

Ste. Genevieve County Commission Minutes

MONDAY, JULY 3, 2023

Regular Day of the July 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 THURSDAY, JUNE 29TH, 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.

Mr. Scott Schmieder, R&B Foreman, appeared before the Commission. Following were the items reported for said meeting:

*Mr. Schmieder reported that he is still obtaining details along w/pricing for necessary repairs to 'Boom Mower'. Mr. Schmieder is also researching the possibility of a 'new tractor' should the 'County' decide to go this route. As additional information becomes available; said detail will be presented.

*The Commission was made aware that 'plan' is to move 'Franklin Bridge' on Wednesday by new owners, Fischer Fun Farm. Mr. Schmieder noted that they will be present for project. Question was posed surrounding the 'Grating' that was 'attached' to Franklin Bridge. The 'County' will keep the 'Metal Grating' for possible use on future projects. In addition, 'Grating' was paid for with funding from FEMA Disaster. County keeping said material for above reasons.

*Mr. Schmieder noted that 'Excavator' should be moved to 'Ditch Road' on Wednesday for upcoming project. As has been previously noted; Ditch & Kinsey Road(s) will offer limited use over the next month as this project continues. The 'R&B Department' asks that all local residents in this area offer understanding throughout this process.

*Commissioner Stuppy noted that 'Letters' will need to be forwarded to residents in this area.

*Mr. Schmieder noted that he had been contacted on Friday surrounding what 'moisture issues' were still present in Chestnut Acres Subdivision. Mr. Schmieder provided detail accordingly as has been previously noted to residents in said area.

*Local resident that resides on Gillespie Road called while Mr. Schmieder was present. He wanted to inquire about the possibility of a 'portion' of Gillespie Road being paved beyond the 'point' where 'road width' is not wide enough? Commission, along with Mr. Schmieder, to reinspect this portion of roadway in an effort to see what might be able to be done. Commission noted that activity would definitely not occur this year as all R&B Projects for this year are already in 'queue'. (Tentative 'Road Inspection' scheduled for 7/12/2023.)

*Several calls received from residents on 'Misplay Road' to inquire about road improvements. Explanation provided.

Phone call was received from resident as it pertains to 'Burn Advisory' issued by 'County' last Thursday as a result of severe 'drought' currently in this area. It was noted that advisory set in place due to the 'Concern' should a fire occur with the severely 'dry conditions'.

Volunteer firefighter contacted Commission surrounding whether or not there was advisory still in place discouraging 'fireworks display'. Question was specifically posed for 'Lake Forest Estates'. The Commission explained that the 'Request' made by the Commission was an 'ADVISORY'; they also noted that 'fire departments' are advising that if fire would ensue from a situation created by local organization/individual/etc.; they would be held responsible for the damages.

As it relates to '911' and updates surrounding the 'Transition' of services from the 'County' to the new '911 Board'; Certified Letter sent to the St. Francois County Joint Communication Center surrounding "Notice of Change of Government Agency" as responsibility of '911' Services in the process of transitioning to the recently formed '911 Board' for Ste. Genevieve County. (Copy of 'Certified Letter' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Message left with Joseph Heilig w/Trapper Joe's Nuisance Wildlife Control to advise that the 'County' is still in need of Certificate of Worker's Compensation Insurance as well as 'Contract'.

Community Center 'Roof' Project Update:

*Additional inspection scheduled for Wednesday; Commissioner Marberry to coordinate with Mr. Arnold.

*Jeremy Schmidt w/GWS Contractors noted that as it pertains to 'Roof Drains'; material most likely to be utilized will be PVC. All were in agreement this this would be acceptable and may result in some 'savings' to the 'County'.

Area resident inquired about a list of detailed information surrounding 'Fair Board' operations. He was advised that 'Request' would have to be made in the form of a "Sunshine Request" pursuant to RSMo 610.023.3.

Ste. Genevieve County Fair Board provided 'listing' of 4-H/FFA County Fair Rules for those "4-H/FFA Members" that stay 'overnight' on Fairgrounds during the 'Fair' in effort to monitor/stay with their livestock. Several changes were noted that will be enforced next year; (Copy of "4-H/FFA County Fair Camping Rules attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Missouri Association of Counties forwarded letter to County Commissioners throughout the 'State of Missouri' requesting that 1% of each County's "LATCF – (Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund) be set aside for the formation of 'Center', which aims to ensure Payment in-Lieu of Taxes (PILT), Secure Rural Schools (SRS) and other federal revenue sharing programs continue to flow to our counties with public lands. Additional consideration to be provided to said subject. Additional detail to follow.

TREASURER – COMMISSION ORDER #2177 (See Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

TREASURER – COMMISSION ORDER #2178 (See Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

TREASURER – COMMISSION ORDER #2179 (See Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Sara Hoog, Treasurer, made the Commission aware of the fact that she has reached out to all 'available' contacts as it pertains to the Ozora TIF as the 'County' is in need of knowing "WHO" is the 'Registered Agent' since the Ozora Travel Complex has been sold with the State of Missouri. The question was posed, "Who/What is being reported from said entity as it relates to Sales Tax/Fuel Tax/etc." as the 'County' continuously comes to a 'Dead-End' relating to this information. Mrs. Hoog has been in constant contact with Mark Spykerman, legal counsel w/Gilmore Bell regarding the same; to date, everything leads to nothing. The next 'step' that Mrs. Hoog is taking in this process is contacting the Missouri Department of Revenue – Taxation Division.

Accounts Payable for Date 7/3/2023 in the amount of \$354,682.14 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.

Ordered that the Commission adjourn until 7/6/2023.

SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED BY:

PRESIDING COMMISSIONER