

Ste. Genevieve County Commission Minutes

MONDAY, JUNE 24, 2024

24TH Day of the April 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 8:15 A.M.

THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING THAT WAS HELD ON THURSDAY, JUNE 20, 2024 WERE READ. COMMISSIONER MARBERRY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE SAID MINUTES WITH MINOR CORRECTION. COMMISSIONER STUPPY SECONDED THE MOTION. COMMISSIONER MARBERRY YEA. COMMISSIONER STUPPY YEA. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED.

It was noted that methods for preparing asphalt bids need to be revisited. When reviewing 'Asphalt Price Index'; it was discovered that credits are not applied when 'index goes down'. The 'County' will need to monitor as all money expended by the 'County' is 'Taxpayer Dollars'. Taxpayer Dollars must be used in the most efficient manner possible.

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

- *R&B Department – Mowing being completed.
- *R&B Department – Working on 'Chipping'.
- *Commissioner Stuppy asked if 'Rock' could be hauled to Fairgrounds prior to 'Fair'.
- *Question was posed surrounding 'Road Count' on area roads. Mr. Schmieder will review issue.

Commissioner reviewed 'recurring' Lease Agreement between Chip Marzucio and 'County of Ste. Genevieve' for 'storage space' @ 'Marzucio Building' located on 233 Merchant Street. After careful review and consideration, Commissioner Marberry made a 'Motion' to approve 'Extending Existing Contract' for said 'Lease Agreement' as has been done in the past for upcoming year of June 1, 2024 thru May 31, 2025 @ a 'continued rate' of \$600 annually. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Marberry yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed. (Copy of 'Lease Agreement' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

The Commission reviewed project for 'Painting & Minor Repairs' of 'Porches' at original Community Center Building. After careful review of information presented; "Invitation to Bid" was forwarded to Ste. Genevieve Herald for advertisement. Additional detail to be provided as it becomes available.

Courthouse Elevator reviewed. TK Elevator representative did not appear at the Courthouse as was scheduled to present 'Proposal' for 'Elevator Updates'. The 'County' will not be reaching

out to vendor in the future as they have disregarded several appointments. The 'County' is waiting on representative from Midwest Elevator to present 'Proposal' to the County. Additional detail will be provided as it becomes available.

Letter requesting appointment to the Ste. Genevieve County Fair Board received by Commission. After careful review and consideration, Commissioner Marberry made a 'Motion' to appoint Ashley DeClue as Ste. Genevieve County Fair Board Member. Commissioner Stuppy seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Marberry yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed. (Copy of 'Request of Appointment' Letter as well as 'Official Appointment Letter' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

The Commission met w/Aaron Smith, Ste. Genevieve City Tourism Director. Review of County 'Logo' reviewed/discussed. Ste. Genevieve City is working on 'Grant' to assist w/funding for 'Logo'. Mr. Smith noted that he feels it may be a great idea if the 'County' works in accordance with the 'City' to design 'Logo'; Mr. Smith noted that the 'City' working with the 'McDaniel Group' surrounding the same.

Commission met w/Brad Arnold, Community Center Director, for updated report surrounding Community Center. Following were the 'Points of Interest' mentioned/discussed:

- *Waterpark has been very busy.
- *'Tubes' need to be ordered for waterpark. Mr. Arnold reviewing best solution for the best price.
- *Riverdogs Tournament held this past weekend; Challenger Baseball Field was utilized.
- *Mr. Arnold noted that new 'Printer' is going to have to be purchased to print ID Cards.
- *Mr. Arnold noted that the Community Center was advised that updates will have to be made on 'Postage Machine' due to 'new regulations'; Mr. Arnold noted that they were advised the 'Lease Agreement' to stay the same.
- *Update requested on 'Masonry Project' at Community Center. Mr. Jason Arnold's crew is not working on 'masonry project' this week but will continue work on this project next week.

Sheriff Stolzer appeared before the Commission along with Sheila Powell to provide review/update/clarification regarding 'Agreement for the Provision of Health Care' to Incarcerated Patients. Contract had been signed and agreed upon with "ACH Healthcare" as of February 1st, 2024. After agreement was signed and agreed upon; Sheriff Stolzer received notification that "ACH Healthcare" had changed the parameters of the agreement. At said point, the Sheriff was forced to search for 'Provider' that could meet the needs of the Department. Following were 'Providers' that were researched for services provided:

***It should be noted that 'Healthcare Contracts' are SPECIALIZED. Agreements can only be facilitated through providers that handle/facilitate said 'Specialized Care'. Taking into consideration that 'ACH Healthcare' changed their Parameters 'mid-stream'; it is NOT FEASIBLE for the 'County' to remain with said 'Contract'.

