# MINUTES OF THE STE. GENEVIEVE BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETING THURSDAY – AUGUST 27, 2015 7:00 P.M.

**CALL TO ORDER.** Mayor Greminger called the regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen to order at 7:00 p.m. and all stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL.** A roll call by City Clerk Pam Meyer showed the following members present:

Mayor Richard Greminger Alderman Tom Couch Alderman Mike Jokerst Alderman Donald Stuppy Alderman Joe Prince

Alderwoman Beth Caldwell Alderman John Stuppy Alderman Rick Huck

Absent: Alderman Randy Ruzicka

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA.** A motion by Alderman Jokerst, second by Alderman J. Stuppy to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 7-0-1 with Alderman Ruzika absent.

PRESENTATION/AWARDS. None.

### PERSONAL APPEARANCES...

Ginny Bretzke with Cochran gave a project status report on the Water Main replacement project.

Ms. Bretzke stated that the contractor is currently in Project 5 which includes the area of Ste. Genevieve Drive and Triangle Drive and the project is on running on schedule.

Kara Bert with the Downtown Revitalization Group gave an update on the group and upcoming events.

Mr. Robert Browne – 498 Merchant Street addressed the Mayor and Board of Aldermen seeking an apology after the court case involving him was dismissed. Mr. Browne stated that the Board had once told him that after his case was over to come back and it could be discussed. Since the appeals court ruled in his favor he stated he is back to hear what they have to say now. With no questions being asked Mr. Browne wanted to know why they invited him back if they had no questions for him? Mayor Greminger stated that at the time Mr. Brown addressed the board it was still an open investigation, at this point the judicial system has ruled the way they should have and no one has

any questions. At this point Mr. Browne stated that is because no one cares that he had been tortured now for several years and nothing has been done until it was posted on Facebook. After some discussion Alderman Couch asked Mr. Browne what it was he exactly wanted from the City? Mr. Browne stated that he though him and his girlfriend are owed an apology for what they have gone through. At this time, Prosecuting Attorney Carl Kinsky spoke from his seat and apologized to Mr. Browne, stating he was sorry, as a prosecutor he has difficult decisions to make and sometimes he does make mistakes. Even after the apology Mr. Browne continue to say that no one in the City cared. Mayor Greminger stated "he disagrees with him and that the City is doing what we can do now. Do we need to do more? Maybe so."

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT.** See attached report.

STAFF REPORTS.

**Kenny Steiger, Fire Chief** (See Attached Report)

**Petree Powell, Community Development Administrator** (See Attached Report)

**Steve Wilson, Alliance Water Resources** (See Attached Report)

### COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Alderman Jokerst reported on the recent Channel 990/991 meeting. It was reported that they will be adopting a formal budget for the first time.

# **CONSENT AGENDA**

**Minutes – Board of Aldermen – Regular Meeting – August 13, 2015.** A motion by Alderman D. Stuppy, second by Alderwoman Caldwell to approve the Minutes of the Regular meeting of the Board of Alderman from August 13, 2015. Motion carried 7-0-1 with Alderman Ruzicka absent.

**Approval of July - 2015 Treasurer's Report.** A motion by Alderman Prince, second by Alderman Jokerst to approve the Treasurer's Report for July, 2015. Motion carried Alderman Prince, second by Alderman Jokerst. Motion carried 7-0-1 with Alderman Ruzicka absent.

A public hearing will be held to give the citizens an opportunity to comment on the property tax rates proposed to be set by the City of Ste. Genevieve a political subdivision. The tax rates shall be set to produce revenues which the budget for the fiscal year 2016 shows to be required from the property tax. Mayor Greminger opened the public hearing at 7:43 p.m. There being no comments the public hearing was closed by Mayor Greminger at 7:43 p.m.

**RESOLUTION 2015 - 42.** A RESOLUTION TO SHOW SUPPORT OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF STE. GENEVIEVE, MISSOURI FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A

NATIONAL PARK SITE AND AFFILIATE AREA IN STE. GENEVIEVE, MISSOURI. A motion by Alderwoman Caldwell, second by Alderman Couch to approve Resolution 2015-42. Motion carried 7-0-1 with Alderman Ruzicka absent.

**OLD BUSINESS.** None.

# **NEW BUSINESS.**

BILL NO. 4053. AN ORDINANCE LEVYING TAXES FOR THE YEAR 2015. 1<sup>ST</sup> READING. A motion by Alderman Jokerst, second by Alderman Prince, Bill No. 4053 was placed on its first reading, read by title only, considered and passed with a 7-0-1 vote of the Board of Alderman with Alderman Ruzicka absent. A motion made by Alderwoman Caldwell, second by Alderman Prince to proceed with the second and final reading of Bill No. 4053. Motion carried 7-0-1 with Alderman Ruzicka absent. A motion by Alderman Jokerst, second by Alderman D. Stuppy, Bill No. 4053 was placed on its second and final reading, read by title only, considered and passed by a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Alderwoman Beth Caldwell, Alderman John Stuppy, Alderman Mike Jokerst, Alderman Joe Prince, Alderman Richard Huck, Alderman Tom Couch and Alderman Donald Stuppy. Nays: None Absent: Alderman Randy Ruzicka Motion carried 7-0-1. Thereupon Bill No. 4053 was declared Ordinance No. 3990 signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

