

Ste. Genevieve County Commission Minutes

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2023**

21<sup>ST</sup> 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 THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 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.

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Marberry to 'Enter' into 'Emergency Closed Session Meeting' at 8:17 A.M. – pursuant to RSMo 610.021(1) – as it relates to 'Potential Litigation'. 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 'Emergency Closed Session Meeting' at 8:31 A.M. – pursuant to 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.

Vick Brown along with Gail Palmer appeared before the Commission on behalf of the Ste. Genevieve Recycling Center. Several items were reviewed/discussed. Following were the items discussed:

\*Repairs made to Recycling Center Vehicles. It was noted that regarding 'recent repairs'; the 'County' made necessary repairs; the 'Recycling Center' to absorb cost of 'parts'.

\*Review of upcoming 'Solid Waste Grant' was discussed. It was noted that 'Grant' due by 29<sup>th</sup> of December. Potential 'needs' to be reviewed/discussed. Additional information will be provided as it becomes available.

\*Commission noted that the 'County' will utilize staff to make necessary improvements to the 'Recycling Building' in an effort to "add strength".

\*Review of recent 'Emergency Repairs' to recycling building were noted. As previously noted, there was damage to 'wall'. Emergency 'masonry' repairs were necessary; the 'County' was able to have local contractor make immediate repairs.

Upon close review of the necessary repairs, as noted above, Commissioner Marberry made a 'Motion' to approve invoice from 'Arnold Masonry' for EMERGENCY REPAIRS TO RECYCLING CENTER BUILDING for the amount of \$12,640.22 as was necessary to 'prevent' additional structural damage to said building. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Marberry yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Marberry to 'Enter' into 'Emergency Closed Session Meeting' at 8:44 A.M. – pursuant to RSMo 610.021(1) – as it relates to 'Potential Litigation'. 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' the 'Emergency Closed Session Meeting' at 9:12 A.M. pursuant to RSMo 610.021(1) – as it relates to 'Litigation'. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the 'Motion'. All in favor. Motion passed. Roll was Taken. Commissioner Ruzicka – Aye. Commissioner Marberry – Aye. Commissioner Stuppy – Aye.

Jason Schott along with Chuck Farr appeared before the Commission as it pertains to '911'. They presented 'Request for Proposals' regarding 'Public Safety Tower Project' that RFCC, LLC is preparing for 'Ste. Genevieve County Missouri Joint Communications Center' as it pertains to placing an 'RFP' for 'Communication Towers for Radio Project'. The Commission noted that they will have to review 'RFP'. It was noted that the 'County' is 'fiscally responsible' for 'Financial Agreements' regarding the '911 Towers' until '911 Board for Ste. Genevieve County' has financial ability to absorb said costs. Ste. Genevieve County will confer with legal counsel as it surrounds 'RFP' for 'Tower Project'. Additional information will be provided as it becomes available.

Sandra Cabot, Regional Engagement Department of Economic Development, appeared before the Commission as it relates and to provide update for the 'Community Economic Development Fund' that is on deposit w/Community Foundation of the Ozarks 'Endowment Fund'. Account is managed by 7-Person Board; Community Foundation 'Board' makes final decision after 'Board' processes their recommendations. Mrs. Cabot to obtain 'current balance' information.

Mr. Derek Welker w/McCoy Equipment appeared before the Commission. The 'County' currently owns a '2019 John Deere 672G Motor Grader' with 'Buyback' Agreement that is due to expire in '2024'. Mr. Welker is also going to prepare information surrounding 'potential' lease agreement as well as documentation should the 'County' elect NOT to return the Motor Grader on 'Buyback' but, rather, keep the equipment with an 'extended warranty'. Upon receipt of all requested documentation, the 'County' will make final decision as it pertains to said item of equipment. Mr. Welker noted that McCoy Equipment would need 'final decision' from the 'County' by end of February or first part of March.

Mr. Scott Schmieder, R&B Foreman, appeared before the Commission to provide report for today's meeting. Following were the items reported:

- \*Mr. Schmieder to reach out to local resident that resides on Trogdan Road surrounding 'water issues' that he has reported to R&B Department.

- \*Mr. Schmieder noted that R&B Department monitoring Avon Road for 'issues'.

- \*R&B Department in process of working on Roth Cemetery Road as well as Buehler Road.

- \*St. Mary Cemetery Road – Mr. Schmieder noted that 'Pipes' need to be replaced.

