

Ste. Genevieve County Commission Minutes

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2022

8TH Day of the October 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, OCTOBER 24, 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.

Commissioner Nelson requested that 'correction' be noted that was misprinted in the newspaper last week. Commissioner Nelson noted that it was reported that 'average cost of asphalt per mile' was amount of \$475,000.00; however, the amount that was noted in Commissioner's Meeting was amount of \$75,000. This was simply covered to avoid any confusion.

Report provided from 'Solid Waste' Meeting that was attended. Following were the items reported:

- *'Grant Status' updates made.
- *Holcim Recycling Event Update given.
- *Discussion of 'Trailer' for Ste. Genevieve Recycling Center reviewed.
- *'Grant Call' to occur in January.
- *Next 'Solid Waste Meeting' scheduled for December.

Report provided from SEMO Regional Planning Commission Meeting. Following were details reported:

- *Jeremy Tanz noted that he is working on Grants through ARPA; I.E. "Community Revitalization Grant".
- *Other potential 'Grants' that were mentioned with potential for availability were as follows: Industrial Site Development Grants, Delta Regional Authority (2 Grants awarded in our area),
- *Broadband issues reviewed.
- *Revolving Loan Funds – Regional Planning Commission continuing to keep these 'rolling'.
- *It was noted that there is still a search for CERT Coordinator as it relates to 'Homeland Security'.
- *"DED" Grants reviewed. Survey sent to 'Counties' in effort to review needs.
- *Review of 'Cyber Security' issues discussed.
- *Mr. Rick Francis discussed 'Amendments' on Ballot.

Report provided from T.A.C. (Transportation Advisory Council) Meeting. Following was report provided:

*Limited information provided from this meeting. Quorum was not available due to lack of enough persons present. (Commissioner Nelson brought up the matter of issues that still have not been 'handled' that he has addressed with TAC Committee for years. As previously mentioned, these 'issues' were 'Trucks bypassing the weigh station as well as the issue @ Love's Travel Stop with entrance to the same and difficulty for tractor trailer traffic'.)

*Chris Crocker w/MoDOT reported that 'event' held last week: "Buckle Up/Phone Down". It was noted that of the fatalities reported; approximately 66% persons were not 'buckled'.

*TAP Grants awarded. City of Ste. Genevieve was awarded TAP Grant on most recent 'cycle'. Said 'Grant' was awarded for 'Sidewalks' beginning at Seraphin Street. Additional details can be made available at 'City of Ste. Genevieve'.

*It was noted that 'Governor Cost Share Program' additional detail to be 'rolled out' on January 23rd.

*November 2nd – Highway Transportation Committee Meeting to be held.

'Controlled Burn Ban' still in effect for Ste. Genevieve County. This issue to be reviewed again on Monday.

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

*Bodine Road – Mr. Schmieder reported that project is going well.

*Mr. Schmieder called in 'Locates' for utilities for projects to be completed next week.

*Mr. Schmieder advised that mowing being completed as well as 'brush' being cleaned.

*Mr. Schmieder advised that SPECTRUM never contacted resident in Weingarten with property damage as a result of 'Cable Installation'.

*Mr. Schmieder to ride along with Commission for inspection of roads tomorrow morning as 'posted'.

Additional question posed surrounding 'landscaping contract' with Cut N' Edge Landscaping/Lawncare. Details to be reviewed; additional detail to be provided as it becomes available.

Commission reviewed mapping detail that was provided to them from Emerald Energy as it relates to Wabash Valley Project for 'electric'. More clear detail to be reviewed prior to any decision making by the Commission.

Commission reviewed 'Appointment of Board Member' Changes for ALL 'Boards' appointed by the Commission to be implemented before appointees are confirmed w/Mrs. Betty Arnold (w/Ste. Genevieve Group Home Board of Directors). Implementation from persons wishing to serve on a 'Board' will appear before the Commission to explain 'desire' for service on said 'Board'.

Additional review completed on '911' Meeting that was held this past Monday w/Director of '911' – Mr. Alan Wells. Following were reiterated details from the same:

*Ste. Genevieve County assesses 'landline fee' currently in effort to help with '911' Expense. Said 'fees' have fallen due to elimination of 'landline usage'.

*County will consider various 'options' for fee collection. This is issue to be reviewed before any decision is made.

*Possibility of additional funding through the 'State' being reviewed.

*Mr. Felix Meyer, Emergency Management Director, noted that 'updates' are vital to protect the 'public' along with 'first responders'.

Mr. Shawn Long, Ste. Genevieve Library Director, appeared before Commission to present updates regarding the 'Bloomsdale Location' for 'Library'. Mr. Long noted that activity has been monitored for last (4) years. Courier usage and 'pick up' numbers have increased at said location; however, the 'In-Door' Visits and 'Usage' have been 'flat'. In order to create a savings to the Tax Payers; the Ste. Genevieve County Library Board along with Director, Mr. Long, have decided to invest in 'Lockers' for 'Bloomsdale' with final location to be determined in the near future. Initial investment for purchase of 'locker unit' to be \$25,080 for the first year; however, there will be dramatic savings after the initial purchase. (Copies of information relating to the investment along w/explanation for changes attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

*Mr. Long noted that 'cost savings' should present itself w/Evergreen Consortium as 'Discount' could apply.

*Letter prepared for 'Patrons' of Bloomsdale Library location in an effort to offer explanation for changes.

*Mr. Long noted that 'Expense' to be budgeted under "Technology" in next year's budget.

*Mr. Long presented 'Annual Report' to Commission. (Copy of said report attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Update provided on status of Community Center Roof. This per update from Dan Rebhan w/Bade Roofing.

ARPA Funding approved for 'Cyber Liability' Coverage. Motion for the same already completed. Payment due now for 'Monthly' Statement as originally discussed. Upon review of monthly invoicing sent; Commissioner Ruzicka made a 'Motion' to approve payment for Month of October for amount of \$2,755.00 to be reimbursed through ARPA Funds. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed. (Copy of 'Detail' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

ARPA Funding approved for Public Water Supply District No. 1 as it relates to "Water Main Improvement Project for Breeze Hill Tower to Well #6 & Well #9". Motion for the same has already been completed. 'Request for Funding Reimbursement' submitted by PWSD#1 for Engineering Services through Cochran Engineering. Commissioner Stuppy made a 'Motion' to approve payment for amount of \$5,179.50 for project as explained per above. Commissioner

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

Claudia Stuppy, Collector, appeared before the Commission to present request to 'Waive' interest and penalties due to error as a result of "Action or Inaction" of the County or its employee(s). Total amount requested to be waived - \$123.97. After inspection of information presented; Commissioner Ruzicka made a 'Motion' to approve the 'Waiving' of Interest and Penalties as requested. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed. (Copy of the same attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Accounts Payable for Date 10/27/2022 in the amount of \$97,607.29 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 10/31/2022.

SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED BY:

PRESIDING COMMISSIONER