

Ste. Genevieve County Commission Minutes

**THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 2023**

4<sup>TH</sup> 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 4/6/2023 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.

THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING THAT WAS HELD ON 4/10/2023 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.

Regarding the project consisting of placing 'Ditch Road Box Culverts' as well as 'Box Culvert' on Misplay Road; Chris McCann w/McCann Concrete has advised that 'Box Culverts' are on schedule for completion for month of 'July' as was previously ordered. Contact was made w/Brandon Hindman w/Budrovich to insure that crane is available at said time.

Lake Forest Clean Water District presented their 'final pay request' for their ARPA Funding Request that applies to 'meter installation project' as was already approved by the Ste. Genevieve County Commission. Upon review of the 'final pay request submitted'; Commissioner Stuppy made a 'Motion' to approve 'final pay request in the amount of \$66,200 as presented'. Commissioner Marberry seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Stuppy yea. Commissioner Marberry yea. All in favor. Motion passed. (Copy of said 'Pay Request' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Mr. Felix Meyer, Emergency Management Director, appeared before the Commission and provided the following updates:

\*'911' Board approved 'Grant Writer' for AFG Grant which is an attempt to upgrade their mobiles to service (2) Counties along with (17) fire departments. Mr. Meyer reviewed 'upgrades' – especially RADIO Upgrades w/Expected Completion Date of '2025.

Community Center Roof Update – Following are the details provided:

\*Commissioner Ruzicka met with Contractors, Brad Arnold, and Maintenance Staff, @ 9:00 A.M. on Tuesday – 4/11/2023.

\*There are still 'ponding areas' on 'Roof', especially in area of 'Air Conditioning Units'.

\*Firestone still needs to inspect roof; Contractor claims that 'warranty' will still be approved as long as 'standing water' evaporates in 48 hours.

\*Firestone to do thorough 'inspection' prior to providing warranty detail. Commissioner Ruzicka noted that he will be present upon 'warranty inspection' being performed by Firestone.

\*It was noted that it appears that there is less 'leaking' @ Community Center at this time; however, matter continues to be monitored.

\*Commissioner Ruzicka noted that the 'County' will stay on top of matter until "ROOF IS DRY".

Bid Request forwarded to applicable contractors for upcoming 'Paving Projects' on the following roads: Cave Road, Roth Cemetery Road, and New Offenburg Road. Bid Opening scheduled for 4/20/2023 @ 10:00 A.M. (Copy of 'Bid Request' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

'Upstairs' Courthouse Windows being installed by Hutson Glass Company. Window Treatments to be installed after window installation is complete by awarded contractor, Independent Blinds, out of Cape Girardeau, MO.

Ste. Genevieve County 'Fair Board' Letter of Appointment as previously 'approved' sent to Ms. Kyleigh Sulkowski. (Copy of 'Appointment Letter' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Sheriff Stolzer presented 'Amendment to the Food Service Partnership Agreement' between Ste. Genevieve County and Summit Food Service, LLC. The 'County' had originally entered into agreement in '2007. Presented documentation extends 'pricing adjustment' to the 'partnership'. Upon close review of 'Agreement' presented; Commissioner Stuppy made a 'Motion' to approve 'Food Service Contract Amendment' with slight price increase in cost 'per meal' per day for inmates. Commissioner Marberry seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Stuppy yea. Commissioner Marberry yea. All in favor. Motion passed. (Copy of 'Amendment' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Ste. Genevieve County Fairgrounds Update provided with the following details reported:

\*Ste. Genevieve County Fair Board reviewing items to be moved prior to upcoming 'Fair'.

\*Gate to be placed @ "Top of Hill" to prevent traffic from entering 'close' to 'Youth Building'.

\*Commissioner Stuppy noted that she will be inspecting 'area' under Bleachers; additional detail to follow.

\*FFA 'Mini Fair' to be conducted @ Fairgrounds on May 9<sup>th</sup>.

\*Commissioner Stuppy working with Chip Marzucio surrounding upcoming 'Spring for Down Syndrome Benefit' that is scheduled to be held at 'Fairgrounds'.

Commissioners Ruzicka and Marberry attended 'Legislative Day' in Jefferson City on 4/11 & 4/12. The following updates provided:

- \*Opportunity provided opportunity to meet with legislators.
- \*Commissioners met with Governor, Lt. Governor, Senators, and Representatives.
- \*It was noted that 'Budget Surplus' at 'State Level' to be utilized for widening of I-70.
- \*It was noted that there is a 'focus' to promote support for 'Rural Missouri'.

Sharon Giesler appeared before the Commission on behalf of VFW Auxiliary. Certificate was presented to the Commission for 'flying' our flag each day.

Mark Spykerman w/Gilmore & Bell, P.C. contacted the Commission to advise that Mountain Express Oil and WHRG TC-NW-MO LLC (the Mountain Express affiliate that owns Ozora Travel Plaza) has filed bankruptcy. Sara Hoog, Treasurer, in contact with Mr. Spykerman in an effort to review proper procedures for Ozora TIF. As additional information becomes available; said detail to be provided. TIF does not include 'Motel'; TIF does not include revenue generated from Hotel Sales. Restaurant would be included in TIF; should it reopen – this would have to be addressed at that time.

"Mark" w/BNSF Railroad contacted the Commission to advise that they are in the process of working on 'Railroad Crossing Maintenance'.

Sue Wolk, County Clerk, appeared before the Commission to inform the Commission of HB 1194 – "Delinquent Personal Property Taxes". Said bill, sponsored by 'Matthiesen' would prohibit a county collector from collecting any fee or imposing interest or any other penalty for delinquent personal property taxes until after May 1<sup>st</sup> of the year following the year in which the taxes were assessed and due. Said 'bill' would adversely affect the 'Counties' Budgets. Commissioner Marberry noted that he would compose a letter to be forwarded to legislators. (Copy of HB 1194 attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Letter forwarded to 'Daughters of American Revolution' by Commissioner Stuppy regarding 'monument' that they wanted to place on Courthouse property.

The Commission reviewed 'sculpture' as presented/suggested for placement on 'Art Guild Grounds'. Upon further review of details/drawing provided; Commissioner Stuppy made a 'Motion' to approve the allowance of the Ste. Genevieve Art Guild to proceed with 'sculpture placement' as was presented. (Copy of drawing on record.) 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 11:00 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 Stuppy to 'Exit' Closed Session portion of 'Meeting' at 11:27 A.M. – re: RSMo 610.021(1) as it relates to 'Litigation'. Commissioner Marberry seconded

the 'Motion'. All in favor. Motion passed. Roll Call was Taken. Commissioner Ruzicka – Aye. Commissioner Stuppy – Aye. Commissioner Marberry – Aye.

Sara Hoog, Treasurer, appeared before the Commission as it relates to 'refinance' that was recently completed surrounding 'Certificates for Ste. Genevieve County Water Park'. UMB Corporate Trust 'handling' processing of financing and questioned 'IF' the County wanted UMB to continue using 'money market' fund for 'balances in their custody relating to said funds.

After review of details presented, Commissioner Marberry made a 'Motion' to allow UMB to continue 'using money market fund for balances in the custody of UMB Bank' as explained by Ms. Elizabeth Henry w/UMB Bank. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Marberry yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed. (Copy of email forwarded by Ms. Henry attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Accounts Payable for Date 4/13/2023 in the amount of \$170,712.18 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:

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APPROVED BY:

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PRESIDING COMMISSIONER