

Ste. Genevieve County Commission Minutes

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2023

12TH Day of the October 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, NOVEMBER 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.

Mr. Scott Schmieder, Road & Bridge Foreman, appeared before the Commission to present report for today's meeting. Following were the items reported:

*R&B Department in need of a 'Fuel Purchase'. The 'County' requested 'Bids' for 'Fuel Purchase' with the 'low bid' being awarded to Heil Oil Company with the following pricing: "On-Road" Fuel - \$3.849/gallon; "Off-Road" Fuel - \$3.459/gallon; "Gasoline" – 2.859/Gallon.

*Truck #12 returned; Truck currently 'running'.

*'Leased Tractor' returned. (Mr. Schmieder noted that there will be a 'need' for 'Boom Mower' in next year.)

*'Roth Road' – Local resident that resides on said road noted that she knows 'Patching' needs to be done; Mr. Schmieder noted that he is 'coordinating' with 'Special Road District' as we need to 'share' equipment to get project accomplished.

*Mr. Schmieder advised that 'Pipes' need to be 'placed'. Several roads where this needs to be accomplished are: Buehler Road/Brushy Creek Road.

*Trees & Limbs need to be 'cut'.

*Mr. Schmieder reminded everyone that he is on 'vacation' next week.

Commissioner Stuppy provided report from Ste. Genevieve County Fair Board Meeting. Following were the items reported:

*The 'Fair Board' researching possibility of 'Portable Stage'.

*Research to be completed for 'Internet Usage' for Fair; Commissioner Stuppy reaching out to determine if this is 'feasible' along with what the 'cost' might be.

*The 'Fair Board' in need of additional 'Member'. Goal is to utilize services of member of police or emergency management, etc.

*The 'Ending Balance' was provided for Ste. Genevieve County Fair Board, which was \$29,425.54.

*The 'next' Fair Board Meeting is scheduled for January 8th, 2024.

*Planning for next year's 'Fair' has begun!

Commissioners Ruzicka & Stuppy attended 'Community Services Forum' Meeting that was held on Wednesday, 11/8/2023. Following were the items reviewed/discussed:

*Dr. Steve Pautler, CEO of SGCMH, provided presentation as it was the 30th Anniversary. Ms. Judy Schilly was present and provided a 'History' of organization since she has been with the Forum over this entire period of 30 years! (Copy of 'SGCMH Community Report' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

*One of the 'significant facts' mentioned today pertained to the recent 'Fall "Drug Take Back" Event'. Approximately 38 lbs. were 'dropped off' @ the Ste. Genevieve Firehouse while approximately 23 lbs. were 'dropped off' @ Bloomsdale Clinic. This is a great response!

*All parties present provided summary report for their organization.

*'Report' on Veterans Services offered. It was noted that services for 'spouses' are being offered for those whose spouses are currently deployed w/Perryville National Guard Unit.

*Jodi Ralston submitted her resignation as 'Treasurer' of Community Services Forum; group looking for volunteer to serve in this capacity.

New Bourbon Regional Port Authority – There is nothing new currently to report surrounding the 'Port'.

Mr. Shane Hays, Director of Project Management w/Commonwealth appeared before the Commission as it relates to 'Wabash Valley Power Salem Bulk' Project. Following were several of the significant 'Points' identified in said meeting:

*Several 'roads' to be impacted by construction to be as follows: Hart-Pinkston Road, entrance will be necessary off Route EE, Lake Seven Falls Area, with the 1st 'Route' stopping @ State Route C. (Vegetation & Clearing to 'stop' @ Tower Road.)

*Currently, Commonwealth is in the process of 'Building' the 1st (8) Miles of referenced project, which will consist (upon completion) of a 'Total' of (24) Miles.

*Easement acquisitions acquired for approximately 90% of project.

*Success accomplished on permitting for 'Phase I' of Project; 'Railroad Tracks' have created a level of difficulty. Permitting for Phase II and Phase III not submitted yet.

*The Commission to review 'Bonding' with the understanding that there could be potential damages to roads as a result of the construction to be completed.

