

**Minutes of the  
Ste. Genevieve Board of Aldermen  
Regular Meeting  
Thursday – August 14, 2014**

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

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

Mayor Richard Greminger  
Alderwoman Beth Caldwell  
Alderman Tom Couch  
Alderman John Stuppy  
Alderman Mike Jokerst

Alderman Richard Huck  
Alderman Donald Stuppy  
Alderman Joe Prince  
Alderman Teddy Ross

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA.** A motion by Alderman Jokerst, second by Alderwoman Caldwell to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 8-0.

**PRESENTATION/AWARDS.** None.

**PERSONAL APPEARANCES.** None.

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT.** (See Attached Report)

**STAFF REPORTS.** None.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS.** None

**CONSENT AGENDA.**

**Minutes – Board of Aldermen – Regular Meeting – July 24, 2014.** A motion by Alderwoman Caldwell, second by Alderman Jokerst to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board of Aldermen meeting held on July 24, 2014. Motion carried 8-0.

**OLD BUSINESS.**

**BILL NO. 3980. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A BUDGET AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF STE. GENEVIEVE FISCAL YEAR 2014 BUDGET RELATING TO THE GENERAL FUND #10. 2<sup>nd</sup> READING.** A motion by Alderman Couch, second by Alderman Jokerst, Bill No. 3980 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 Tom Couch, Alderman John Stuppy, Alderman Mike Jokerst, Alderman Richard Huck, Alderman Donald Stuppy, Alderman Joe Prince, and Alderman Teddy Ross. Nays: None Motion carried 8-0. Thereupon Bill No. 3980 was declared Ordinance No. 3921 signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

At this time general discussion occurred regarding Bill No. 3981 amongst the Mayor and Board members.

**BILL NO. 3981.** AN ORDINANCE CALLING A BOND ELECTION IN THE CITY OF STE. GENEVIEVE , MISSOURI AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN ACTIONS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH. **2<sup>nd</sup> READING.** A motion by Alderman Jokerst, no second, motion dies due to lack of second.

#### **NEW BUSINESS.**

**BILL NO. 3983. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A THREE PARTY PAYMENT AGREEMENT WITH MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND COCHRAN ENGINEERING FOR AN ENGINEERING SERVICES REPORT. 1<sup>st</sup> READING.** A motion by Alderman J. Stuppy, second by Alderman Ross, Bill No. 3983 was placed on its first reading, read by title only, considered and passed with an 8-0 vote of the Board of Aldermen.

**BILL NO. 3984. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF STE. GENEVIEVE, MISSOURI, TO ESTABLISH A PROCEDURE TO DISCLOSE POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND SUBSTANTIAL INTERESTS FOR CERTAIN OFFICIALS. 1<sup>st</sup> READING.** A motion by Alderman Huck, second by Alderman Couch, Bill No. 3984 was placed on its first reading, read by title only, considered and passed with an 8-0 vote of the Board of Aldermen. A motion by Alderwoman Caldwell, second by Alderman Couch, to proceed with the second and final reading of Bill No. 3984. Motion carried 8-0. A motion by Alderwoman Caldwell, second by Alderman J. Stuppy, Bill No. 3984 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 Tom Couch, Alderman John Stuppy, Alderman Mike Jokerst, Alderman Richard Huck, Alderman Donald Stuppy, Alderman Joe Prince, and Alderman Teddy Ross. Nays: None Motion carried 8-0. Thereupon Bill No. 3984 was declared Ordinance No. 3922 signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS.**

**Bill Fischer** – Addressed the Mayor and Board and voiced his opinion that the ISO rating is a total scam and that it has no effect on insurance rates. Mr. Fischer also suggested that the Fire Department do what other fire departments in the area do and raise the money itself instead.

**Carl Wehner – 1158 Valle Spring Trail** – Addressed the Mayor and Board asking whom is pushing for the new ladder truck? He also stated that City Administrator Martin Toma stated that there had been pledges made by local business' but the names and amounts were never made public.

**Robert Browne – 498 Merchant Street** –Mr. Browne addressed the Mayor and Board and thanked City leaders who have helped him and stated that there is light at the end of the tunnel. Mr. Browne also asked City leaders to consider making Fifth Street one way from Jefferson to Market one way? It is currently no parking on the West Side of the street.

**Wayne Vogt – 486 Merchant Street** – Mr. Vogt is a neighbor to Mr. Browne and he addressed the Mayor and Board concerning how long the situation with Mr. Browne and the juveniles has gone on. Mr. Vogt stated he feels like the City is letting juveniles (teenagers) dominate the neighborhood. Mr. Vogt is afraid of what may happen if law enforcement does not get a handle on the situation now.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS.**

**Approval of a liquor license for Dollar General, 21040 Hwy 32 to sell all kinds of intoxicating liquor in the original package. (No Sunday Sales)** A motion by Alderman Jokerst, second by Alderman J. Stuppy to approve the liquor license request for Dollar General Store located at 21040 Hwy 32. Motion carried 8-0.

#### **MAYOR/BOARD OF ALDERMEN COMMUNICATION.**

Alderman John Stuppy asked why D.W.I.'s that are given by City Police officers were being prosecuted through the county. Alderman Stuppy stated he feels like the City is missing out on revenue by not handling the cases through the City. Chief Bennett stated that the topic has been under discussion and requires some follow up between the police department and the prosecutor's office. Chief Bennett stated that hopefully soon all DWI's that can be run through the City will be.

Alderman Donnie Stuppy asked what the proper procedure is on notifying customers of a water main break. Steve Wilson with Alliance Water Resources explained the procedures that are routinely followed. It was also suggested that the City look into possibly contacting residents through the reverse 911 if possible. Chief Bennett was going to check with 911 officials to see if it's even a possibility?

**EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION.** A motion by Alderman D. Stuppy, second by Alderwoman Caldwell to go into closed session to discussion real estate acquisition matters as authorized by Section 610.021(2), RSMO. Motion Carried 8-0 with the following roll call vote: Ayes: Alderwoman Beth Caldwell, Alderman Tom Couch, Alderman John Stuppy, Alderman Mike Jokerst, Alderman Richard Huck, Alderman Donald Stuppy, Alderman Joe Prince, and Alderman Teddy Ross. Nays: None 8:04 p.m.

A motion by Alderman Huck, second by Alderwoman Caldwell to come out of closed session. Motion carried 8-0 with the following roll call vote: Ayes: Alderwoman Beth Caldwell, Alderman Tom Couch,

Alderman John Stuppy, Alderman Mike Jokerst, Alderman Richard Huck, Alderman Donald Stuppy, Alderman Joe Prince, and Alderman Teddy Ross. Nays: None 8:25 p.m.

A motion by Alderman Jokerst, second by Alderman Prince to Authorize City Administrator Martin Toma to execute a mutual release form which will allow Mr. Toma to co-sign the insurance check made out to Ruthanne and David Hults and the City for 472 Merchant Street. The City will receive #3,447.00 and the Hults will receive the balance of \$5,171.27. All in favor, motion carried 8-0.

**ADJOURNMENT.** A motion by Alderman Couch second by Alderman Huck to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 8-0. 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Pam Meyer  
City Clerk