

Ste. Genevieve County Commission Minutes

**MONDAY, MAY 19, 2025**

14<sup>TH</sup> Day of the April Term. The Commission Met Pursuant to Adjournment. Present were Presiding Commissioner Randy Ruzicka, Associate Commissioner Mark Marberry along with Deputy County Clerk, Michele Gatzemeyer. Associate Commissioner Cory Ford was absent from today's meeting.

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, MAY 15, 2025 WERE READ. COMMISSIONER MARBERRY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE SAID MINUTES AS PRESENTED. COMMISSIONER RUZICKA SECONDED THE MOTION. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED.

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Marberry to 'Enter' into 'Emergency Closed Session' Meeting at 8:00 A.M. – pursuant to RSMo 610.021(3) – as it relates to 'Personnel'. Commissioner Ruzicka seconded the 'Motion'. All in favor. Motion passed. Roll was Taken. Commissioner Ruzicka – Aye. Commissioner Marberry – Aye.

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Marberry to 'Exit' the 'Emergency Closed Session' Meeting at 8:22 A.M. – as it relates to 'Personnel'. Commissioner Ruzicka seconded the 'Motion'. All in favor. Motion passed. Roll was Taken. Commissioner Ruzicka – Aye. Commissioner Marberry – Aye.

Lisa Marschel, Collector, appeared before the Commission to provide 'Contract' from 'Friend in the Business, LLC' for providing 'Delinquent Notice Posting Services for Annual Tax Sale'. Charge will be incorporated on 'Tax Bill' and will include 'GIS'.

- \*Services provided by 'Company' in addition to posting notices 'on site' include taking pictures and forwarding to Lisa.

- \*Mrs. Marschel advised that charge is \$37 per parcel x (77) parcels = \$2,849.00.

- \*Only ½ payment required initially.

- \*Mrs. Marschel has reviewed his service as many other 'Counties' throughout the 'State' use the same. There is a great deal of satisfaction with service.

(\*Copy of 'Contract' for 'Friend in the Business, LLC' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

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

- \*Review of when 'Holst Road' to be asphalted discussed; Project not complete at this time; Remaining details surrounding project in process of being coordinated.

- \*Mr. Schmieder advised that work continuing on 'Brushy Creek Road' Project.

\*Mr. Schmieder reported that the R&B Department had to clean up trash on 'Westover Road' that was becoming nuisance on said road. Mr. Schmieder reported to the Sheriff's Department. This is situation that has to be addressed; this results in 'unnecessary expense' to our R&B Department and the 'County'. As has been reported on numerous occasions, the 'County' has experienced a substantial downturn in revenue; thus, situations as noted above result in a cost to the 'County' for which the 'County' does not have extra funds to handle.

The Commission received 'Letter requesting Reappointment' to the Ste. Genevieve Library Board of Directors from existing Board Member. After careful review and consideration, Commissioner Ruzicka made a 'Motion' to approve the 'reappointment' of Robin Reynolds to the 'Library Board' for another four-year term beginning on 7/1/2025 and concluding on 6/30/2029. Commissioner Marberry seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. Commissioner Marberry yea. All in favor. Motion passed. (Copy of applicable 'letters' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Commission received call from representative of Citizens Electric regarding several 'trees' that need to be cut @ Ste. Genevieve Fairgrounds before they result in damage to power lines. On-site inspection to be completed by Citizens Electric.

Request made to Commission for 'Support Letter' to the 'Members of the Missouri Congressional Delegation' for EMAA (East Missouri Action Agency). Ste. Genevieve County is fortunate to have (2) representatives from our 'Community' to serve on said 'Board' in effort to meet need of said services. The (2) representatives for Ste. Genevieve County are Julie Bova, Circuit Clerk, as well as Joan Huck, Assistant to Public Administrator. (Cop of 'Support Letter' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Ruzicka to 'Enter' into 'Closed Session' Meeting at 10:39 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 Marberry – Aye.

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Ruzicka to 'Exit' the 'Closed Session' Meeting at 11:00 A.M. – as it relates to 'Litigation'. Commissioner Marberry seconded the 'Motion'. All in favor. Motion passed. Roll was Taken. Commissioner Ruzicka – Aye. Commissioner Marberry – Aye.

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Ruzicka to 'Enter' into 'Closed Session' Meeting at 11:04 A.M. – pursuant to RSMo 610.021(3) – as it relates to 'Personnel'. Commissioner Marberry seconded the 'Motion'. All in favor. Motion passed. Roll was Taken. Commissioner Ruzicka – Aye. Commissioner Marberry – Aye.

Mr. Brad Arnold, Community Center Director, appeared before the Commission to provide report for today's meeting. He noted that the 'primary' issue surrounds the fact that 'Roof Flashing' has been completed. Mr. Arnold noted that Community Center is waiting on 'final invoice' from SMCI.

Accounts Payable for Date 5/19/2025 in the amount of \$85,929.42 were reviewed and approved for payment by the Commission.

**ADJOURN**

A Motion was made by Commissioner Ford to adjourn @ 12:00 P.M. Commissioner Marberry seconded the Motion.

Ordered that the Commission adjourn until 5/22/2025.

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PRESIDING COMMISSIONER