MINUTES OF THE STE. GENEVIEVE BOARD OF ALDERMEN WORK SESSION APRIL 25, 2024

The work session of the Ste. Genevieve Board of Aldermen was called to order by Mayor Pro-Tem Donovan at 6:28 p.m. with the following members present:

Alderman Bob Donovan Alderman Mike Raney Alderman Joe Prince Alderwoman Amie Dobbs

Alderman Patrick Fahey Alderman Jeff Eydmann Alderman Joe Steiger

ABSENT: Mayor Brian Keim Alderman Eric Bennett

A motion by Alderman Steiger, second by Alderman Raney to approve the amended work session agenda as presented. Motion carried 7-0-1 with Alderman Bennett absent.

BUSINESS ITEMS.

• MAPLE DRIVE WATERMAIN REPLACEMENT – SG SCHOOL DISTRICT. Dr. Paul Taylor addressed the Board regarding the water main replacement on Maple Drive. Mr. Taylor reported that Taylor Engineering will be submitting plans for the Maple drive water main replacement for staff review and will be sending out for contract bids once approved. Dr. Taylor was present to ask the Board for financial assistance for the cost of the water line increase from the existing 4" to 8" so the fire sprinkler system has enough water volume at the new Early Childhood Education Center and that this is time sensitive since they will be ready to hang sprinkler pipe in the next six weeks. The board will have to amend its current budget to allow this project to happen this fiscal year. After some discussion it was decided to have a committee sit down with the school and negotiate cost. Alderman Donovan and Steiger volunteered to be on the committee along with City Administrator Welch.

A motion by Alderman Steiger, second by Alderman Eydmann to amend the agenda and place Parkland REDI Participation on for the next topic to be discussed and have the closed session at the end. Motion carried 7-0-1 with Alderman Bennett absent.

• PARKLAND REDI PARTICIPATION. Ste. Genevieve County is part of the Parkland REDI group that was created from an initiative from the Regional Rural Development Centers for rural communities to work together for economic development starting in 2009. Prior to last year the website lay dormant and was out of date. Mr. Scoot Sattler, formerly Perry County Economic

Development Director, has been contracted to relaunch the 4 county website and assist with economic development for the counties of Ste. Genevieve, St. Francois, Ironton and Madison. Currently St. Francois County IDA is footing the full bill (\$30,000). Ste. Genevieve County's portion for the year is \$5,153.86 and the City of Ste. Genevieve has been invited to participate in meetings and decision making. Happy is asking if the Board would like to participate and pay the \$5,153.86 and participate in the meetings and decision making? Ste. Genevieve County has opted not to participate due to budget constraints. A motion by Alderman Steiger, second by Alderman Fahay to pay the \$5,153.86 to become participate with the Parkland REDI and to ask the County if they would be interested in a cost share. Motion carried 7-0-1 with Alderman Bennett absent.

• **REAL ESTATE MATTERS.** A motion by Alderman Prince, second by Alderman Eydmann to go into closed session pursuant to Section 610.021(2) (leasing, purchasing, or sale of real estate). A roll call vote showed the following: Ayes: Alderman Fahey, Alderwoman Dobbs, Alderman Donovan, Alderman Eydmann, Alderman Steiger, Alderman Prince and Alderman Raney. Nayes: None. Absent: Alderman Bennett. Motion carried 7-0-1. 7:11 p.m.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS. None.

ADJOURNMENT. A motion by Alderman Steiger, second by Alderman Eydmann to adjourn the work session. Motion carried 7-0-1 with Alderman Bennett absent. 7:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Pam Meyer City Clerk