

Ste. Genevieve County Commission Minutes

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2022**

32<sup>ND</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 MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 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.

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

- \*Mr. Schmieder reported that 'Boom Mowers' need mechanical work.
- \*Mowing being done/Patching of Roads.
- \*Mr. Schmieder noted that inspection was completed by himself on Flieg Drive; Mr. Schmieder to inspect River Aux Vases Church Road tomorrow.
- \*Ditch Road – Mr. Schmieder noted that it was not a good thing that cable installation personnel w/Spectrum had installed 'cable' under bridge on said road that is scheduled to be removed sometime next year. Once again, it was noted that 'Spectrum' needs to communicate with Mr. Schmieder.
- \*Kinsey Road – Mr. Schmieder addressed the fact that there are still 'Rocks' in roadway from Spectrum Construction Crew. This creates problems with mowing disallowing for the same.
- \*Schwartz Road – Repairs have not yet been made by Spectrum; Mr. Schmieder noted that he was advised that these "would be taken care of".
- \*Mr. Schmieder, along with Commissioners Stuppy and Ruzicka to inspect property location on Avon Road as well as Chestnut Ridge Road on Friday Morning, 9/23/2022 @ 8:30 A.M.
- \*Fuel Bid needed for R&B Department. Bids requested. Low Bid awarded to MFA Oil. The only fuel needed for most recent request was for "On-Road" Fuel. Low Bid was an amount of \$4.0497/gallon. (Copy of said 'Fuel Bid Request' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Update provided on Ste. Genevieve City Tourism Board Meeting. Commissioner Stuppy attended the same; thus report provided accordingly with the following points of interest identified:

- \*Status surrounding new tourism director discussed.
- \*Presence at Ste. Genevieve 'Welcome Center' reviewed.

\*Commissioner Stuppy reported to said 'Board' the support that has been provided by the 'County' noting that financial support given in \$5,000 annual donation by the 'County' as well as most recent financial contribution for the 'Electronic Billboards' with the 'County' committed a substantial donation for.

\*Commissioner Nelson noted that there have been on-going 'issues' with tourism for "20+" years. All present at today's meeting noted that additional review of potential solutions should be addressed with cooperation between all parties involved. County offered suggestion of utilization of 'Chamber Building' for possible use. Information was going to be supplied to 'Group'.

\*Task Force formed @ said meeting in effort to make progress with this issue.

Local resident appeared before the Commission requesting update on 'handicapped parking signs' at Ste. Genevieve Art Guild location. Commission spoke with Mr. Gary Roth; he and Commissioner Ruzicka to work on project on 9/27/2022.

Commission reached out to Mr. Brad Bauman regarding conversation they had as it pertains to Levee District #3. Mr. Bauman to develop a 'Plan' for ponding issue that was discussed @ Monday's Meeting. As additional details become available; detail will be provided.

Commission left message for Randy Crawford. Mr. Crawford was unavailable.

The Commission reported that they attended ceremony on Tuesday, 9/20/2022 at the Ste. Genevieve Museum/Learning Center in which Proclamation was presented to Mr. Guy Darrow, self-taught fossil collector, as well as the representatives from the 'Museum'. State Representative, Dale Wright, was present for the same.

Report provided from Community Center Board Meeting. Following were points of interest provided:

\*Financials presented.

\*Community Center Roof Project reported to be going well.

\*'Mower' utilized by Community Center in need of new 'motor'. Community Center Board reviewing possibility of 'placing' mowing of entire Community Center 'Grounds' out for 'Bid'.

\*Youth volleyball/soccer leagues currently active with local schools utilizing facilities.

\*Additional leagues soon to begin for basketball/gym hockey/etc.

\*Potential for "Gun Show" to be held at Community Center discussed.

\*It was noted that 'Work Out Equipment' @ Bloomsdale Facility scheduled to be paid soon.

\*Water Park well attended this summer w/59,497 visitors reported. Staff currently performing 'end of season' maintenance.

\*Indoor Pool in need of maintenance. Estimates are being reported to be in the 'range of potentially \$150,000'; maintenance to hopefully be scheduled for next Spring.

Commission reviewed ARPA Pay Request from committed funds approved for Public Water Supply District No. 1 for 'Engineering Services' for amount of \$23,305.50 through Cochran Engineering Services. Upon review of the detail provided, Commissioner Ruzicka made a 'Motion' to proceed with funding request as presented. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed. (Copy of 'Pay Request' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Commission reviewed ARPA Pay/Request from committed funds approved for Lake Forest Clean Water District for materials/supplies through vendor, IMCO Utility Supply Co., for amount of \$33,134.05 as presented with payment to be 'Payable' to the entity, Lake Forest Clean Water District. Commissioner Stuppy made a 'Motion' to proceed with funding request as presented. Commissioner Ruzicka seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Stuppy yea. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. All in favor. Motion passed. (Copy of 'Pay Request' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

As stipulated per RSMo 105.675, and per 'Motion' made by Commissioner Ruzicka, Ordinance 09222022 was adopted by the Ste. Genevieve County Commission to "Elect changes under the Missouri Local Government Employees Retirement System". It is noted that by accepting the benefit change, Ste. Genevieve County Commission is accepting the legal obligation to fund elected benefits now and in the future. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed. Roll Call Vote was Taken: Commissioner Nelson – Aye. Commissioner Ruzicka – Aye. Commissioner Stuppy – Aye. (Copy of Ordinance 09222022 pursuant to requirements set forth in RSMo 105.675 attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

It was noted by the Commission that Appointment was made to the Health Department Board. With this being said, upon appointment being made, Commission received 'Letter Requesting Appointment' from additional candidate. Commission will keep said information on record for future reference.

Accounts Payable for Date 9/22/2022 in the amount of \$195,019.38 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 9/26/2022.

SUBMITTED BY:

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APPROVED BY:

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PRESIDING COMMISSIONER