

Ste. Genevieve County Commission Minutes

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 8, 2026**

2<sup>ND</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 WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31, 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 MONDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2026 WERE READ. COMMISSIONER FORD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE SAID MINUTES AS PRESENTED. COMMISSIONER MARBERRY SECONDED THE MOTION. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED.

The Commission reviewed the Ste. Genevieve Group Home Board of Directors. Upon review of the same, Commissioner Marberry made a 'Motion' to approve the 'Reappointment' of the following Group Home Board Members: Linda Kertz, Michele McGuire, and Sandra Stewart. Commissioner Ford seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Marberry yea. Commissioner Ford yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

The Commission reviewed the Ste. Genevieve Mental Health Board. After careful review, Commissioner Ford made a 'Motion' to reappoint the following Ste. Genevieve Mental Health Board Members: Amanda Kuehn, Sarah McMahill, and Sue Zerwig. Commissioner Marberry seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Ford yea. Commissioner Marberry yea. All in favor. Motion passed.

TAP Grant Update: Work to progress on 'sidewalks' around perimeter of Courthouse; additional detail will continue to be provided.

Commissioner Ford in process of 'finalizing' Change Order Project (re: TAP Grant) that falls under responsibility of Ste. Genevieve County.

Mr. Scott Schmieder, Road & Bridge Foreman, appeared before the Commission to provide report for today's meeting. Following were items reported:

\*Mr. Schmieder reported that in 2025, the following figures need to be reported:

- \*Road Signs to be replaced – 75
- \*Stop Signs to be replaced by 'County' Road Department – (6)
- \*Road Rock/Maintenance Rock Used – 16,268 TON
- \*Base Rock Used by R&B Department – 8,068 TON
- \*Chips/Salt – 1,441 TON

\*Asphalt completed by Road & Bridge Department on  
'County Roads' – 2,403 TON

\*Mr. Schmieder provided 'Fuel Tickets' from most recent Fuel Purchase that was provided (low bid) to Heil Oil Company. (Copies of 'fuel tickets' attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

\*The Commission reviewed 'additional information' as it relates to recent purchase of Kubota 'Mid-Size' Excavator. After a great deal of careful consideration, Commissioner Ford made a 'Motion' to approve additional expenditure of \$13,301.74 to include 'Extended Warranty' on equipment relating to the same. Commissioner Marberry seconded the 'Motion'. Commissioner Ford yeas. Commissioner Marberry yeas. All in favor. Motion passed.

It was noted that the Commissioners to attend CCAM Training February 25<sup>th</sup> through the 27<sup>th</sup>.

Close review completed on w/Sheriff Stolzer as it relates to his 'Budgets' for 2026. The following 'Budgets' are part of the 'entire' Sheriff's operation. They were reviewed closely and are as follows: LET (Law Enforcement Training), Inmate Security, Revolving Fund, Sheriff Fees, LERF (Law Enforcement Restitution Fund), K-9 Fund, Federal Forfeiture Fund, CAFA, Capital Improvement, LEST (Law Enforcement Sales Tax), and Jail. All funds were reviewed as this is 'crucial' to finalizing final budget for Ste. Genevieve County. (Copies attached to Commission Record Supplement for this Date.)

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Ford to 'Enter' into 'Closed Session' Meeting at 11:17 A.M. – pursuant to RSMo 610.021(2) – as it relates to 'Contracts' as well as 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 Ford – Aye. Commissioner Marberry – Aye.

A 'Motion' was made by Commissioner Marberry to 'Exit' the 'Closed Session' Meeting at 11:24 A.M. – pursuant to RSMo 610.021(2) – as it relates to 'Contracts' as well as 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.

Kris Fulford w/YMCA appeared before the Commission to provide report for today's meeting. Following were items of importance noted:

\*"Child Watch" Room @ YMCA is now fully operational.

\*YMCA and Ste. Genevieve Library to 'share' employee through the YMCA that will be utilized by both entities. Future 'evaluation' will be completed in an effort to insure that said 'position' is beneficial to both the YMCA and the Library. As 'position' evolves, the YMCA will continue to keep the Commission updated.

\*Review and attention is being addressed to HVAC Units. As additional detail becomes available, Kris will advise the Commission of the same.

\*YMCA currently focusing on improvements to 'Group Exercise' Program(s).

\*Efforts to 'finalize' Agreements between YMCA and Univ. of MO Extension, Sunshine Day Care, and Ste. Genevieve Library are continuing to get closer to reaching 'fruition'.

Commissioner Marberry called meeting with 'Flex Position Employees' as these positions took effect January 1, 2026 with oversight to be conducted by the Ste. Genevieve County Commission. Following were updates regarding the same:

\*Laptops provided to both employees to be utilized in said position.

\*Responsibilities along with any 'changes' to their current employment dynamics were explained.

There were no Accounts Payable(s) reported as 'Payables' not scheduled to be appropriated until 'Budget Hearing' is complete; this is scheduled for January 22, 2026.

### **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 1/12/2026.

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Michele Gatzemeyer – Deputy County Clerk

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Randy Ruzicka – Presiding Commissioner