

Ste. Genevieve County Commission Minutes

THURSDAY, MARCH 3, 2022

15TH Day of the January Term. The Commission Met Pursuant to Adjournment. Present were Presiding Commissioner Garry Nelson, Associate Commissioners Karen Stuppy and Randy Ruzicka. Deputy County Clerk, Michele Gatzemeyer, was absent from today's meeting. As a result, 'Minutes' were being recorded in an effort for nothing of importance to be 'missed'.

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

THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING THAT WAS HELD ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2022 ARE SCHEDULED TO BE READ AT A FUTURE DATE.

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

*Dickneite Road – Mr. Schmieder noted that he has concern with this road meeting the qualifications to meet criteria for 'County Road' specifications.

*Mr. Schmieder noted that he will be reaching out to Midwest Viking-Cives regarding necessity for 'stainless bed'.

*The Commission discussed possibility of installing cameras in an effort to 'catch' persons of interest stealing 'signs' throughout the 'County'. This is an expense to the 'County'; thus, this is an expense to Tax Payers and infringes on 'public safety'.

*The Commission discussed matter that has occurred at the 'Quarry' that the 'County' uses on 'C' Road. The Commission advised Mr. Schmieder that he needs to post 'No Trespassing' Signs due to the 'junk' that has been left at said location. All agreed that this is unacceptable.

*Commissioner Stuppy questioned where the 'County' is at on 'Addition' of 'Shed' @ R&B Department.

*It was noted that there are 'patches' that need to be seeded @ the Fairgrounds.

*Mr. Schmieder noted that the R&B Department had to place approximately (50) Signs up as of late. Again, this is 'Extra Time' and 'Money' for the R&B Department. It cannot be stressed enough that this is a safety hazard as well.

*Mr. Schmieder presented 'Fuel Tickets' from most recent fuel purchase.

*Mr. Schmieder presented Purchase Order No. 0004 Dated 3/3/2022 for 'Salt' through vendor, DBK Salt Company, for a "Total Cost" of \$4,950.52 with Commissioner Stuppy signing for the same. (Copy of said Purchase Order attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

*Upon review of need for 'Bed'; Commissioner Ruzicka made a 'Motion' to proceed with obtaining 'Bed' from Midwest Viking-Cives. The 'County' has utilized their services in the past and will not obtain other pricing due to the 'Quality' and 'Satisfaction' with their product. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the Motion. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

The Commission reviewed 'Detention Pond' located at the Sheriff's Department. Issues surrounding the same have to be resolved prior to any paving of 'Parking Lot' being completed.

Commissioner Stuppy provided report from the Fair Board Meeting that she attended. Following were Details provided:

- *Representative from 'Ex-Caliber' provided details; there was discussion about potentially having a 'Fall Tractor Pull'.

- *Gage Sumner & Todd Byington willing to 'run' Demo Derby along with 'Tractor Pull' @ 'Fair' this year.

- *Mr. Jeff Wix in attendance from Ste. Genevieve County Department of Tourism.

- *Discussion ensued surrounding 'How' the new Ste. Genevieve County Fair Board will proceed with incorporating them under the 'County's' Umbrella. County Clerk, Sue Wolk as well as Sara Hoog, Treasurer, were brought in for discussion. The Fair Board is in 'control' of their 'Budget' and will receive a monthly 'statement' of their Accounting Practices. The Fair Board will also be responsible to 'carry' their own insurance coverage, etc.

- *Commissioner Stuppy noted that the 'Old' Fair Board is utilizing an 'old' Facebook Page. It was noted that this 'Page' needs to be taken down/removed prior to proceeding with said changes for new 'Fair Board'. Dissolution Agreement being drawn by legal counsel to 'close out' any ties between the 'New' Fair Board and the 'Old' Fair Board.

Sheriff Stolzer appeared before the Commission. He noted that the Sheriff's Department planning on doing 'Paving' @ their facility. Concern again brought up regarding 'water/drainage' issues. Commissioner Nelson noted that any time you place 'Hard Coat' Down; the water will have to go 'somewhere'. Sheriff Stolzer noted that he is relying on the expertise of the professionals. Mr. Stolzer noted that he is aware of the fact that there are large portions that have to be 'Dug Out' prior to any work being completed.

