MINUTES OF THE STE. GENEVIEVE BOARD OF ALDERMEN WORK SESSION THURSDAY – July 11, 2024

The work session of the Ste. Genevieve Board of Aldermen was called to order by Mayor Brian Keim at 6:26 p.m. with the following members present:

Mayor Brian Keim

Alderwoman Amie Dobbs

Alderman Bob Donovan

Alderman Patrick Fahey

Alderman Joe Steiger

Alderman Jeff Eydmann

Alderman Mike Raney

Alderman Joe Prince

Absent:

Alderman Eric Bennett

A motion was made by Alderman Steiger, second by Alderman Donovan to amend and approve the work session agenda to include OTHER BUSINESS at the beginning of the meeting. Motion carried 7-0-1 with Alderman Bennett absent.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS. Dr Sandra Hoffman gave an update on several properties that she is upgrading in the downtown area.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

STOP SIGNS – MAIN and WASHINGTON. City Administrator Happy Welch discovered there already is an ordinance authorizing a four way stop at Main and Washington. The board came to a consensus to add the two other stop signs on a temporary basis for now and send a letter to affected businesses asking for their input.

DROP TOURISM ADVISORY COUNCIL & ADD AD HOC NON-VOTING MEMBERS

FOR TTC. City Administrator Happy Welch went over possible elimination of the TAC (Tourism Advisory Council) and adding them as non-voting members of TTC (Tourism Tax Commission). The combination of the two organizations meetings as well as the hiring of a marketing firm has eliminated a lot of the need for a second organization. There would still be members of the Chamber of Commerce, County Commission and Ste Genevieve Alderman in attendance. The board came to a consensus to move forward with a bill on the issue.

INCREASE TRANSIENT HOTEL / MOTEL TAX FROM 2% TO 3% FOR PROMOTON OF TOURISM. City Administrator Happy Welch went over the possibility of adding a Transient

Hotel / Motel Tax increase from the current 2% to a proposed 3% on the next available election on November 5th, 2024. Alderman Steiger proposed changing the 3% to 4% for the ballot. The board came to a consensus to move forward with a bill for approval at the 4% increase.

ADJOURNMENT. With no further business Mayor Brian Keim adjourned the work session at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

David Woods

Front Clerk