

Ste. Genevieve County Commission Minutes

THURSDAY, JUNE 13, 2024

21ST Day of the April Term. The Commission Met Pursuant to Adjournment. Present were Presiding Commissioner Randy Ruzicka, Associate Commissioners Mark Marberry and Karen Stuppy along with Deputy County Clerk, Michele Gatzemeyer.

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDING COMMISSIONER RUZICKA AT 8:15 A.M.

THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING THAT WAS HELD ON THURSDAY, JUNE 6, 2024 WERE READ. COMMISSIONER STUPPY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE SAID MINUTES AS PRESENTED. COMMISSIONER MARBERRY SECONDED THE MOTION. COMMISSIONER STUPPY YEA. COMMISSIONER MARBERRY YEA. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED.

THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING THAT WAS HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 10, 2024 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 was absent from today's meeting. John Donze appeared before the Commission to provide report for today's meeting. Following were items reported:

*Truck #12 – Bushings need to be replaced in 'Rear Suspension'. Truck @ TAG Truck Centers for repairs.

*Backhoe returned to R&B Department, which has previously been reported. Work completed under 'warranty'.

*Fuel Bids obtained for Ste. Genevieve County R&B Department. Award was given to MFA Oil for 'low bid' with the following rates: "On-Road" Fuel - \$2.826/gallon; "Off-Road" Fuel - \$2.581/gallon. (Copy of Fuel Bid Request attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

*Routine Maintenance being completed by R&B Department.

Review of requested 'LATCF Project #00004' for 'Courthouse Court Yard Project' regarding replacement of Gazebo and Improvements in replacement of 'Dead Tree' that had to be removed from Courthouse Courtyard. Project was not budgeted and is requested, which will benefit 'General Public' but to be purposeful for Employee Benefits to provide 'Health & Wellness' to Employees for 'reprieve' from 'Stressful Work Environment' during 'Breaks'/'Lunches'.

After careful review by Commission, Commissioner Stuppy made a 'Motion' to proceed with project of 'Courthouse Courtyard Project' with funding to be provided through LATCF Funds with "Total Estimated Cost" for entire project of \$6,454.31. Commissioner Marberry seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Stuppy yea. Commissioner Marberry yea. All in favor. Motion passed. (Copies of 'Project' located in County Clerk's Office.)

Commissioner Ruzicka provided report for 'Masonry' Project being completed at Community Center. As previously reported, Bid was awarded to 'Arnold Masonry LLC' who had 'low bid'. Project proceeding well; additional details to be reported as they become available.

Report provided from recent meeting attended at Ste. Genevieve Library. Following details were provided:

- *Feasibility Study is currently being conducted for 'future' of Ste. Genevieve Library. The 'goal' of 'Study' is to take the Library into the 'future'.

- *Dynamics of 'Libraries' are ever changing.

- *Ste. Genevieve Library in need of space for continued 'future growth'.

- *Commissioner Stuppy noted that she attended 'Community Roundtable Meeting' that was held at the Library; tours were provided; solutions are trying to be made for the many 'future' needs of 'library growth'.

Commissioner Stuppy provided report from 'Community Services Forum Meeting' that she and Commissioner Ruzicka had attended on Wednesday, 6/12/2024. Following was information reported:

- *Guest Speaker was Stacey Gillette, Therapist with Rocky Creek Youth Ranch Within their team, we have a diverse range of fully accredited and licensed professionals, including therapists, nurses, teachers, and more. Working side by side, they bring their expertise and compassion together to ensure that each client receives the personalized support they require on their journey towards positive growth and integration within our community. Facility offers equine related therapy for benefits offered to youth between the ages of 6-18 as it relates to relationship between 'children and horses'.

- *Groups/Organizations provided their 'Reports' @ meeting.

Commissioner Stuppy attended Bloomsdale City Council Meeting as this is in her 'District'. Following was report from the same:

- *City of Bloomsdale conducted 'sludge removal' from their 'Wastewater Treatment Facility'.

- *City of Bloomsdale working on fire hydrants; working on effort to 'replace lines'.

- *'Well house' had lightning strike.

- *Rick Drury was present; he is working on grant for (5) new mobile radios, which is facilitated through Homeland Security.

Commission reviewed 'issue' of 'downturn' of Sales Tax Dollars; this will be issue that will continue to be monitored/reviewed.

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Marberry to 'Enter' into 'Closed Session' Meeting at 10:59 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.

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Stuppy to 'Exit' the 'Closed Session' Meeting at 11:08 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.

Accounts Payable for Date 6/13/2024 in the amount of \$334,241.08 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 6/17/2024.

SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED BY:

PRESIDING COMMISSIONER