

Ste. Genevieve County Commission Minutes

**MONDAY, MARCH 14, 2022**

18<sup>TH</sup> 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 8:00 A.M.

THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING THAT WAS HELD ON THURSDAY, MARCH 3, 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 THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 2022 WERE READ. A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER RUZICKA TO APPROVE SAID MINUTES AS PRESENTED. COMMISSIONER STUPY SECONDED THE MOTION. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED.

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

\*Mr. Schmieder noted that 'additional pipes' are needed for various locations throughout the 'County'.

\*Charter Church Road – Mr. Schmieder inspecting road in an effort to see if road is ready to start 'prepping' for paving project. R&B Department will have to closely monitor costs as increased 'fuel prices' will affect the number of projects that will be able to be completed.

\*'Slide' on Clement Road moved; Mr. Schmieder noted that R&B Department performing work to address this 'issue'.

\*Mr. Schmieder informed the Commission that they are working on 'Dig Out' Spots on areas throughout the 'County'. Several 'areas' mentioned are those on Burks School Road, Sprott Road, Pinkston Road, Hennick Road, with many more 'spots' in addition to these.

\*The R&B Department in need of 'Fuel Bid Request'; Upon 'Bid Submissions' received; Heil Oil Company provided the 'low bid'. Low Bid for most recent purchase was as follows: "On-Road" Fuel - \$3.959 with this being the only 'fuel' that was needed for this purchase. (Copy of referenced 'Bid Request' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

\*Resident that resides on Gillespie Road contacted Commission to advise that he located 'poles' from 'road signs' and advised that he will have them located at his 'residence' for R&B Department to collect. As has been noted previously; violators will be prosecuted due to the severity that this situation results in. Stolen signs are a 'Hazard' for '911' Services/Police Services/Etc. The Ste. Genevieve County Commission cannot emphasize enough how detrimental this is to the 'County' and ALL 'County Residents'.

\*MoDOT in need of R&B Department to complete 'work' in an effort for them to complete 'final inspection' of 'Franklin Bridge'. Mr. Schmieder noted that he would take care of the same.

\*Local resident that resides on Coffman Road reported that 'neighbor' placed 'dam' in creek; thus, resulting in the 'rerouting' of water; the 'DNR' to inspect this.

Commissioner Ruzicka provided report from Environmental Control Meeting that he & Commissioner Nelson attended last Friday. Following were the items reported:

\*Director of DNR provided presentation and noted that DNR is promoting 'Compliance Assistance' as an organization.

\*Possibility of 'Uses' for ARPA Funding reviewed/discussed.

\*DNR is working extensively on 'Flood Resiliency' Projects.

\*Budget for 'Flood Recovery' Discussed.

\*Funding Request for Geological Survey in the 'Missouri Lead Belt' Area reviewed.

\*Funding that is trickling down to the DNR for various projects reviewed. Several 'sources' that are scheduled to receive awards are as follows: Water Studies, 'Wi-Fi' for State Parks, Wastewater/Stormwater/Lead Pipe Replacement, Hydrology, and many other projects.

\*It was noted that another VW Grant 'Call' will be available. There was discussion surrounding 'Electric' Car Charging Stations.

\*Ozone Readings reviewed for 'Missouri'.

\*Representative from Holcim was present and noted that they will be hosting another 'Recycling Event' at the Ste. Genevieve Recycling Center yet this year with 'Date' to be noted in the future. The level of participation was noted; said event was a great success.

Mr. Bob Kluender with the Ste. Genevieve County Health Department is waiting on final results from 'soil test' that was taken in the area of Tri-Acre Lane.

Mr. Mark Spykermann w/Gilmore & Bell contacted the Commission as a 'follow-up' call surrounding the Ozora TIF. He questioned the Commission as to whether or not Mr. Randy Crawford had been in contact with them. Mr. Spykermann has not received 'f/u' from Mr. Crawford. Commissioner Nelson advised that he would contact Mr. Crawford for 'status update'. The Commission noted that they simply want to see improvements in this area.

The 'County' has worked with Mr. Todd Faulkner previously for tree 'cutting' services; the 'County' has had difficulty in obtaining any interest in 'Bids' surrounding these services. The 'County' has reached out to Mr. Todd Faulkner for 'trees' that need to be addressed at the Ste. Genevieve Fairgrounds. Due to the 'issue' of 'lack of interest' in said services; the Commission reached out to him as they have been satisfied with his services in the past as well as the fact that he is fully insured.

