

Ste. Genevieve County Commission Minutes

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2025

11th Day of the October Term. The Commission Met Pursuant to Adjournment. Present were Presiding Commissioner Randy Ruzicka, Associate Commissioner Cory Ford along with Deputy County Clerk, Michele Gatzemeyer. Commissioner Mark Marberry 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, NOVEMBER 6, 2025 WERE READ. COMMISSIONER FORD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE SAID MINUTES AS PRESENTED. COMMISSIONER RUZICKA 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:

- *Grader - Repairs have been completed.

- *Backhoe – McCoy Equipment to appear 'on-site' @ R&B Department to adjust 'Pressures' as Mr. Schmieder contacted 'Service Department' due to issues with said item. Mr. Schmieder also obtained 'old Bucket' from previous 'Backhoe' as it is better suited to Road Department's needs.

- *Daniel Lacy w/MoDOT provided 'approval' notification for 'Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission Permit Work on ROW for East Castor River Road as requested by Ste. Genevieve County in an effort to perform 'roadwork' in said area. (Copy of said 'Permit' is located in 'Records' in County Clerk's Office.)

- *License Plates ordered through 'Missouri Vocational Enterprises' for 'new vehicles' that were purchased by R&B Department through 'on-line' auction as has been previously reported. Plates provided to Mr. Schmieder today for installation. (Record of the same attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

- *Mr. Schmieder noted that he has 'idea' of roads that need to be addressed for work to be completed prior to making final decisions in next year's 'Budget'. Commissioners will prepare their lists; Commission and Mr. Schmieder to conduct 'trip' throughout the 'County' to review the same.

- *R&B Department performing 'new pipe' installation.

Mrs. Carolyn Bach, Director of the Ste. Genevieve Art Guild, contacted the Commission to advise that local contractor who has provided much work as it relates to 'County' Projects will be doing 'base' for the Ziegler sculpture, which the Art Guild has previously noted.

Commissioner Ruzicka made a 'Motion' to approve 'Award' of recent Asphalt Paving Bid to Jokerst, Inc. @ the "Total Bid Price" of \$208,841.48 with the 'contingency' that there are 'multiple sites' that were 'Bid' are contingent upon an award from FEMA (Federal Emergency

Management Agency) as 'Hazard Mitigation' Project. (Said detail to be provided as it becomes available.) Commissioner Ford seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Ruzicka yea. Commissioner Ford yea. All in favor. Motion passed. (Copies of 'Bid's' can be located in 'Records' in County Clerk's Office.)

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Ruzicka to 'Enter' into 'Closed Session' Meeting at 9:03 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 Ford – Aye.

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Ford to 'Exit' the 'Closed Session' Meeting at 9:57 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 Ford – Aye.

Elected Officials Meeting was held @ 10:00 A.M. Those in attendance in addition to the Commission were as follows:

- *Sue Wolk – County Clerk
- *Sara Hoog – Treasurer
- *Gary Stolzer – Sheriff
- *Amanda Kuehn – Public Administrator
- *Lisa Marschel – Collector
- *Mary Jane White – Recorder of Deeds
- *Julie Bova – Circuit Clerk
- *Linda Wagner – Assessor
- *Jenna Schweigert – (Sitting in for Wayne Williams) – Prosecuting Attorney's Office
- *Those Elected Officials NOT present for today's meeting were Tim Inman – Circuit Judge

as well as Eric Basler – Coroner.

***Normal Order of Business was discussed.

Mr. Matt Clark w/YMCA along with Kris Fulford, Executive Director for the Ste. Genevieve Community Center Branch, appeared before the Commission to provide report for today's meeting. Following were items reported:

*Amanda Kuehn, Public Administrator, was present for beginning of meeting w/YMCA to simply 'clarify' signature protocol for those 'clients' that she represents who participate in activities @ the YMCA as well as 'applicable membership requirements'.

*It was advised that ALL individuals age 18 and older must have ID requirements verified and "on-file" with the YMCA.

*Meetings have been scheduled between YMCA and 'tenants' of said structure to include Extension/Sunshine Daycare/Library/etc.

*There was discussion surrounding 'service' from AARP as it relates to 'senior taxes'. No final decision was made.

*The YMCA advised that, per legal counsel, any 'Trainer' that is teaching individuals or classes MUST BE AN EMPLOYEE OF THE YMCA.

*Pro Forma 'continuing' on improvements for the Community Center for "Phase I" Improvements to Community Center. Several 'priorities' that were mentioned were 'Child Watch', 'Group Exercise', and several other improvements to be evaluated/determined.

*Additional 'necessary' improvements to be reviewed as they are discovered between 'County' and 'YMCA'.

*Treasurer presented with representatives from the "YMCA"; she mentioned that there is still 'credit card transaction' transition. Both parties working on coordination of the same.

As 'End of Year' nears closer; continued 'Budget Reviews' to be evaluated. Additional review completed with Sheriff's Department today simply to determine 'stance' of 'County' to avoid any last minute surprises.

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Ford to 'Enter' into 'Emergency Closed Session' Meeting at 11:40 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 Ford – Aye.

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Ruzicka to 'Exit' the 'Emergency Closed Session' Meeting at 11:45 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 Ford – Aye.

Accounts Payable for Date 11/10/2025 in the amount of \$149,535.13 were reviewed and approved for payments by the Commission.

ADJOURN

A Motion was made by Commissioner Ford to adjourn @ 1:10 P.M. Commissioner Ruzicka seconded the 'Motion'.

Ordered that the Commission adjourn until 11/13/2025.

Michele Gatzemeyer – Deputy County Clerk

Randy Ruzicka – Presiding Commissioner