BILL NO. 4054. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A DATA EXCHANGE AGREEMENT WITH THE STE. GENEVIEVE COUNTY ASSESSOR'S OFFICE TO OBTAIN BASE MAP DATA AND MONTHLY UPDATES TO SERVE AS THE BASE INFORMATION FOR THE CITY'S WEB-BASED GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM (GIS). 1<sup>ST</sup> READING. A motion by Alderman Jokerst, second by Alderman Prince, Bill No. 4054 was placed on its first reading, read by title only, considered and passed with a 7-0-1 vote of the Board of Aldermen with Alderman Ruzicka absent. A motion made by Alderman Huck, second by Alderman D. Stuppy to proceed with the second and final reading of Bill No. 4054. Motion carried 7-0-1 with Alderman Ruzicka absent. A motion by Alderman Prince, second by Alderman Jokerst, Bill No. 4054 was placed on its second and final reading, read by title only, considered and passed by a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Alderwoman Beth Caldwell, Alderman John Stuppy, Alderman Mike Jokerst, Alderman Joe Prince, Alderman Richard Huck, Alderman Tom Couch and Alderman Donald Stuppy. None Absent: Alderman Randy Ruzicka Motion carried 7-0-1. Thereupon Bill No. 4054 was declared Ordinance No. 3990 signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

BILL NO. 4055. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THOUVENOT, WADE & MOERCHEN, INC. (TWM) TO PROVIDE A WEB BASED MAPPING PLATFORM AND GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM (GIS). 1<sup>ST</sup> READING. A motion by Alderman Prince, second by Alderwoman Caldwell, Bill No. 4055 was placed on its first reading, read by title only, considered and passed with a 7-0-1 vote of the Board of Aldermen with Alderman Ruzicka absent. A motion made by Alderman Prince, second by Alderman D. Stuppy to proceed with the second and final reading of Bill No. 4055. Motion carried 7-0-1 with Alderman Ruzicka absent. A motion by Alderman Prince, second by Alderman Jokerst, Bill No. 4055 was

placed on its second and final reading, read by title only, considered and passed by a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Alderwoman Beth Caldwell, Alderman John Stuppy, Alderman Mike Jokerst, Alderman Joe Prince, Alderman Richard Huck, Alderman Tom Couch and Alderman Donald Stuppy. Nays: None Absent: Alderman Randy Ruzicka Motion carried 7-0-1. Thereupon Bill No. 4055 was declared Ordinance No. 3991 signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

**BILL NO. 4056.** AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A BUDGET AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF STE. GENEVIEVE FISCAL YEAR 2015 BUDGET RELATING TO THE TOURISM COMMISSION. 1<sup>st</sup> READING. A motion by Alderman Jokerst, second by Alderman D. Stuppy, Bill No. 4056 was placed on its first reading, read by title only, considered and passed with a 7-0-1 vote of the Board of Alderman with Alderman Ruzicka absent.

**BILL NO. 4057.** AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A BUDGET AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF STE. GENEVIEVE FISCAL YEAR 2015 BUDGET RELATING TO THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET #10, DEPARTMENT #16 POLICE. 1<sup>ST</sup> READING. A motion by Alderman D. Stuppy, second by Alderman Prince, Bill No. 4057 was placed on its first reading, read by title only, considered and passed with a 7-0-1 vote of the Board of Aldermen with Alderman Ruzicka absent.

**BILL NO. 4058.** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 110: MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN; SECTION 110.210, ORDER OF BUSINESS AND THE AGENDA. 1<sup>ST</sup> READING. A motion by Alderman Prince, second by Alderman D. Stuppy, Bill No. 4058 was placed on its first reading, read by title only, considered and passed with a 7-0-1 vote of the Board of Aldermen with Alderman Ruzicka absent.

**BILL NO. 4059.** AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A BUDGET AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF STE. GENEVIEVE FISCAL YEAR 2015 BUDGET RELATING TO THE WATER FUND BUDGET #30. 1<sup>st</sup> READING. A motion by Alderman Jokerst, second by Alderman Prince, Bill No. 4059 was placed on its first reading, read by title only, considered and passed with a 7-0-1 vote of the Board of Alderman with Alderman Ruzicka absent.

# **PUBLIC COMMENTS.** None.

**OTHER BUSINESS.** Mayor Greminger announced that the next Board of Aldermen meeting will be held on September 9<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30 p.m. due to a scheduling conflict with "What's New".

# MAYOR/BOARD OF ALDERMEN COMMUNICATION. None.

**EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION.** Alderman Huck Excused himself. A motion by Alderwoman Caldwell, second by Alderman Couch to go into closed session for personnel matters as authorized by Section 610.021(3), RSMO. Motion carried 6-0-2 with the following roll call vote: Alderwoman

Beth Caldwell, Alderman John Stuppy, Alderman Mike Jokerst, Alderman Joe Prince, Alderman Tom Couch and Alderman Donald Stuppy. Nays: None Absent: Alderman Randy Ruzicka and Alderman Richard Huck. A motion by Alderwoman Caldwell, second by Alderman Jokerst to come out of closed session. Motion carried 6-0-2 with the following roll call: Alderwoman Beth Caldwell, Alderman John Stuppy, Alderman Mike Jokerst, Alderman Joe Prince, Alderman Tom Couch and Alderman Donald Stuppy. Nays: None Absent: Alderman Randy Ruzicka and Alderman Richard Huck. 8:13 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT.** A motion by Alderman Prince, second by Alderwoman Caldwell to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 6-0-2 with Alderman Huck and Alderman Ruzicka absent.

Respectfully submitted by,

Pam Meyer City Clerk