The Commission forwarded 'Letter of Support' to Illinois Governor J.B. Pritzker on behalf of the Modoc Ferry asking that consideration be given since the ferry relies on traffic fares as its primary source of income. The Missouri Department of Transportation provides an annual allowance through a 'Ferry Boat Assistance' Stipend in the amount of \$88,000; however, to

date, the State of Illinois has not provided support. The 'hope' is that additional funding can be allocated from the State of Illinois; otherwise, there is a possibility that the 'Ferry' will not be able to 'continue'. There are benefits to the residents of the State of Missouri AS WELL AS the State of Illinois. (Copy of referenced 'Letter of Support' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

The Regional Sales Director with a company named 'Debt Book' provided ZOOM presentation to the 'Commission' with Sara Hoog, Treasurer, present. Said 'presentation' was in an effort to see if services surrounding debt service was an offering that the 'County' might be able to use. Decision was made that, currently, the 'County' feels that they are handling this task sufficiently and that this was not a resource the 'County' would be using at this time.

TREASURER – COMMISSION ORDER #2159 (See Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

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Sara Hoog, Treasurer, presented the Semi-Annual Settlement of Funds for the period of 7/1/2021 thru 12/31/2021. (Please refer to the Commission Record Supplement for Copy of the Same.)

Mr. Craig Harris, Territory Manager w/Fabick along with Mr. Scott Crean, Sales Manager for Eastern MO/IL w/Fabick appeared before the Commission to review 'options' as it pertains to the 'skid steer'. As has been reported on numerous occasions; said item of equipment has resulted in many 'issues'. The following details were noted:

- \*Issue is surrounding the 'DEF' System – Diesel Exhaust Fluid.

- \*The 'Commission' noted that a 'resolution' must be met surrounding the 'loss of time' that occurs when said item of equipment is 'down'. This equates to loss of taxpayer dollars.

- \*All agreed that going to 'lower' size of equipment will not be sufficient to meet the needs of the 'R&B Department'.

- \*Representatives from Fabick advised that they will 'inspect' skid steer @ the R&B Department; they will then go back to the 'drawing board' and reach out to service manager at Caterpillar. Fabick Representatives advised that they wish to work with the 'County' to reach a 'Resolve'.

Sheriff Stolzer presented 'Application and Certificate for Payment' for on-going 'Jail Project'. The 'Payment Amount' is \$212,482.79. Payment is scheduled to be paid from 'Capital Improvement'.

- \*The 'issue' of utilizing room @ '911 Building' for Training purposes for the Sheriff's Department was discussed. Sheriff Stolzer advised that it will not be in the best interest of the 'Sheriff's Department' to utilize said facility at '911 Building'.

\*Sheriff Stolzer presented copy of 'Capital Improvement' Budget for verification of 'Funding' allowances for noted payments.

\*Sheriff Stolzer presented "Prime Contract Change Order" for 'Change Order/Extension' of the existing project. Sheriff Stolzer noted that this should be the 'final' construction project completed at their compound and would consist of a 'storage facility' along with 'Training Room'.

Upon close review of 'Details' surrounding 'Prime Contract Change Order' for 'Storage/Training Building for the Ste. Genevieve County Sheriff's Department; Commissioner Ruzicka made a 'Motion' to Approve 'Project' as noted by Sheriff Stolzer with 'Project' to be classified as a 'Prime Contract Change Order' to existing project with construction being performed by Brockmiller Construction Company at a 'Cost' of approximately \$621,664.19. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed. (Copies of all 'Referenced' Documentation attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

County Clerk, Sue Wolk, appeared before the Commission surrounding concern about 'E-Mail Security'. Further review being completed with IT Specialists. As additional information becomes available; said detail will be provided.

Mileage 'issue' reviewed surrounding local 'County Employee'. Decision was made by Commission to reimburse for 'Gas' in effort to meet in the 'middle'. Notification was made with the Commission once again emphasizing that 'County' Vehicles need to be utilized when travel occurs for the 'County'

Accounts Payable for Date 3/14/2022 in the amount of \$82,904.51 were reviewed and approved for payment by the Commission.

The Commission performed inspection of 'Fairgrounds' in an effort to review all necessary projects prior to the 'Reorganized' Ste. Genevieve County Fair Board taking over. It was noted that the 'County Commission' would address issues with the understanding that the Fair Board 'going forward' would address fairground improvements in the 'future'.

**ADJOURN**

A Motion was made by Commissioner Stuppy to adjourn @ 2:00 P.M. Commissioner Ruzicka seconded the Motion.

Ordered that the Commission adjourn until 3/17/2022.

SUBMITTED BY:

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APROVED BY:

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PRESIDING COMMISSIONER