

Ste. Genevieve County Commission Minutes

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2023

25TH 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 MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2023 ARE SCHEDULED TO BE READ AT NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2023.

The Commission reported that there are no new updates regarding 'Community Center Roof Project'. It was, however, reported that the Community Center was able to invest in a machine inexpensively that is working well on 'cleaning' tiles in Indoor Pool Area.

Report provided from Southeast Missouri Commissioner's Meeting from Commissioner Stuppy. Following were pertinent details relating to 'County':

*DNR - @ full staff; wrapping up fiscal year; training being conducted to 'train' officers for waste water systems; Engineering Service Grants for Disadvantaged Communities mentioned. (Potential for Grants to benefit possible areas in our 'County' being reviewed by Commissioner Marberry.)

*Chris Crocker w/MoDOT was in attendance and noted that Jason Williams has taken over position vacated by retiring, Andy Meyer.

*Mr. Crocker also noted that TAP Grant Announcement(s) to be delivered on or around November 1st.

*Timelines to be adhered to/followed regarding "BRO" Projects.

*TEAP – (Traffic Engineering Assistance Program) Grants available.

*Chester Bridge – Project 'started' last week w/completion date expected to be December '2026.

*'Emergency Management' Report – A 'Full Scale' Earthquake Disaster Preparedness to be held on April 4th, 2024; Emergency Management Departments to be notified w/additional details to be forthcoming.

*SEMA – Disaster Declaration Provided relating to Federal Disaster 4741 w/"Impact Dates" of July 29th – August 14th.

*SEMO Regional Planning 'Update' – CDBG Funding to be 'Opening Up' Again.

*No Updates relating to 'Broadband Funding'.

*Sandra Cabot was present to provide updates regarding Economic Development.

*Senator Jason Bean present for meeting.

*Jamie Burger present. He reviewed 'Water Pipeline' noting that there is great opposition to this; it would deplete aquifer. He also noted that 'Southeast Region' needs to have representation to claim more money.

- *Madison Baker – Reviewed potential for ‘Government Shut-Down’.
- *Congressman Smith – Farm Tours currently being conducted through October.
- *Matt Bain (w/Josh Hawley’s Office) – It was noted that ‘office’ had spoke with CEO of “Tyson”. The ‘Rights’ that correspond to ‘Federal Lands’ also reviewed as it surrounds ‘Federal Lands Program’.

*It was noted that Missouri Legislators will be present even in the event of a ‘Federal Government Shut Down’.

Commissioner Marberry provided report from New Bourbon Regional Port Authority Meeting that he attended last evening, which was held in Perryville, MO. Quorum was not present; however, following details were reported:

- *Dredging of Port Complete. (Minimal shipping being conducted due to conditions.)
- *It was reported that ‘Audit Firm’ located to meet necessary ‘needs’ of ‘Port’. Firm is reported to be from Marble Hill, MO.

Commissioner Ruzicka noted that American Legion Post 150 to host Purple Heart Ceremony on Monday, October 2nd. Mr. Virgil Boyer to coordinate the same.

Mr. Scott Schmieder appeared before the Commission to provide report for today’s Commission Meeting. Following were the items reported:

- *Ditch Road – Contractors to begin on ‘Wing Walls’ next week.
- *R&B Department to continue work on ‘Pathing asphalt/fixing ‘pot holes’.
- *Issues with ‘Culvert Pipes’ continues to be focus of R&B Department.
- *Mr. Schmieder noted that ‘Bridge Inspections’ are scheduled to begin in ‘2024. Concrete work ‘UNDERNEATH’ will have to be completed; Mr. Schmieder noted that this is on their ‘list’ of projects.
- *Mr. Schmieder presented ‘Tickets’ from most recent fuel purchase that was awarded to Heil Oil Company as previously reported. (Copies of ‘Fuel Tickets’ attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

A ‘Motion’ was made by Commissioner Marberry to ‘Enter’ into ‘Emergency Closed Session’ Meeting at 9:42 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’ Closed Session ‘Meeting’ at 12:18 P.M. – 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.

The Commission reviewed ‘Salary Commission Minutes’ from meeting that was conducted on 9/25/2023 @ 1:00 P.M. Upon close review of said ‘Minutes’; Commissioner Stuppy made a ‘Motion’ to approve said ‘Minutes’ as presented by County Clerk, Sue Wolk. Commissioner

Marberry seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Stuppy yea. Commissioner Marberry yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

Accounts Payable for Date 9/28/2023 in the amount of \$389,865.20 were reviewed and approved for payment by the Commission.

ADJOURN

A Motion was made by Commissioner Stuppy to adjourn @ 12:45 P.M. Commissioner Marberry seconded the Motion.

Ordered that the Commission adjourn until 10/2/2023.

SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED BY:

PRESIDING COMMISSIONER