*Mr. Hays mentioned that they are working w/"local companies" re: Tree Clearance. Use of 'Tracked Equipment' to be utilized in effort to avoid any 'excess' damage when traveling through property owner's fields. It was also noted that 'Commonwealth' working with Zahner & Associates for 'surveying' in addition to 'SCI Environmental'. (A list of 'local vendors' to be provided to the 'County'.)

*Use of 'straw wattles' to be used for additional protection to 'creeks'; Mr. Hays noted that they will try to 'protect' the 'Environment'.

*The 'County' to research 'Bonding' that will need to be implemented due to possibility of 'Damages' to 'County Roads' as a result of 'Construction Project'.

*It was noted that a 'Sign Route' to be in existence for construction traffic in an effort to contain traffic to that specific 'Route'.

*Environmentalist to be on 'Staff'. In addition, 'Soil Erosion' measures will be reported on a weekly basis OR after a 'rain event'. Inspections to be reported routinely.

*Preliminary estimation of locations affected by 2nd 'Phase' of project were reported.

*"Oversight people" will be present on 'job' EVERY DAY.

*Detailed review of 'Mapping' to reflect entire 'outline' of project completed with Scott Schmieder, R&B Foreman, as well as Commissioners.

As it relates to the 'Community Center Roof Project'; GWS is 'approved' to complete roof drains. (Meinershagen to be subcontractor for GWS.)

*Aaron Rosen still working on final compilation of information for 'Final Repairs' that have been recently discussed applying to 'Roof Project'.

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Marberry to 'Enter' into 'Closed Session Meeting' at 9:59 A.M. – pursuant to RSMo 610.021 – as it relates to 'Contracts'. 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 Stuppy to 'Exit' the 'Closed Session Meeting' at 10:37 A.M. – pursuant to RSMo 610.021 – as it relates to 'Contracts'. Commissioner Marberry seconded the 'Motion'. All in favor. Motion passed. Roll was Taken. Commissioner Ruzicka – Aye. Commissioner Stuppy – Aye. Commissioner Marberry – Aye.

Notification received from Site One Landscape Supply Holding, LLC DBA/Semco Stone regarding the following: "NOTICE TO ADJACENT OR NEARBY PROPERTY OWNERS OF A PROPOSED SURFACE MINE". Notice is in accordance with the "Land Reclamation Act @ 444.772.10 RSMo, that the following surface mine application has been submitted to the Department of Natural Resources. (Copy of Certified Mail #7020 1810 0000 9598 4130 attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Stuppy to 'Enter' into 'Closed Session Meeting' at 11:48 A.M. – pursuant to RSMo 610.021 as it relates to 'Contracts' as well as RSMo 610.021(1) as it relates to 'Litigation'. Commissioner Marberry seconded the 'Motion'. All in favor. Motion passed. Roll was Taken. Commissioner Ruzicka – Aye. Commissioner Stuppy – Aye. Commissioner Marberry – Aye.

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Stuppy to 'Exit' the 'Closed Session Meeting' at 12:00 P.M. pursuant to RSMo 610.021 – as it relates to 'Contracts' as well as RSMo 610.021(1) as it relates to 'Litigation'. Commissioner Marberry seconded the 'Motion'. All in favor. Motion passed. Roll was Taken. Commissioner Ruzicka – Aye. Commissioner Stuppy – Aye. Commissioner Marberry – Aye.

Accounts Payable for Date 11/9/2023 in the amount of \$492,932.54 were reviewed and approved for payment by the Commission.

Commission Meeting convened @ 12:07 P.M.

Commission reconvened for 'Salary Commission Meeting' @ 1:00 P.M. (Held in 'Small Court Room'). All 'Minutes' from Salary Commission Meeting prepared by County Clerk, Sue Wolk.

ADJOURN

A Motion was made by Commissioner Stuppy to adjourn @ 1:15 P.M. Commissioner Marberry seconded the Motion.

Ordered that the Commission adjourn until 11/13/2023.

SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED BY:

PRESIDING COMMISSIONER