

Ste. Genevieve County Commission Minutes

THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 2023

20TH 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, MARCH 6, 2023 WERE READ. COMMISSIONER MARBERRY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE SAID MINUTES WITH A MINOR CORRECTION. COMMISSIONER STUPPY SECONDED THE MOTION. COMMISSIONER MARBERRY YEA. COMMISSIONER STUPPY YEA. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED.

The Commission was in receipt of 'Resignation Letter' from Ste. Genevieve County Fair Board Member. Upon review of the same, Commissioner Stuppy made a 'Motion' to accept the resignation of Martha Resinger – Fair Board President – effective 2/27/2023 from the Ste. Genevieve County Fair Board. Commissioner Marberry seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Stuppy yea. Commissioner Marberry yea. All in favor. Motion passed. (The Commission noted how grateful they were for Mrs. Resinger's 36 years of service on this Board. Copy of resignation letter attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Commissioner Stuppy provided report from Ste. Genevieve County Fair Board Meeting. Following were updates provided:

Officers were elected. The 'Officers' for Ste. Genevieve County Fair Board are as follows:

*Jean Werner – President

*Nick Cusanelli – Vice President

*David Bova – Treasurer

*Barb Schilli – Secretary

*Commissioner Stuppy noted that Shuh & Sons Plumbing & Heating working on HVAC System @ County Youth Building @ Ste. Genevieve County Fairgrounds.

*Commissioner Stuppy in touch with 'Painter' to perform minor work also at 'Youth Building'.

Community Center Roof Update – Commissioner Ruzicka emphasized the following:

*Commissioner advised that no payment until 'work is completed'.

*Firestone is still to perform inspection on 'Roof' in effort to be prepared for warranty information.

*C&R Mechanical working on 'pricing' figures for 'Pipes/Insulation', etc.

*'Punchlist' remains to be completed.

Commission reviewed proposed '911' Sales Tax to be placed on the ballot. Commissioner Marberry prepared 'Press Release'; (Copy attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.) As has been previously noted, Ste. Genevieve County spends approximately \$500,000 for '911' Services with a 'portion' coming from landline fee. The ISSUE is that 'landline fee' is slowly dissolving as 'landlines' are becoming obsolete. Currently, upgrades are necessary to the '911' System, which is in addition to the charges we currently experience.

Sara Hoog reiterated that the 'County' currently has a '911' Fund. Should tax 'pass'; moneys would be deposited into said Fund for revenues to be applied for the purpose of '911' services. It should be noted that this 'issue' has been discussed with Alan Wells, Director of '911' as well as 'Department Heads of Emergency Services' to include Felix Meyer – Emergency Management Director, Sheriff Stolzer, Kendall Shrum – Director of Ambulance District. All in agreement that the upgrades as proposed by Mr. Wells/'911' are NECESSARY.

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

- *Frye Road – R&B Department almost finished w/said road. The plan is to 'move' to Avon & Coffman Road(s) next week, weather permitting.

- *Mr. Schmieder noted that 'Trees' need to be 'cut'; R&B Department assessing the same.

- *Franklin Bridge – St. Mary, MO – Mr. Schmieder contacted MoDOT for 'inspection' due to the 'emergency nature' of said Bridge. Damages presented as a result of most recent flooding. Mr. Schmieder noted that 'MoDOT will not close said 'Bridge' as long as repairs are made immediately.'

- *'Road Policy' reviewed/discussed. Commission noted that there will be changes to said policy noting that any 'Road' that is taken over by the 'County' in the future (exemption is 'IF' the 'County' takes over Chestnut Ridge Subdivision) will be required to be PAVED. Said decision made in an effort to offset burden on taxpayers for new roads. Commissioner Marberry wanted to note that often, 'Developers' promise that roads will become the responsibility of the 'County'; however, 'Taxpayers' are responsible for maintaining the roads but 'County' is NOT responsible to 'Take Roads Over'. The Commission also noted that there are approximately (80) miles that remain to be paved.

