

Ste. Genevieve County Commission Minutes

THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 2023

2ND Day of the April Term. The Commission Met Pursuant to Adjournment. Present were Presiding Commissioner Randy Ruzicka, Associate Commissioners Karen Stuppy and Mark Marberry along with the 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 4/3/2023 WERE READ. COMMISSIONER STUPPY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE SAID MINUTES AS PRESENTED. COMMISSIONER MARBERRY SECONDED THE MOTION. COMMISSIONER STUPPY YEA. COMMISSIONER MARBERRY YEA. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED.

Commission contacted Mr. Jeremy Crocker w/Hutson Glass Company regarding 'measures' to be taken for 'window installation' by Hutson Glass Company beginning on Monday, 4/10/2023.

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

*Mr. Schmieder noted that 'Road Crews' working on cleaning up 'storm damage'; limbs/trees/etc. Report was called into the 'County' about 'tree down' @ Windsor Village Subdivision; this was reported to Special Road District. Commissioner Ruzicka was contacted surrounding 'tree down' on Boyd Road; R&B Department addressed immediately.

*Mr. Schmieder reported that R&B Department intending to do 'Dig Outs'; in addition, areas need to be repaired on Cave Road as well as Roth Cemetery Road.

*Mr. Schmieder noted that he is waiting on update to his computer program before he can 'make signs'.

Reply forwarded to the 'County' from Jason Kirkman w/DNR regarding questions that have been forwarded regarding Boyd Road. Mr. Kirkman has acknowledged that the 'flooding issues' on Boyd Road are outside the scope of their regulatory authority. The 'County' will continue to search for various ways to improve the on-going issues; if additional information is realized; it will be provided accordingly. (Copy of DNR reply attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Franklin Bridge reviewed; Commission spoke to Chris Crocker w/MoDOT; he referred 'County' to Karen Daniels, Senior Historic Preservation Specialist surrounding the possibility of 'marketing' said structure. The 'County' is doing research in effort to determine feasibility/legality of the same. Measures need to be taken surrounding 'Bridge' before 'Bank' gives way. (Commission contacted Happy Welch, Ste. Genevieve City Administrator, to advise that 'Franklin Bridge' is currently closed regarding upcoming 'Bike Race' scheduled for this weekend.)

Commissioner Marberry called for 'Question' on R&B Policy Manual Update to be reviewed. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the 'Motion'.

Upon review of 'Question' as it pertained to suggested correction surrounding 'Chestnut Ridge Acres'; Commissioner Marberry made a 'Motion' to correct the 'Timeframe' for 'Chestnut Acres Subdivision' be changed to allow said residents (since they were grandfathered under 'old' requirements) to allow the same until 1st regularly scheduled meeting in '2024 of the first term. This will allow them additional time for their request to be accomplished. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Marberry yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

Update on Community Center Roof provided. Following were the updates:

*Mr. Brad Arnold, Executive Director for the Community Center noted that there are still several 'leaking' issues to be addressed that are resulting in 'issues'. Mr. Greg Howell did report that unit where A.C. Unit is located appears to be dry at this time on a positive 'note'.

As previously discussed, Ste. Genevieve Community Center reported necessity of 'new freezer' for waterpark. It was noted that 'commercial grade' freezer needed. The 'Community Center' performed their due diligence in obtaining pricing for said 'unit' and conferred with the Sheriff's Department since they frequently need to purchase these types of 'items' for the Jail. The following quotes provided:

*Katom - \$6,322.95 – Includes Delivery.

*Sessions - \$7,158.06 – Does not include 'Delivery'.

*Restaurant Equipment - \$7,558 – Includes Delivery.

Upon close review of the detail provided; Commissioner Marberry made a 'Motion' to 'Approve' the Community Center's purchase of commercial freezer unit through Katom with the 'low bid' along with additional assistance provided by Sheriff's Department. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Marberry yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed. (Copy of proposed detail as obtained by Community Center attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Commissioner Ruzicka noted a "Thank You" to countywide voters for their support surrounding the recent ballot issues pertaining to '99 Sales Tax Issue' as well as 'Marijuana Sales Tax Issue'.

