

Ste. Genevieve County Commission Minutes

MONDAY, JUNE 16, 2025

20TH 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 THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 2025 WERE READ. COMMISSIONER FORD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE SAID MINUTES AS PRESENTED. COMMISSIONER MARBERRY SECONDED THE MOTION. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED.

Ste. Genevieve County is in receipt of invoice from vendor, Bales Concrete, LLC, for 'Total Cost' of \$9,500.00 for 'Bodine Road' Project. Bid obtained on said 'project'; however, 'Addendum' was 'issued' in effort to encase pipe in concrete. After much consideration of detail presented, Commissioner Ford made a 'Motion' to approve reimbursement to Bales Concrete for 'Bodine Road Project' as presented for 'Total Cost' of \$9,500.00. Commissioner Marberry seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Ford yea. Commissioner Marberry yea. All in favor. Motion passed. (Copy of said 'Invoice' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Invoice detail presented for 'Drain Basin Project' that was necessary @ Road & Bridge Department and has needed to be completed for several years now. Work was awarded based on availability and was less than amount necessary to 'Perform Bidding Process' as project < \$6,000 (County Threshold). After careful consideration, Commissioner Ford made a 'Motion' to approve reimbursement for amount of \$5,924.00 as presented to Bales Concrete LLC. Commissioner Marberry seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Ford yea. Commissioner Marberry yea. All in favor. Motion passed. (Copy of 'Invoice Detail' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

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 'Patching' needs to be done.

- *It was reported that there are trees along Misplay Road that need to be 'addressed'; Mr. Schmieder noted that R&B Department will get to them as soon as they have an opportunity.

- *East Castor River Road – Brush needs to be addressed; R&B Department aware of situation and will address ASAP.

- *Mr. Schmieder performing additional research to address 'dead tree' @ Fairgrounds. Additional detail to be provided as soon as it becomes available.

- *AT&T Cable 'issue' reviewed that was damaged on Brushy Creek Road; the 'County' is in process of working with AT&T on the same. Notification sent to AT&T due to the fact that 'Locates' were completed prior to work being done. Notification submitted to AT&T stating that

Ste. Genevieve County has no intent of paying for damage to cable as 'Cable' was placed in middle of the 'pipe', which was in the road. As has been conveyed to AT&T on numerous occasions, CABLE CANNOT RUN IN MIDDLE OF ROAD DUE TO NECESSITY OF ROAD AND BRIDGE CREW TO PERFORM 'WORK' TO COUNTY ROADS; NO EXCEPTION!

The 'City of Ste. Genevieve' is in process of paving streets in and around 'City of Ste. Genevieve'. Street in front of the Courthouse is responsibility of Ste. Genevieve County. (DuBourg Place) Contractor that was awarded 'Bid' for project contacted the 'County' and noted that they would pave said street at a reduced rate if the 'County' wants said 'street' paved due to the horrific condition that it is in as they can do at this time without having to mobilize 'crew' at a later date. After careful consideration, Commissioner Marberry made a 'Motion' to pave 'DuBourg Place' with a price not to exceed \$18,000.00 pursuant to RSMo 70.220 allowing 'cooperative arrangement' including procurement between 'City of Ste. Genevieve' and 'County of Ste. Genevieve'. Commissioner Ford seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Marberry yea. Commissioner Ford yea. All in favor. Motion passed. (Copies of applicable documentation attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Commissioner Marberry noted that he attended Parkland REDI Meeting on Friday, 6/13/2025. It was noted that there were no new developments as they relate to Ste. Genevieve County; data sheet was provided. (Copy of 'Data Sheet' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Marberry to 'Enter' into 'Emergency Closed Session' Meeting at 9:35 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 Marberry to 'Exit' the 'Emergency Closed Session' Meeting at 9:49 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.

Budget Review was completed since the 'County' is now halfway through the year. It was important to observe status due to downturn in 'Sales Tax Litigation' as a result of RSMo 144.054. (Copy of financial summary 'to date' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Marberry to 'Enter' into 'Emergency Closed Session' Meeting at 10:42 A.M. – pursuant to RSMo 610.021(1) – as it relates to 'Litigation'. 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 10:56 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. Commissioner Ford – Aye.

Commissioner Marberry reviewed information he was provided regarding 'Delta Regional Authority' Grant for 'Strategic Planning'. Grant is being offered as "100% Fully Funded Grant". Commissioner Marberry to handle with SEMO RPC.

Brad Arnold, Community Center Director, appeared before the Commission to provided update as it revolves around Community Center. Following were items reported:

- *Mr. Arnold noted that 'Community Center Foundation' Meeting to be conducted on 23rd of June; Full Commission planning to attend. Meeting to be held @ 'All Sports Complex'.

- *Mr. Arnold noted that 'issue' with 'Registers handled; Cost to Community Center for remainder of '2025 to be \$189.00.

- *Community Center Board Meeting to be held on Wednesday, 6/25/2025.

- *Weather not cooperating thus far as it relates to waterpark.

Carolyn Bach, Art Guild Director, appeared before the Commission to provide updated report for today's meeting. Following were items of importance reported:

- *Report provided regarding 'happenings' @ Art Guild to include 'Grant' that is being facilitated by Art Guild for 'sculpture' beautification. (Copy of 'Report' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

- *Update provided as it surrounds 'lawncare' for Art Guild. Review of this completed by Commission.

Accounts Payable for Date 6/16/2025 in the amount of \$102,241.13 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 6/23/2025.

APPROVED BY:

PRESIDING COMMISSIONER