

Ste. Genevieve County Commission Minutes

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2023

12TH Day of the January Term. The Commission Met Pursuant to Adjournment. Present were Presiding Commissioner Randy Ruzicka, Associate Commissioners Karen Stuppy and Mark Marberry along with Deputy County Clerk, Michele Gatzemeyer.

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

THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING THAT WAS HELD ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2023 WERE READ. COMMISSIONER MARBERRY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE SAID MINUTES AS PRESENTED WITH ONE MINOR CORRECTION. COMMISSIONER STUPPY SECONDED THE MOTION. COMMISSIONER MARBERRY YEA. COMMISSIONER STUPPY YEA. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED.

Update provided on Courthouse 'Basement' Project. Said project is nearing completion; necessary electrical work completed; there are several additional, minor issues to be addressed. Project has allowed for increased amount of storage within the Courthouse Building. (Copy of 'Invoice' for necessary electrical work attached in the amount of \$874.00 to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

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

*Truck #18 currently @ TAG Truck Centers for necessary repairs.

*Mr. Schmieder noted that R&B Department checking roads as a result of heavy winds last evening.

*Maintenance being completed on 'Mowers'.

*Pipes measured on Coffman, Avon, and Frye Roads; Mr. Schmieder reported that the cost to replace the pipes that need to be replaced on said roads will cost approximately \$12,000. Mr. Schmieder noted that he obtained pricing if the 'County' would utilize 'Squash Pipe'; however, that cost would have arrived at a substantially larger cost; Mr. Schmieder advised the Commission that he felt that would not be a 'cost effective' approach.

*Motion had been previously made by the Commission for purchase of 'Trailer' for R&B Department from 'Viper Trailer World' in Festus, MO. Invoice signed by Commissioner Ruzicka; Mr. Schmieder will travel to Festus on 2/10/2023 to pick up the same. (Copy of 'Invoice Detail' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

*Mr. Schmieder noted that he would be forwarding invoice detail for 'Spreader Bed' that was necessary purchase. Additional detail will be provided as it becomes available.

*Mr. Schmieder presented Purchase Order No. 0001 Dated 2/9/2023 for 'Snow Plow Edges' through vendor, Viking-Cives, for a "Total Cost" of \$10,128.00 with Commissioner Ruzicka signing for the same. (Copy of said Purchase Order attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Commission reviewed Community Center Roof Project. The Commission awaiting update from Grayco Roof Consulting. It was noted that no 'final payment' will be made until repairs are made with no additional leaking.

Commissioner Stuppy provided report from 'Commissioner Trip' on Tuesday, 2/7/2023. Said trip involved inspection of the Road & Bridge premises as well as Sheriff's Department to include recent 'Jail Expansion Project'. Following details were noted:

- *R&B 'Maintenance Shed' reviewed; all in agreement that improvements need to be made.

- *All (3) Commissioners in agreement that 'Jail Expansion Project' very impressive. Training room is very efficient.

Commissioner Stuppy provided update as it pertains to Ste. Genevieve Fairgrounds. Following were the items reported:

- *Minimal painting needed inside 'Youth Building'. Commissioner Stuppy reviewed w/'Painter'; appears that this should not be a problem.

- *Exit Lights have been installed as required by Ste. Genevieve County R&B Department.

- *Fire Extinguishers have been installed by 'Cintas' as needed.

- *Contact made with Colin Rogers @ Brockmiller Construction as it pertains to 'bleacher area issue' @ Fairgrounds. Commission requested this be addressed in project @ Fairgrounds last summer; however, issue still not resolved. Mr. Rogers working with Vern Bauman Contracting regarding the same.

- *Electrical Issues reviewed at today's meeting to be handled/addressed by the Ste. Genevieve County Fair Board. Commission noted that this was much appreciated.

Commissioner Stuppy provided report from the Community Services Forum Meeting that all (3) Commissioners attended on Wednesday, 2/8/2023. Following is a 'briefing' on items of importance reported:

- *Guest Speaker was Liz Connors, who is with the Missouri Institute of Mental Health on the 'Connecting the DOTS Project'. Ms. Connors has her Masters in Social Work from St. Louis University. The 'focus' of program that she is involved with strives to transform interactions between first responders and people who use drugs, as well as enhance resource networks in high-need communities to help overdose survivors get connected with services.

- *Ste. Genevieve County 'numbers' of those affected provided.

- *Program offers training for First Responders/Fentanyl Safety.

- *Community 'Coalitions' is 'Goal' of program.

- *As a result of 'Class Action' against pharma providers, it was noted that an amount of \$458,000,000.00 being provided to the 'State of Missouri' over the next 18 years with 60% of said figure to be directed to the 'State' and 40% to be directed to 'Counties' that participated in 'Class Action Suit'.

- *Application of Narcan explained; it was stated that it cannot 'hurt' someone; however, in circumstances where needed, it can 'help'. (Commissioner Stuppy referenced the following statutes, which are designed as 'protectors' in the public in the event they administrate Narcan to a party. Said Statutes are: RSMo 190.225, RSMo 195.205, and RSMo 195.206)

*Remaining members of the 'Forum' provided their regular monthly updates.

