

Ste. Genevieve County Commission Minutes

MONDAY, JULY 14, 2025

5TH Day of the July Term. The Commission Met Pursuant to Adjournment. Present were Presiding Commissioner Randy Ruzicka, Associate Commissioners Cory Ford and Mark Marberry along with Deputy County Clerk, Michele Gatzemeyer.

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

THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING THAT WAS HELD ON MONDAY, JULY 7, 2025 WERE READ. COMMISSIONER FORD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE SAID MINUTES AS PRESENTED. COMMISSIONER MARBERRY SECONDED THE MOTION. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED.

THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING THAT WAS HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 9, 2025 WERE READ. COMMISSIONER MARBERRY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE SAID MINUTES AS PRESENTED. COMMISSIONER FORD SECONDED THE MOTION. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED.

THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING THAT WAS HELD ON THURSDAY, JULY 10, 2025 WERE READ. COMMISSIONER FORD 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 'Items of Importance' noted:

- *Compliment provided to R&B Department on 'Mowing' job, especially in consideration of the many 'issues' that have occurred this summer such as weather, etc.

- *Mr. Schmieder to prepare 'estimated figures' surrounding 'cost' for necessary chip sealing projects that need to be completed throughout the 'County'.

Several 'Courthouse Projects' that need to be addressed:

- *Door Repair made to main 'Courthouse' Door Entrance, which had been reported and in need of repairs.

- *Air Conditioning 'issue' being addressed @ Ste. Genevieve '911' Building.

Due to unforeseen circumstances, it is being noted that the Ste. Genevieve County Commission will be attending the Ste. Genevieve Library Board Meeting today @ 12:00 P.M..

- *In addition, also due to unforeseen circumstances, all (3) Commissioners will be in attendance at the Ste. Genevieve Community Center Foundation Meeting.

Report provided from the Ste. Genevieve County Fair. Preliminary figures indicate that fair was well-attended.

- *The Commission reviewed several 'clean-up' projects with Scott Schmieder, R&B Foreman to be addressed in effort to prepare for future events at fairgrounds.

Dan Coomes, Vice-President of Engineering w/Citizens Electric Corporation, was on Conference Call with the Ste. Genevieve County Commission as it pertains to 'Road Use and Maintenance Agreement' between Ste. Genevieve County and Citizens Electric regarding Phase I and Phase II of progression of 'Sub-Station Project' from 'Salem Sub-Station to Sprott location to 'eventual' Kinsey Sub-Station. It was noted that final review will be completed with legal counsel for Ste. Genevieve County; the Commission will then reach out to Mr. Coomes in effort for project to move forward. The following items of importance were noted from Citizens standpoint:

- *Project will be potentially an 18-24 month process.

- *Final 'easement' acquisitions still need to be facilitated; however, said acquisitions should affect Phase III of 'project'. As additional information is made available surrounding this 'Agreement'; said detail to be provided.

Ste. Genevieve County is in receipt of 'Request' from the Department of Agriculture as it relates to 'Remonumentation' Program in an effort to perpetuate corners of the United States Public Land Survey System (USPLSS). Commissioner Marberry made a 'Motion' that Ste. Genevieve County will NOT be able to 'share in this expense' as was noted last year due to the substantial 'downturn' in revenue as a result of 'Reduction in Sales Tax Dollars'. Commissioner Ford seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Marberry yea. Commissioner Ford yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

Community Center Update reviewed: Following are the updates provided:

- *As it relates to '2025 Budget, Fund '05' – Community Center Sales Tax Fund currently shows that 'estimated' ending cash balance for 12/31/2025 is projected at an amount of \$520.81. After all final figures completed for this fund and taking into consideration that there was a 'carry-over' balance from '2023; the 'Community Center Sales Tax Fund' was 'In the Red' by an amount of \$183,595.81. (Copy of 'Sales Tax Fund – 05 attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Mr. Matt Clark, District Vice President for YMCA, appeared before the Commission. Update reviewed as it relates to Ste. Genevieve Community Center. Following were updates reviewed/provided:

- *Preliminary review of 'Agenda' as well as YMCA representatives to be in attendance at scheduled 'Town Hall' meeting reviewed.

- *Commissioner Ruzicka noted that it must be emphasized that the YMCA has facilitated the same process with other municipalities (for example, Fenton/South St. Louis/etc.) and have proven 'business models' to exemplify.

- *All public questions/concerns to be addressed in 'Townhall' Meeting.

- *Commissioner Marberry to facilitate a 'Zoom Meeting' so that availability will be offered to the entire general public.

Lisa Marschel, Collector, had presented 'Proposal' from Tyler Technologies as it relates to previous request that was 'approved' by the Commission for 'On-Line' Receipt Printing Capabilities. Commissioner Ruzicka signed 'Proposal' for amount of \$1,200. Said agreement

necessary for this option in effort to be compatible with the County's existing software. (Copy of said 'Proposal' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

Accounts Payable for Date 7/14/2025 in the amount of \$73,664.46 were reviewed and approved for payment by the Commission.

Commission Meeting was convened @ 11:30 A.M. as Commissioners scheduled to attend Ste. Genevieve Library Board Meeting @ 12:00 P.M.

*Immediately following 'Library Board Meeting'; Commissioners scheduled to attend Community Center 'Foundation' Meeting at 1:00 P.M. (Said information noted previously in this set of 'Minutes'.)

Matt Clark from YMCA in attendance @ both Library Board Meeting as well as Community Center Foundation Meeting to alleviate any concerns from both 'Boards'. Mr. Clark provided background information on himself along with the YMCA. All in attendance were again recommended to attend 'Townhall Meeting' on Wednesday Evening to dispel any concerns as well as obtain information first-hand.

ADJOURN

A Motion was made by Commissioner Ford to adjourn @ 2:00 P.M. Commissioner Marberry seconded the 'Motion'.

Ordered that the Commission adjourn until 7/16/2025.

APPROVED BY:

PRESIDING COMMISSIONER