Commission reviewed 'Proposal' for 'Consultant' for Parkland REDI Committee; It was noted by the Commission that there was uncertainty as to how this would benefit the County of Ste. Genevieve. (Copy of said 'Proposal' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Commissioner Stuppy reviewed 'Electric Charging Stations' as has been discussed previously. Commission noted that "unless something changes in pricing structure, they cannot justify paying \$363,000 for (9) Units as presented by Jeremy Tanz w/SEMO RPC. There is concern over how 'funding' could be continued. It was noted that this would not appear to be 'best use' of tax dollars.

Ste. Genevieve County Health Department provided update for the month of March '2023. The following detail provided:

*Influenza A Cases – 1

*Influenza B Cases – 1

*Influenza Deaths – 0

*COVID-19 Cases – 41

*COVID-19 Deaths – 0 (Copy of Health Department Detail reported attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Commissioner Marberry reported on 'Substantial Damage Estimation Workshop' he attended that was offered through SEMA (for FEMA). Response Plan being put together regarding the same.

Deputy County Clerk, Michele Gatzemeyer, reported that ARPA Reporting submitted as required for ARPA Federal Funding in effort for the 'County' to remain in State, Local, and Tribal Support (SLFRF) Compliance. (Reporting Detail can be located in ARPA Folder located in County Clerk Office.)

Courtney Wegman, C.P.A./Vice President of LJ Hart & Co., appeared before the Commission to provide 'detail' surrounding the 'Project for Ste. Genevieve County' approving the Issuance of Lease Refunding Certificates of Participation in the Aggregate stated Principal Amount of \$4,530,000, in Order to Provide Funds, Together with other Funds Provided by the County, to Prepay, in Advance of their Maturities, \$4,450,000 Principal Amount of the County's Lease Certificates of Participation, Series 2018; Authorizing and Approving Certain Documents in Connection with the Issuance of Said Certificates; and Authorizing Certain Other Actions in Connection with the Issuance of said Certificates. It was noted that 'County' received "A" Rating from S&P Global Ratings. The 'Savings' to the Community Center Water Park will equate to approximately \$40,000/year. 'News Release' attached by Ms. Wegman.

Upon close review of all paperwork presented by Ms. Wegman, Commissioner Marberry made a 'Motion' to 'Approve' Resolution as indicated per above. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Marberry yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed. (Copy of 'Resolution' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

The Commission wanted to offer a tremendous amount of 'Thanks' to Courtney Wegman for your much appreciated assistance.

Commissioner Stuppy made a 'Motion' to approve the 'Appointment' of Kyleigh Sulkowski, first year agriculture teacher @ Ste. Genevieve RII School District, to the Ste. Genevieve County Fair Board to fill vacancy on the same as a result of recent resignation of Martha Resinger. Commissioner Marberry seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Stuppy yea. Commissioner Marberry yea. All in favor. Motion passed. (Copy of 'Request' Letter for Fair Board Position as well as 'Appointment' Letter attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Breakdown of legal fees for Tax Appeals for 'Holcim Appeals' as they relate to 'General Revenue' and 'R&B Department' were presented by Sue Wolk, County Clerk.

*Commissioner Stuppy made a 'Motion' to approve legal fees to be reimbursed from 'General Revenue' for amount of \$9,792.41 as presented. Commissioner Marberry seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Stuppy yea. Commissioner Marberry yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

*Commissioner Stuppy made a 'Motion' to approve legal fees to be reimbursed from 'R&B' Department for amount of \$9,553.16 as presented. Commissioner Marberry seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Stuppy yea. Commissioner Marberry yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Marberry to 'Enter' into Closed Session 'Meeting' at 11:30 A.M. – pursuant to RSMo 610.021(1) as it relates to 'Contracts'. 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 Stuppy to 'Exit' Closed Session portion of 'Meeting' at 1:03 P.M. – re: RSMo 610.021(1) as it relates to 'Contracts' Commissioner Marberry seconded the 'Motion'. All in favor. Motion passed. Roll Call was Taken. Commissioner Ruzicka – Aye. Commissioner Stuppy – Aye. Commissioner Marberry – Aye.

TREASURER – COMMISSION ORDER #2175 (See Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

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Accounts Payable for Date 4/6/2023 in the amount of \$34,569.28 were reviewed and approved for payment by the Commission.

ADJOURN

A Motion was made by Commissioner Stuppy to adjourn @ 1:15 P.M. Commissioner Marberry seconded the Motion.

SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED BY:

PRESIDING COMMISSIONER