Ste. Genevieve County Commission Minutes

THURSDAY, MAY 22, 2025

15TH Day of the April Term. The Commission Met Pursuant to Adjournment. Present were Presiding Commissioner Randy Ruzicka, Associate Commissioners Mark Marberry and Cory Ford 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 MONDAY, MAY 19, 2025 WERE READ. COMMISSIONER RUZICKA MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE SAID MINUTES AS PRESENTED. COMMISSIONER MARBERRY SECONDED THE MOTION. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED.

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

*Mr. Schmieder noted that 'Prep Work' on Brushy Creek Road should be complete after this week.

*Mr. Schmieder forwarding 'detailed information' to Sheriff's Department as it relates to 'trash pickup' that had to be taken care of by the R&B Department. This was situation previously reported.

*Fields Road – Commissioner Marberry has reached out to inquire about the 'cost' to perform 'core drilling' at this 'site'. Discussion ensued surrounding the fact that this could shed 'light' on benefits of performing this task so 'County' would know how best to proceed on said road. Additional detail to be provided as it becomes available.

*The Commission noted that 'Road & Bridge' Department behind on 'Maintenance'.

Mr. Felix Meyer, Emergency Management Director, appeared before the Commission and reported that 'recently formed fire district' held their 1st meeting yesterday.

Review of 'damage' that occurred in Ste. Genevieve County at the beginning of April was reviewed. After contacting SEMA, it was noted that there are currently (3) disasters for State of Missouri pending; with disaster that occurred last week in St. Louis, it is assumed that another, additional disaster should be/will be 'Pending' as well. Additional detail to be provided as it becomes available.

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Marberry to 'Enter' into 'Emergency Closed Session' Meeting at 9:00 A.M. – pursuant to RSMo 610.021(3) – pursuant to RSMo 610.021(3) – as it relates to 'Personnel'. Commissioner Ford seconded the 'Motion'. All in favor. Motion passed. Roll was Taken. Commissioner Ruzicka – Aye. Commissioner Marberry – Aye. Commissioner Ford – Aye.

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Marberry to 'Exit' the 'Emergency Closed Session' Meeting at 9:48 A.M. – as it relates to 'Personnel'. Commissioner Ford seconded the 'Motion'.

All in favor. Motion passed. Roll was Taken. Commissioner Ruzicka – Aye. Commissioner Marberry – Aye. Commissioner Ford – Aye.

Resources to Recovery presented phone bill for monthly phone bill that was previously approved for use through 'Opioid Settlement Funds'. After careful consideration, Commissioner Marberry made a 'Motion' to approve reimbursement of 'monthly phone charge' for amount of \$113.62 to be paid through 'Opioid Settlement Funds' as previously approved. Commissioner Ford seconded the 'Motion'. All in favor. Motion passed. Roll was Taken. Commissioner Ruzicka – Aye. Commissioner Marberry – Aye. Commissioner Ford – Aye. (Copy of 'Invoice/Payment' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

The Ste. Genevieve County Commission is in receipt of 'Resignation' from Ste. Genevieve County Community Center Board Member. Upon review of the same, Commissioner Ford made a 'Motion' to accept resignation of Community Center Board President, Dave Weber. Commissioner Marberry seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Ford yea. Commissioner Marberry yea. All in favor. Motion passed. (Copy of 'Resignation Notification' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Review of 'FLAP' Grant completed. 'FLAP' Grant to provide 'replacement' of Fourth Street Bridge near Ste. Genevieve City Hall. The 'County' was notified that there will be additional requirements that will have to be performed as a result of said 'Bridge' being located in 'historical district'. Additional requirement required 'Supplemental Agreement No. 2 to Engineering Services Contract' for said project at a 'Cost' of \$9,580.26. Ste. Genevieve County will be required to have "PHASE 1 CULTURAL RESOURCES SURVEY AND ASSESSMENT OF THE PROPOSED STE. GENEVIEVE 4TH STREET BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT." Cultural Resources Survey to be conducted by 'American Resources Group'- Carbondale, IL. (As permitted by 'Supplemental Agreement' referenced above.) Upon 'Study' being completed, additional information will provided. (Copies of all applicable paperwork relating to 'Survey' can be located in 'FLAP Grant' Folder located in County Clerk's Office.)

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Marberry to 'Enter' into 'Closed Session' Meeting at 10:30 A.M. – pursuant to RSMo 610.021(3) – as it relates to 'Personnel'. Commissioner Ford seconded the 'Motion'. All in favor. Motion passed. Roll was Taken. Commissioner Ruzicka – Aye. Commissioner Marberry – Aye. Commissioner Ford – Aye.

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Ford to 'Exit' the 'Closed Session' Meeting at 11:33 A.M. – as it relates to 'Personnel'. Commissioner Marberry seconded the 'Motion'. All in favor. Motion passed. Roll was Taken. Commissioner Ruzicka – Aye. Commissioner Ford – Aye. Commissioner Marberry – Aye.

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Ford to 'Enter' into 'Closed Session' Meeting at 11:33 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 Ford – Aye. Commissioner Marberry – Aye.

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Ford to 'Exit' the 'Closed Session' Meeting at 11:49 A.M. – as it relates to 'Litigation'. Commissioner Marberry seconded the 'Motion'. All in favor. Motion passed. Roll was Taken. Commissioner Ruzicka – Aye. Commissioner Ford – Aye. Commissioner Marberry – Aye.

The 'Commission' met with 'Auditors' along with County Clerk, Sue Wolk, for 'Exit Conference' surrounding findings thus far. 'Official' Zoom 'Exit' Conference to be conducted on 5/29/2025 @ 10:00 A.M. The Auditors conducting meeting noted that their 'Draft' of completed audit is due by August 31st.

Accounts Payable for Date 5/22/2025 in the amount of \$45,137.33 were reviewed and approved for payment by the Commission.

ADJOURN

A Motion was made by Commissioner Ford to adjourn @ 12:50 P.M. Commissioner Marberry seconded the Motion.

Ordered that the Commission adjourn until 5/27/2025.	
APPROVED BY:	-
PRESIDING COMMISSIONER	-