor corrections were noted that need to be addressed prior to 'Approval' of said Budget. Upon completion of 'final corrections'; Budget to be presented for 'Final Approval'.

The final 'Budget' reviewed at today's meeting was 'Infrastructure' Budget. Monies have not yet bee received for said 'Fund'; however, the 'County' has been made aware of the funding that they should be in receipt of; thus, the 'County' must plan on the same. Anticipated Revenues/Expenses to be in the vicinity of \$1.7 Million. Budget created. After explanations provided and questions being answered; Commissioner Stuppy made a motion to 'Approve' the Infrastructure Budget as presented. Commissioner Ruzicka seconded the motion. Commissioner Stuppy yea. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

ADJOURN

A Motion was made by Commissioner Stuppy to adjourn @ 12:45 P.M. Commissioner Ruzicka seconded the Motion.
Ordered that the Commission adjourn until 1/20/2022.
SUBMITTED BY:
APPROVED BY:
PRESIDING COMMISSIONER