

Ste. Genevieve County Commission Minutes

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2022**

28<sup>TH</sup> Day of the July 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, SEPTEMBER 1, 2022 WERE READ. A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER RUZICKA TO APPROVE SAID MINUTES AS PRESENTED WITH 'SLIGHT' CORRECTION. COMMISSIONER RUZICKA SECONDED THE MOTION. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED.

Presiding Commissioner Nelson wanted it noted that several issues arose, which were considered 'additional' items to be listed on 'Agenda' that were not previously posted. Most notably, contract issue to be reviewed later in today's meeting.

Mr. Scott Schmieder, R&B Foreman, was unable to attend today's meeting as a result of project taking place in norther 'end' of the 'County'. The following items were addressed as it relates to 'R&B Department'.

\*Avon Road – Road & Bridge Department currently in the middle of too many projects. At this time, issue on Avon Road to be placed on 'Hold'.

\*Report provided from 'road inspection' @ subdivision off Chestnut Ridge Road. Presiding Commissioner Nelson provided detail advising that 'some' ditch work had been done; however, it was not enough for completion of entire project. (It was noted that there were residents that advised that 'roads were ready'.) Commissioner Nelson had previously noted that approximately 20% of the 'Total' amount of work necessary had been completed. Commissioner Nelson noted that he would follow up with inquiring homeowner.

\*Dry Ford Road – R&B Department to 'finish' project today.

\*Recent fuel supply needed by R&B Department was awarded to Heil Oil Company with the 'low bid'. "On-Road" Fuel Pricing was \$4.559/gallon with "Off-Road Fuel Pricing" at a rate of \$3.209/gallon. (Copies of all 'quotes/tickets' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.

\*Commission reviewed 'invoice detail' for crane rental from Cave Road Box Culvert 'Installation'. (Copy of said invoice detail attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.'

\*It was noted that MasTec did damage near the area of R&B Shed. Mr. Schmieder in communication surrounding repairs to be made.

\*Mr. Schmieder reported (via phone) that R&B Department to work on 'Dig Outs' on Friday.

\*Mr. Schmieder noted that 'sign repair' to be completed @ location of Lawrenceton Cut-Off Road as well as Dry Ford Road.

Mr. Mark Basler along with Ms. Julie Orrick appeared before the Commission on behalf of the Lake Forest Clean Water District. Said organization had been approved for 'ARPA' Funding as it pertains to 'water main replacement' project at an amount of \$290,000. This was based on budgetary amount figured prior to crisis surrounding supply chain issues, increased pricing, etc. With this being said, Lake Forest Clean Water District appeared to request 'shortfall' for 'Water Main Project'. Project has been deemed mandatory by the Missouri DNR with 'entity' scheduled to be served with penalties if project not completed. Local contractor, Construction Engineers, was awarded the 'Bid' per LFCWD on 'project' and project that 'start time' for their contracting firm could be as soon as 1-month timeline.

Lake Forest Clean Water District requesting the 'shortfall' for said project. Additional request totals \$143,776.25. The Commission noted that they would give this matter additional review at next week's meeting. Mr. Basler noted that he would provide said update at their 'Board Meeting' that was scheduled for that evening. (Spreadsheet Data for 'Additional Request' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Review of Fairgrounds – Commissioner Stuppy expressed concern surrounding routine maintenance that needed to be completed at Fairgrounds. The Commission reached out to sole contractor that had submitted 'Sealed Bid' to perform 'mowing/landscaping' @ Ste. Genevieve County Fairgrounds, 'old' Riverview @ the Park Location, Courthouse perimeter, along with the Ste. Genevieve Recycling Center. Said 'Contractor' was Mr. Ryan Huck w/"Cut N' Edge" Landscaping. Mr. Huck noted that his firm could start immediately and is working on preparing contract to be signed between the (2) entities mentioned above. Additional details to follow surrounding this matter.

Carolyn Bach with the Ste. Genevieve Art Guild contacted the Commission regarding landscaping that their organization wishes to plant in an effort to make appearance of the 'Museum' more aesthetically pleasing. Commission reviewed the 'plans' presented. After review of detail; Commissioner Ruzicka made a 'Motion' to approve landscape drawings for Ste. Genevieve Art Guild to proceed with improvements in 'front' of said 'Museum' as presented. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed. (Copy of architectural rendering attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

County Clerk, Sue Wolk, appeared before the Commission with updated information from Adrian Eckhoff, 24<sup>th</sup> Circuit Juvenile Officer for Madison, St. Francois, Ste. Genevieve, and Washington Counties. Mr. Eckhoff was tasked by the Courts to inquire to represented Counties the possibility of increasing current fee structure for representation of indigent parents in child abuse and neglect cases.

Commissioner Nelson noted that it was his understanding that 'Courts' set fees; however, Mr. Eckhoff explained that this is not the case. Judge Horn attempting to improve the 'problem' of finding attorneys that will perform this task. 'Charges' are only turned in to the Counties in

which case was heard. After review of the information provided; Commissioner Stuppy made a 'Motion' to approve adjusting the fee structure within the 24<sup>th</sup> Circuit Juvenile District represented by Mr. Eckhoff as follows:

"Attendance by an Attorney @ a Court Hearing in County 'outside' of Mr. Eckhoff's domicile office from \$60 - \$85.

"Attendance by an Attorney @ a Court Hearing in 'County' of Mr. Eckhoff's domicile office from \$50 - \$75.

\*Attendance by an Attorney @ Adjudication Hearing - \$100.

Commissioner Ruzicka seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Stuppy yea. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. All in favor. Motion passed. (Copy of presented e-mail attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Accounts Payable for Date 9/8/2022 in the amount of \$2,399.98 were reviewed and approved for payment by the Commission.

TREASURER – COMMISSION ORDER #2166 (See Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

TREASURER – COMMISSION ORDER #2167 (See Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

TREASURER – COMMISSION ORDER #2168 (See Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

TREASURER – COMMISSION ORDER #2169 (See Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Sara Hoog, Treasurer, submitted the Semi-Annual Settlement of Funds for Time Period of 01/01/2022 through 06/30/2022. (Copy of Semi-Annual Settlement attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

### **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 9/12/2022.

SUBMITTED BY:

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APPROVED BY:

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PRESIDING COMMISSIONER