Commissioner Ruzicka provided update on 'Water Issues' in Basement:

- *'Mold Remediation' was completed in basement. In an effort to provide any future issues, however, Commission will have to address this problem as there are still 'moisture problems' in the basement. Commissioner Ruzicka reported the following:

- *Woods Basement System, specialist in this issue, met with Commissioner Ruzicka to perform 'On-Site' inspection. Representative that met with Mr. Ruzicka was Mr. Matthew Cobb. He estimated that their recommendation would run in the vicinity of approximately \$8,000.

- *Mr. Michael Clancy w/RenoDry – company based out of Kansas City, Kansas – also met with Commissioner Ruzicka regarding same matter. They also specialize in these services.

Proposal being determined; Commissioner Ruzicka noted that he will be reaching out to (1) additional source. As additional information becomes available; said detail to be provided.

Jodi Ralston, Office Manager for the University of MO Extension Council, provided 'Certification of Members and Officers' pertaining to recent elections of the same. (Copy of said 'Certification of Members' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Brief report provided from Community Services Forum Meeting that was held on Wednesday, 3/8/2023. Following were details provided:

- *Guest speaker was Brittney Essary w/Healthy Blue – a MO Healthnet Managed Care Medicaid Health Plan.

- *Great Turnout/Excellent Participation.

- *Drug 'Take Back' scheduled to be held at Ste. Genevieve County Fire Department on April 22, 2023 from 9:00 A.M. until 'Noon'.

- *COMMISSION NOTED THAT INFORMATION MEETING TO BE HELD AT 'SPORTS COMPLEX' @ COMMUNITY CENTER ON THURSDAY, 3/16/2023 @ 7:00 P.M. REGARDING '911' SALES TAX ISSUE. ALAN WELLS, 911 DIRECTOR IS SCHEDULED AT SAID MEETING.

Commission reviewed 'Employee Manual'. Upon review of Page 27 of the same; it was believed that 'change' needed to be made. Upon detailed review and much discussion regarding the same; Commissioner Stuppy made a 'Motion' to approve correction to Employee Policy Manual as follows: "County Employees Working Ten or More Consecutive Hours Shall be Compensated with an Additional One-Half Hour Compensated Time Subject to the Approval of the Commission." (Law Enforcement Personnel Assigned to Twenty-Four Hour Services Schedules are Excluded.) Commissioner Marberry seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Stuppy yea. Commissioner Marberry yea. All in favor. Motion passed. (Copies of applicable documentation relating to above noted change attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Marberry to 'Enter' into Closed Session 'Meeting' at 11:10 A.M. – pursuant to RSMo 610.021(1) – as it relates to 'Litigation'. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the 'Motion'. All in favor. Motion passed. Roll Call was Taken. Commissioner Ruzicka – Aye. Commissioner Marberry – Aye. Commissioner Stuppy – Aye.

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Marberry to 'Exit' Closed Session 'Meeting' at 11:43 A.M. – pursuant to RSMo 610.021(1) – as it relates to 'Litigation'. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the 'Motion'. All in favor. Motion passed. Roll Call was Taken. Commissioner Ruzicka – Aye. Commissioner Marberry – Aye. Commissioner Stuppy – Aye.

Commissioner Stuppy addressed 'Payable' for HVAC invoicing for work completed at Ste. Genevieve County Youth Building @ Ste. Genevieve County Fairgrounds. Upon close review of the same; Commissioner Stuppy made a 'Motion' to 'Approve' reimbursement for the same as it was EMERGENCY EXPENDITURE for repairs necessary to HVAC System due to the fact that 'Equipment Failed' requiring immediate repairs. Commissioner Marberry seconded the Motion.

Commissioner Stuppy yea. Commissioner Marberry yea. All in favor. Motion passed.
(Commissioner Stuppy noted that funds to be taken from 'Repairs & Upkeep'.

Accounts Payable for Date 3/9/2023 in the amount of \$137,752.58 were reviewed and approved for payment by the Commission.

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