\*Mr. Schmieder noted to the Commission that they are aware that 'road work' will HAVE TO BE COMPLETED on Cindy Lane/Cedar Trail. Mr. Schmieder simply wanted to make the Commission aware of said issues prior to 'next spring' when work will have to take place.

Group of concerned residents appeared before the Commission to express their concerns surrounding 'Pool Closing' as of January 1<sup>st</sup> @ Bloomsdale Community Center Facility. The following 'Points of Interest' were noted by said group:

\*Individuals noted that 'Pool' in Bloomsdale Facility offers 'therapeutic benefits' that are extremely beneficial to include 'Chair' that allows persons with disabilities to access/utilize said pool.

\*The Commission noted that decision was based on 'Best Use of Taxpayer Dollars'. Sales Tax Revenue is 'Down'. The 'Operational Expenses' are much greater than 'Revenues' generated for said 'Pool'. Decision was based on 'Cost Effectiveness'.

\*Group expressed that 'medical community' has noted the health benefits. Group is researching possible 'financial assistance' and advised the 'Commission' that they would be back in touch surrounding potential 'additional' resources.

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Marberry to 'Enter' into 'Emergency Closed Session Meeting' at 11:46 A.M. – pursuant to RSMo 610.021(1) – as it relates to 'Potential Litigation'. 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' the 'Emergency Closed Session Meeting' @ 11:59 A.M. – pursuant to RSMo 610.021(1) – as it relates to 'Potential Litigation'. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the 'Motion'. All in favor. Motion passed. Roll was Taken. Commissioner Ruzicka – Aye. Commissioner Marberry – Aye. Commissioner Stuppy – Aye.

'Zoom Call' held with RFCC, members from St. Francois County '911', as well as Mr. Jason Schott w//Ste. Genevieve County 911', as well as Commission. The following details were reviewed:

\*RFP 'Draft' Documentation reviewed. RFP Documentation presented reflect 'official' documents to vendors for 'new towers'.

\*Soil Testing still needed for St. Francois County 'locations'.

\*RFCC working on 'Tower Sites' for both 'Counties'.

\*2 of 3 'Sites' in Ste. Genevieve will be 'new' properties.

\*Mr. Freeman expressed that it is the intent of RFCC to 'keep project moving'.

\*Mr. Freeman noted that 'Documentation' he is presenting is 'Boilerplate' that has been developed over last 10 years.

\*Commissioner Ruzicka requested that the 'County' and 'RFCC' would like to keep 'Open Line of Communication'.

Meeting convened @ 12:35 P.M. to reconvene after Commission returns from lunch.

Meeting reconvened @ 1:40 P.M.

Community Center Roof Update – Bade Roofing supplied the ‘County’ with ‘Scope of Work’ that provides exploratory purposes in regards to the condensation issue at the exterior walls to be observed and commented on in effort to address the condensation issues that have been previously noted in ‘Minutes’. Scope of Work was provided with an ‘Alternate’ to add V-Force to CMU and replace wood and add insulation.

Upon review of detail provided; Commissioner Marberry made a ‘Motion’ to approve ‘Allocation of Funds’ for Hypothesis #1 as well as Hypothesis #2 from Bade Roofing through ARPA Funding with a ‘Total Cost Allocation’ of \$7,737.00 taking into consideration that the ‘Remaining Balance of \$3,000’ from ‘Community Center Roof Drain Replacement Project’ will be transferred to the above referenced project. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the ‘Motion’. Commissioner Marberry yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed. (Copy of ‘Scope of Work’ from Bade Roofing attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

A ‘Motion’ was made by Commissioner Marberry to ‘Enter’ into ‘Emergency Closed Session Meeting’ at 4:16 P.M. – pursuant to RSMo 610.021(1) – as it relates to ‘Potential Litigation’. 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 ‘Emergency Closed Session Meeting’ at 4:44 P.M. pursuant to RSMo 610.021(1) – as it relates to ‘Potential 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 12/11/2023 in the amount of \$292,749.78 were reviewed and approved for payment by the Commission.

### **ADJOURN**

A Motion was made by Commissioner Stuppy to adjourn @ 4:45 P.M. Commissioner Marberry seconded the Motion.

Ordered that the Commission adjourn until 12/14/2023.

SUBMITTED BY:

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APPROVED BY:

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PRESIDING COMMISSIONER