- *Southern Health Partners – Would not provide 'Quote' for Healthcare Participation.
- *VitalCore Health Strategies – Would not provide 'Quote' for Healthcare Participation.

*Proposal received from EMS Corrections Medical of St. Louis, LLC. For services provided, the 'Total Annual Cost' would be approximately \$230,000 with a 'Pool' Cost of \$75,000. In addition, there is a 'Per Diem Rate' for ADP (Average Daily Population) with 'County' Per Diem Rate – 98 cents vs. 'Non-County' Per Diem Rate – 48 cents.

*Proposal received from TurnKey Health with 'Total Annual Cost' approximately \$342,580.88 and a 'Per Diem' Rate for ADP's > 285 of 55 cents.

*The 'Final Proposal' was received from 'Cardinal Correctional Care'. The 'Total Annual Cost' presented was \$230,000 with a 'Flat' Per Diem Rate of 48cents. Thus, after review of 'Contract Information'; Cardinal Correctional Care would be the lowest cost. Additional benefits that would apply to use of this 'Contract' would be the following:

*The level of experience that Cardinal Correctional Care has in said 'Field'.

*Pharmacy Services would remain the same as in existence; thus, this would be a benefit to Ste. Genevieve Facility.

*Billing for 'Pharmacy' Coverage would be facilitated through 'Cardinal Correctional Care'.

*Nursing Services along w/Mental Health Service Provider to remain the 'same' as what is currently in place.

*Cardinal Correctional Care would provide mobile unit for "X-Rays".

*Additional Bonus: If 'Pool' is not utilized; Ste. Genevieve Facility would receive their 'money' back from the same.

After careful review of information provided regarding 'Healthcare Contracts'; Commissioner Marberry made a 'Motion' to approve proceeding with the services to be provided by Cardinal Correctional Care with the understanding that 'Expense' would be 'lower' with Cardinal Correctional Care in addition to providing the most beneficial outcome for the Ste. Genevieve County Sheriff's Department while understanding that change must take effect due to the 'Mid-Term' changes that were facilitated by "ACH Healthcare". Commissioner Stuppy seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Marberry yea. Commissioner Stuppy yea. All in favor. Motion passed. (Copies of 'Applicable' Quotes/Contract attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Meeting convened @ 12:00 P.M. and scheduled to reconvene @ 1:30 P.M. at the Ste. Genevieve Community Center – 'All Sports Complex'.

Meeting reconvened @ 1:30 P.M. at 'All Sports Complex' as scheduled. Commission met with 'Board' as well as Community Center Director. Following were the primary 'Points of Interest' that were noted:

*Commissioner Ruzicka noted that 'Purpose' of Meeting was to improve 'situation' surrounding 'finances' for Community Center and to work jointly with the Community Center Board/Director to accomplish this. Commissioner Ruzicka noted that there must be a plan to get things on a 'Better Footing'.

*Commissioner Ruzicka advised that the 'County' is going move forward w/'Use Tax' and is currently working on figuring 'accurate' tax calculations.

*Commissioner Ruzicka noted that everyone in the 'County' is sharing in 'issue'. He said that 'ultimately' the 'County' is hurting.

*Sara Hoog, Treasurer, provided 'Print Out' reflecting most up to date and as accurate as possible financial status.

*Commissioner Ruzicka questioned the 'Board'/'Director' what additional 'Special Events' they had thought of? What type of 'Fall Events' are being thought of?

*Mr. Arnold noted that plan is to have 'Outdoor Soccer League' @ Community Center this Fall.

*Commissioner Marberry noted that there needs to be a 'focus' on events that bring money in from other areas. He also mentioned potential of 'Christmas Event'.

*Community Center Board Members suggested potential events such as 'Bar-B-Que Cook Off', 'Golf Tournament'; 'Inflatables with Event for youth' suggested, etc.

At conclusion of meeting, Commissioner Ruzicka noted that this issue would be scheduled to be revisited in two (2) weeks. He also noted that 'to date', amount of \$1,187,675.45 has been spent on ARPA Expenditures for necessary projects at the Community Center with the possibility of additional projects to be completed. Commissioner Ruzicka emphasized that he was not sure of 'what' would have occurred if 'County' had not had ARPA Funding for necessary projects. (Copy of handouts attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Accounts Payable for Date 6/24/2024 in the amount of \$118,704.67 were reviewed and approved for payment by the Commission.

ADJOURN

A Motion was made by Commissioner Stuppy to adjourn @ 2:30 P.M. Commissioner Marberry seconded the Motion.

Ordered that the Commission adjourn until 6/27/2024.

SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED BY:

PRESIDING COMMISSIONER