

Ste. Genevieve County Commission Minutes

MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2023

5TH 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 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 4/13/2023 WERE READ. COMMISSIONER MARBERRY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE SAID MINUTES AS PRESENTED. COMMISSIONER STUPPY SECONDED THE MOTION. COMMISSIONER MARBERRY YEA. COMMISSIONER STUPPY YEA. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED.

Jason Schott appeared in front of the Commission on behalf of Senate Bill 40 Board. Mr. Schott presented 'Letter of Resignation' from Mary Jo Ramer, who has dedicated a substantial amount of her time to servicing the same. Mr. Schott also presented 'Letter of Interest' to 'fill the position' of Mrs. Ramer.

Upon review of letters presented; Commissioner Marberry made a 'Motion' to approve the 'Resignation' of Mary Jo Ramer on the Senate Bill 40 Board with 'Appointment' of Dr. Julie Flieg based on her expressed interest per 'Letter' that was submitted. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Marberry yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed. (Letters of 'Resignation' for Mrs. Ramer as well as 'Request for Appointment' for Mrs. Flieg attached 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 the items of importance reported:

*Mr. Schmieder noted that 'Skid Steer' is being closely monitored. It has had a few minor issues; as additional information becomes available, said detail to be provided.

*Mr. Schmieder's 'previous' pickup having issues; additional detail to follow.

*Mr. Schmieder advised that they are finishing 'Frye' Road this week. Mr. Schmieder noted that R&B Department will then be going to Straughn Road; he will then go to Coffman Road.

*Mr. Schmieder reported on call received from resident on 'Frye Road' claiming that the R&B Department had 'dropped' 2" rock on "O Road"/Farmington location. Individual claimed that 'Road Department' had come from Lead Belt Materials. Mr. Schmieder noted that there was no way that this could have occurred; the R&B Department DID NOT haul ANY rock from Lead Belt Material; Mr. Schmieder simply wanted to provide response 'On Record'.

*Commissioner Stuppy requested that R&B Department place additional sign on Quarry Hills Road in effort to 'divert' traffic that is going to Magnolia Hollow. Commissioner Stuppy to speak with 'Special Road District' to make sure this is acceptable prior to proceeding.

Commission was present for 'coordinated' meeting with representatives from 'Commonwealth', which is company that is working on 'Permitting' for Wabash Power/Salem Valley Bulk Power Project. The following points of interest are as follows:

- *Wabash noted that project is a 'joint effort' with Citizens Electric.

- *Project scheduled to be 21-miles of improvements from 'beginning' to 'end'.

- *Upon completion of project; it is expected to lead to 'Valley View Substation' w/(2) substations to be 'cut' into the middle w/these substations to be 'Kinsey Substation' as well as 'Sprott Substation'.

- *It was noted that 'Easement Acquisition' moving forward.

- *'Tree Clearing' to begin for project.

- *Commonwealth to forward the 'County' copy of 'File' w/the 'Details' surrounding entire project. Access Plan to be forwarded as well.

- *On-going conversations w/Landowners/Multi-Year Project. They advised that they are 96% 'confident' that all 'easement acquisitions' acquired.

- *Question was posed to 'Commonwealth' as to where 'Temporary Entrances' are planned for placement for this project. Drainage issues will have to be considered. It was confirmed that 'culvert installations' to be placed at site of 'Temporary Entrances'.

- *Commissioner Ruzicka noted that he would like to emphasize 'Proper Safety Measures' as it pertains to 'Flagging', etc. They noted that you have to maintain 'DOT' (Department of Transportation) 'Safety' Guidelines. Suggestion was provided that 'Commonwealth' must coordinate with Scott Schmieder, R&B Foreman.

- *'Commonwealth' to draw up 'Erosion Control Measures'.

Brad Arnold, Executive Director for Ste. Genevieve Community Center, as well as Mr. Bob Nugent, Community Center Board Member, appeared before the Commission to provide 'Solar Energy Proposal' for the 'Community Center Complex' with presentation prepared by: Adam Basler (Freedom Security); Lief Millican w/Freedom Solar; and Brooke Millican w/Freedom Solar. Explanation of projected savings should 'Community Center' install 'solar panels' along with cost for project. Focus of meeting directed toward 'potential savings' on electric bills with the installation of proposed solar panels in effort to reduce energy cost for the 'County'. Potential for 'Grants' mentioned. (Copy of 'Proposal' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Marberry to 'Enter' into Closed Session 'Meeting' at 11:17 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 Marberry to 'Exit' Closed Session portion of 'Meeting' at 12:00 P.M. – re: RSMo 610.021(1) – As it relates to 'Contracts' as well as RSMo 610.021(1) – as it relates to possible 'litigation'. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the 'Motion'. All in favor. Motion passed. Roll Call was Taken. Commissioner Ruzicka – Aye. Commissioner Marberry – Aye. Commissioner Stuppy – Aye.

The Commission reviewed 'Resignation Request' from member of the Mental Health Board. After careful consideration and with great sadness; Commissioner Marberry made a 'Motion' to 'Approve' resignation of Mr. William Kraemer from the Ste. Genevieve Mental Health Board. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Marberry yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed. (Copies of resignation request attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

The Commission reviewed 'Request for Appointment' from interested party that desires to serve on the Ste. Genevieve Mental Health Board. Upon close observation of request; Commissioner Stuppy made a 'Motion' to approve the appointment of Mrs. Sarah McMahon to the Ste. Genevieve Mental Health Board as replacement to Mr. Bill Kraemer. Commissioner Marberry seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Stuppy yea. Commissioner Marberry yea. All in favor. Motion passed. (Copy of 'Request' along with 'Letter of Appointment' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Accounts Payable for Date 4/17/2023 in the amount of \$128,684.86 were reviewed and approved for payment by the Commission.

ADJOURN

A Motion was made by Commissioner Stuppy to adjourn @ 12:15 P.M. Commissioner Marberry seconded the Motion.

SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED BY:

PRESIDING COMMISSIONER