

Ste. Genevieve County Commission Minutes

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2023**

23<sup>RD</sup> 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, SEPTEMBER 14, 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 Supervisor, appeared before the Commission to provide report for today's meeting. Following were the items reported:

\*Mr. Schmieder noted that R&B Department will be purchasing 'Electric Pole Saw'. Purchase will be < than \$6,000 'threshold'; thus, this did not need to be placed for 'Bid'.

\*Tractor Repairs Complete w/'Repairs' completed by Flieg's Equipment.

\*Mr. Schmieder reported that 'STEPP' Crack Patcher in need of 'new pump'.

\*Current 'projects' being completed consist of: 'Dig Outs'/'Asphalt Patching'/'Mowing'/'General Maintenance'.

\*Mr. Schmieder advised the Commission that 'Pipe Repairs' need to be completed on various 'County Roads'. In particular, it was noted that 'Pipe Repairs' to be completed on Salem School Road as well as Mill Creek Road.

\*The Commission, along with Mr. Schmieder, to perform 'Road Inspections' Wednesday, 9/27/2023.

The Commission reviewed 'Semi-Annual' Agreement for Preventive Maintenance and Load Bank Testing as it provided by Southeast Services, Inc. Details reported in 'Minutes' from previous meeting. Upon close review of 'Agreement' presented; Commissioner Stuppy made a 'Motion' to 'lock in' the annual maintenance costs @ current rates for up to (4) years with billing to be completed annually at a 'Rate' of \$1,635.00 per year. Commissioner Marberry seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Stuppy yea. Commissioner Marberry yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

Community Center Roof Project – Commissioners Marberry & Ruzicka met with Aaron Rosen, PE – Principal @ Rosen BEC, Grayco Roof Consultants, and Bade Roofing on 9/20/2023. Mr. Rosen performed 'Testing' with the following items of specific interest noted:

\*Moisture 'Lead Readings' taken w/'moisture issues' definitely noted .

\*Measurements taken to 'Roof Decking'.

\*Findings to be compiled in report for 'Course of Action' and how best to 'move forward'.

\*Commissioner Ruzicka advised that inspection performed by Mr. Rosen was 'very thorough'.

Mr. Brad Arnold, Community Center Director, along with Dave Weber, President of the Ste. Genevieve Community Center Board, appeared before the Commission at this point in the meeting.

\*Mr. Arnold identified that they are still waiting on 'Tile Refinishing' surrounding 'Indoor Pool Area'.

\*Plaster turned out 'well'.

\*Rooftop Unit necessitated 'Repairs'; however, Mr. Arnold advised that 'Repairs' were minor.

\*Indoor 'Vortex' Pool Pump needs to be replaced. (Mr. Arnold obtaining 'Quotes' but noted that it is believed that this could fall below 'Bid Requirement' threshold. Last 'Date' that this item of equipment was replaced was '2009.

\*Mr. Arnold noted that they are in the process of moving 'Part-Time' Custodian Staff to 'Full-Time' Position after October.

\*Community Center in search of 'Aquatics' Director.

\*Goal to provide/promote more 'Community' focused events. As previously noted, the Ste. Genevieve Library will be hosting a 'Christmas Event' on December 15<sup>th</sup>.

\*Mr. Arnold noted that the 'Community Center' is forwarding 'Survey' to generate 'Community Events'. Additional details to follow.

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Marberry to 'Enter' into Emergency Closed Session 'Meeting' at 9:31 A.M. – pursuant to RSMo 610.021 (3) as it relates to 'Personnel'. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the 'Motion'. All in favor. Motion passed. Roll was Taken. Commissioner Ruzicka – Aye. Commissioner Marberry – Aye. Commissioner Stuppy – Aye.

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Marberry to 'Exit' Emergency Closed Session 'Meeting' at 10:40 A.M. – pursuant to RSMo 610.021(3) as it relates to 'Personnel' as well as RSMo 610.021(1) – relating to 'Litigation'. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the 'Motion'. All in favor. Motion passed. Roll was Taken. Commissioner Ruzicka – Aye. Commissioner Marberry – Aye. Commissioner Stuppy – Aye.

Sheriff Stolzer appeared before the Commission. Review of 'Security Cameras' discussed. Sheriff Stolzer reported the following:

\*Technology offered by Freedom Security much further 'advanced' with cameras offering higher grade capabilities pertaining to facial recognition as well as license plate reader(s).

\*As previously noted surrounding this project; Sealed Bids requested with advertisement having been placed in local news publication.

\*A 'Total' of (2) Bids received; both parties submitting 'Bids' were provided schematic of what was needed within bid process/expectations of the 'County'.

\*As previously noted, Sealed Bid Opening held; 'low bid' received from B&D Telecom was \$28,923 (over 5-year period) with additional bid received from 'Freedom Security' for

amount of \$49,805 (over 5-year period). As noted per above, however, there is major technological variance between said (2) companies. Explanation offered that major price difference = 'Quality' of cameras.

\*Sheriff Stolzer also provided detail on the much further advancement capabilities of 'Search Engine' with product from Freedom Security.

\*Sheriff Stolzer noted that 'product' would be able to offer assistance for 'security' purposes at the 'Courthouse'.

After extended deliberation surrounding 'Security Cameras'; Commissioner Stuppy made a 'Motion' to approve proceeding with the purchase of 'Security Cameras' through vendor, Freedom Security, at a 5-year pricing threshold of \$49,805. Although award is being given to 'higher bidder', the justification lies in the fact that 'advanced technology' offered is measurably more significant and will offer increased level of 'security' capabilities for law enforcement/security at the 'Courthouse'. This based on the recommendation of Sheriff Stolzer. Final decision took into consideration that product will assist 'law enforcement', offer increased security @ 'Courthouse', and reimbursement to be paid from 'Capital Improvement'. Commissioner Marberry seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Stuppy yea. Commissioner Marberry yea. All in favor. Motion passed. (Copy of 'Invitation to Bid' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Accounts Payable for Date 9/21/2023 om the amount of \$54,599.55 were reviewed and approved for payment by the Commission.

### **ADJOURN**

A Motion was made by Commissioner Stuppy to adjourn @ 12:30 P.M. Commissioner Marberry seconded the Motion.

Ordered that the Commission adjourn until 9/25/2023.

SUBMITTED BY:

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APPROVED BY:

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PRESIDING COMMISSIONER