*Southeast Resource Prevention Center provided update. They are promoting 'Youth' Drug & Alcohol Prevention; this is geared towards students in Grade(s) 6th thru 12th grades.

*National Drug Take Back Day being administrated by the 'Forum' on 4/22/2023 with location to be Ste. Genevieve County Firehouse. (Possibility of additional being located in Bloomsdale, MO &/or St. Mary, MO as well.)

*Kathy Kreitler present and requested that any parties that are aware of updates needed to 'Community Resource Guide'; please make necessary updates if one is aware of the same.

Brittany w/"Healthy Blue" Program offered explanation surrounding their program, which is a Medicaid Managed Care Program.

*Joanna, Representative w/CASA Program offered update. Acronym for said program is "Court Appointed Special Advocate" Program and its relativity to the Foster Care Program.

*Linda Fitzgerald w/Workforce Development Program provided report. It was noted that Ste. Genevieve Library – Access Point.

*Dani Vaeth w/Ste. Genevieve County Health Department provided update.

*Presiding Commissioner Ruzicka provided update as it relates to 'County' and most recent happenings.

*St. Vincent de Paul representative provided update regarding 'Annual Scholarship' program. They noted that they are 'gearing' scholarship towards a 'need base'.

*Shirley Moore – "Banquet for Life" to be held on April 20th.

*Mary Bleckler w/SGCMH – It was noted that 'Women's Health Fair' to be held on 2/25/2023 at Ste. Genevieve County Memorial Hospital.

*April 25th – 'Taste of Ste. Genevieve' scheduled for this weekend.

*Commissioner Ruzicka wanted to note that 'Reappointments' were handled at this meeting for Community Center Foundation Board Members whose 'terms' were expired. Those members that were reappointed were Mr. Brian Keim and Mr. Phil Loida. In addition, it was noted that vacancy of Mr. Michael Horrell's position was filled by Mr. Colby Schilly.

Commissioner Ruzicka provided report from 'Resources to Recovery' Meeting that he attended. Group's 'mission' is to partner with local entities to decrease substance abuse and addiction in our community. 'Copy of ByLaws for Resources to Recovery' presented to Commission for their records.

*Election of Officers completed for Resources to Recovery were as follows: Bill Kraemer – 'Chair'. Estrella Carmona – 'Vice Chair'. Dani Vaeth – 'Secretary'. Mary Bleckler – 'Treasurer'. It was noted that it appears at this time that 'Law Enforcement Representative' to be Jason Crump. All involved/Board Members are 'volunteers'.

*Meetings are scheduled to be held 'Quarterly'.

*Payment requests are formed as 'Funding for Disbursement Requests' which will be monitored/then approved by the 'County' for any funding that is released from 'Resources to Recovery' Funds through Ste. Genevieve County.

(Copy of Resources to Recovery 'ByLaws' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Mr. Brad Arnold, Ste. Genevieve Community Center Director, advised the Commission that contract is coming up for renewal for the Community Center. Currently, the Community Center utilizes the services of GFI Digital. Mr. Arnold has received 'quotes' with a more advantageous rate for the Community Center that is able to offer the same comparable services. Upon reviewing information presented by Mr. Arnold, Commissioner Marberry made a 'Motion' to proceed with 'Contractual Agreement' with Americom Imaging Systems, Inc. for 'copier' services as detailed in presented 'Agreement' with contract scheduled for 60-Month Period @ Monthly Base Payment 'Cost' of \$180.92. (It was noted that said vendor is on 'State Supplier' list which allows for the 'County' to make necessary changes.) Mr. Arnold was advised that it would be necessary for provision of 'State Contract Number' for County Records as well. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Marberry yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed. (Copy of 'Agreement' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date."

Accounts Payable for Date 2/9/2023 in the amount of \$169,344.99 were reviewed and approved for payment by the Commission.

Conference call between the Commission, Courtney Wegman w/LJ Hart & Company, Sara Hoog – Treasurer, and Brad Arnold – Community Center Director was conducted. Meeting surrounded possibility of refinancing 'portion' of 'Lease Refunding Certificates of Participation' in the amount \$4,450,000 from '2018. (Those 'certificates' that meet eligibility requirements of refinancing.) Information reviewed surrounded (2) Types of Financing; 'Level Savings Solution' vs. 'Accelerated Savings Solution'. Explanation/Briefing provided by Ms. Wegman surrounding the same.

Upon detailed explanation of 'options' and potential for savings on above-mentioned 'Certificates'; Commissioner Marberry made a 'Motion' to proceed with refinancing of 'eligible' portion of '2018 Certificates that are eligible – which is amount of \$4,450,000.00 – with the understanding that S&P 'Rating Call' to be scheduled at a later date for 'Rating Process'. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Marberry yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed. As additional detail becomes available surrounding this matter; said detail will be provided.

ADJOURN

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

SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED BY:

PRESIDING COMMISSIONER