## MINUTES OF THE STE. GENEVIEVE BOARD OF ALDERMEN BUDGET WORK SESSION AUGUST 15, 2024

The budget work session of the Ste. Genevieve Board of Aldermen was called to order by Mayor Brian Keim at 6:00 p.m. and all stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present were:

Alderman Bob Donovan

Alderman Patrick Fahey

Alderman Mike Raney

Alderman Jeff Eydmann

Alderman Eric Bennett zoom and arrived at 6:50

Alderman Joe Steiger

Alderwoman Amie Dobbs

ABSENT: Alderman Joe Prince

At this time City Administrator Welch presented the overall budget and explained the different fund balances. Each department presented their budget and explained their overall large item costs. After reviewing and asking questions the board would like the following items put back in the budget and the revision brought back to them at the August 22<sup>nd</sup> work session to discuss further:

- Insert a 2% COLA addition to the step raise for wages/salaries.
- Re-allocated ARPA funding for the police department portable radios for digital use
- Reduce the attorney fees in Judicial by \$5,000
- Add back in \$24,000 for a PT Fire Chief Position working 18 hours/week
- Add in \$8,000 added to tourism marketing line item.
- Check with Chamber on the \$6,000 expenditure
- Have a representative from 911 Board at a future meeting

To allow for the above considerations with the Fund Balance Policy there will be two options the Board will have available for them to consider:

- 1. Transfer \$50,000 from Capital Projects to General Fund and lower the Fund Balance Policy reserve requirement to 40%. OR
- 2. Transfer \$303,000 from Capital Projects to General Fund to reach the 50% minimum

ANY OTHER BUSINESS. None.

**ADJOURNMENT.** With no further business Mayor Keim adjourned the work session at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Pam Meyer

City Clerk