Sheriff Stolzer made inquiry regarding requested documentation as it pertains to the 'Drug Task Force'.

The Commission contacted Mrs. Brenda Stuppy w/SGL regarding upcoming 'Solid Waste Grant Call'. It was noted that 3/16/2022 is the 'Deadline'. Mrs. Stuppy advised that she would have to give this some thought. She was thinking that they could use a 'Trailer'; however, she advised that she was going to confer w/Julie @ the Recycling Center and would reply. The 'Commission' noted that they were 'unsure' why they were not notified sooner.

Commissioner Nelson reported on the importance of the 'services' provided by Workforce Development Board. He attended meeting for the same in Jefferson City, MO along with other members.

Commissioner Stuppy noted that she was contacted by Melvin Mills Roofing. 'Shingles' that were ordered for the Ste. Genevieve Chamber of Commerce Roof were 'sold' @ supplier level. We are now looking at 'July' before 'roof' will be able to be replaced.

Mr. Happy Welch, Ste. Genevieve City Administrator, as well as Mr. Jeff Wix, Tourism Director, appeared before the Commission. In addition, Mr. Joe Bauman and his wife, Emma, were present. Meeting was being attended regarding 'Tourism'. Meeting was called in effort to 'tie' tourism together with the many local Air B & B's that are offered such as the facility offered by Mr. & Mrs. Bauman. It was noted of what importance it would be to advertise these 'Exceptional' Facilities that are in the 'County'. Mr. Wix noted that the Tourism Department is currently in the process of redesigning their website; facilities such as these can be 'virtually advertised'.

Mr. Wix discussed a 'Tourism Workshop' that is going to be offered @ the 'Orris' on 3/30/2022. This will be in an effort to assist local tourism with marketing efforts, etc. This is primarily to assist the 'smaller businesses' that may not have the 'Budget' for these services. It was noted that 'Short Term Rental' stays for 'lodging' at a 'Peak' currently. This is not expected to change over the next several years.

While present, the Bauman's requested 'who' to contact regarding possibility of 'paving' their road. The Commission advised Mr. & Mrs. Bauman to contact the 'Special Road District'.

Discussion provided again while Mr. Welch present regarding 'Electric' Car Charging Stations. All agreed that this would be beneficial for the entire Ste. Genevieve area.

Mr. Ron Inman contacted the Commission regarding 'letter' that was supposed to be sent from SEMO Regional Planning Commission as it pertains to the 'Ferry'. The Commission is being requested to forward a 'Letter of Support'; the Commission advised that they will have to contact SEMO RPC in an effort to determine what is needed before they can confirm formal support.

Sue Wolk, County Clerk, appeared before the Commission regarding 'Claim' that had been filed in '2019 that involved 'stop sign' that was 'stolen' @ Intersections of Burks School Road and Genevieve Church Road.

Review of 'Collector's' Agreement completed to proceed with 'Contract' between the 'Collector' and 'City of Ste. Genevieve'. This contract is being reviewed for modifications per recommendation from legal counsel, Ivan Schraeder. Recommendation is that 'County' will need to run through 'payroll' in an effort to insure complete compliance. Mrs. Wolk has reviewed with other counties for any possible recommendations. Confirmation was made on how best to proceed surrounding the 'Collections' are handled between the 'Collector' and 'Entities' that this office 'collects' for. Preliminary review completed with Claudia Stuppy, County Collector. It was noted that 'Old' Contracts all need to be redone.

Accounts Payable for Date, 3/3/2022 in the amount of \$116,436.54 were reviewed and approved for payment by the Commission.

ADJOURN

A Motion was made by Commissioner Stuppy to adjourn @ 12:00 P.M. Commissioner Ruzicka seconded the Motion.

Ordered that the Commission adjourn until 3/7/2022.

SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED BY:

PRESIDING COMMISSIONER