

Ste. Genevieve County Commission Minutes

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2026**

10<sup>TH</sup> Day of the January 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 RUZICKA AT 8:15 A.M.

THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING THAT WAS HELD ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2026 WERE READ. COMMISSIONER MARBERRY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE SAID MINUTES AS PRESENTED. COMMISSIONER FORD SECONDED THE MOTION. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED.

Commissioner Ford reaching out to 'entities' in effort to see if we can find a 'home' for 'Bleachers' @ Community Center. Additional detail to be provided as it becomes available.

Commissioner Ford provided report from Fair Board Meeting. Members resigning attended in effort to bring all 'up to date' on status of what has been completed as it relates to 2026 proposed fair. Several items that will have to be addressed:

\*Contact being made in effort to locate someone to 'run 'Truck & Tractor Pull'.

\*Commissioner Ford noted that he is currently working on locating Fair Board Members.

Meeting conducted regarding SB190. The 'Elected Officials' in attendance were as follows: Collector – Lisa Marschel, Recorder of Deeds – Mary Jane White, and Assessor – Linda Wagner. Following were 'Items of Importance' provided:

\*Mrs. Wagner pointed out that 'input data' has to be input for 2025 as well as 2026. Mrs. Wagner advised that she does not have 'final detail' for 2026. Mrs. Wagner also noted that 'changes' could occur upon potential final decisions that are made during 'Board of Equalization'. There is the possibility of reaching out to other 'Counties' in effort to see how other 'Counties' are handling/facilitating SB190.

\*Mrs. Marschel advised that she receives information from the Assessor. The Collector has to have figures for both 2025 and 2026.

\*Values for 2025 are 'Certified'.

\*Commissioner Ruzicka noted that information needs to be based on 'current status'.

\*Question arose about what/how to handle those applications that are in TIF District?

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

\*R&B Department continues to perform 'Routine Maintenance'.

\*Mr. Schmieder waiting on 'weather' to 'break' in effort to continue with the many upcoming projects that need to be completed.

The Commission reviewed 'Equipment Bill of Sale' as forwarded by the YMCA regarding 'buyback' of equipment by the YMCA for 'exercise equipment' at both the Community Center as well as 'Bloomsdale Facility'. Total Payment Amount scheduled - \$54,975.00. (Copy of 'Equipment Bill of Sale attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

'Proposal' for 2026 Projects in queue for 'Resources to Recovery' presented to the Ste. Genevieve County Commission. Detail needed to be reviewed as 'funding' for proposal would need to be utilized through 'Opioid Settlement Funds'. Planning is currently underway for the annual conference that is facilitated through Resources to Recovery. The 'Title' planned for this year's presentation is "*THE COP AND THE COUNSELOR: A FRONTLINE WELLNESS STORY*". Presentation is targeted for Mental Health Professionals, Social Workers, Educators, Policy Makers, Community Leaders, and all First Responders and Families. 'Proposal' meets criteria set forth for National Opioid Settlement Funds.

Scheduled 'Bid Opening' conducted @ 10:00 A.M. for 'Paving Projects for the following Ste. Genevieve County Roads: Cindy Lane/Cedar Trail, Holmes Road, and Genevieve Church Road. The following participated and were present for said 'Bid Opening': Mr. Josh Baker and Mr. Brent Weiler w/Jokerst, Inc. as well as Mr. Christopher Bauman w/Vern Bauman Contracting Co. Bids were opened by Presiding Commissioner Randy Ruzicka and were noted as follows:

\*Cindy Lane/Cedar Trail – (Paving of these (2) Roads to be conducted as (1) Project.

\*\*Cindy Lane – 3/10 mile in Length; Width – 16 to 17 Ft. – "To be paved w/MoDOT BP-1 Compacted to 3" (Cul-de-Sac on EACH END of said ROAD.)

-Vern Bauman Contracting Co. – Estimated Tons @ 932 @ \$78.38/TON - \$73,050.16. (Alternate Included w/Attachment for 'Sawcut and removal of approximately 144 sq. ft. of existing concrete - \$1,516.14.)

-Jokerst, Inc. – Estimated Tons @ 932 @ \$80.49/TON - \$75,016.68. (Alternate Included w/Attachment for 'Sawcut and removal of approximately 144 sq. ft. of existing concrete - \$1,200.00.)

**TOTAL BID PROPOSAL FOR CINDY LANE/CEDAR TRAIL – VERN BAUMAN - \$74,566.30.**

**TOTAL BID PROPOSAL FOR CINDY LANE/CEDAR TRAIL – JOKERST, INC. - \$76,216.68.**

\*Holmes Road – 3.1 Miles in Length; Width – 20 Ft. – "To be paved w/MoDOT BP-1 Compacted to 2" for 'Overlay'.

-Vern Bauman Contracting Co. – Estimated Tons @ 4,034 @ \$82.11/TON - \$331,231.79.

-Jokerst, Inc. – Estimated Tons @ 4,034 @ \$81.45/TON - \$328,569.30.

**TOTAL BID PROPOSAL FOR HOLMES ROAD – VERN BAUMAN - \$331,231.79.**

**TOTAL BID PROPOSAL FOR HOLMES ROAD – JOKERST, INC. - \$328,569.30.**

\*Genevieve Church Road – 4 Miles in Length; Width – 20 Ft. – "To be paved w/MoDOT BP-1 Compacted to 2" for 'Overlay'.

-Vern Bauman Contracting Co. – Estimated Tons @ 5,176 @ \$74.28/TON - \$384,473.28.

-Jokerst, Inc. – Estimated Tons @ 5,176 @ \$74.43/TON - \$385,249.68.

**TOTAL BID PROPOSAL FOR GENEVIEVE CHURCH ROAD – VERN BAUMAN - \$384,473.28.**

**TOTAL BID PROPOSAL FOR GENEVIEVE CHURCH ROAD – JOKERST, INC. - \$385,249.68.**

**\*(Both 'Bid Proposals' can be located in County Clerk's Records located in said Office.)**  
**\*Bids to be reviewed w/"Bid Award" to be made at upcoming Commission Meeting scheduled for Thursday, 2/12/2026.**

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Marberry to 'Enter' into 'Closed Session' Meeting at 10:07 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 'Closed Session' Meeting at 11:22 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.

Accounts Payable for Date 2/9/2026 in the amount of \$221,707.71 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 2/12/2026.

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Michele Gatzemeyer – Deputy County Clerk

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Randy Ruzicka – Presiding Commissioner