

**MINUTES OF THE  
STE. GENEVIEVE BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
WORK SESSION  
THURSDAY – MAY 11, 2023**

The work session of the Ste. Genevieve Board of Aldermen was called to order by Mayor Brian Keim at 6:43 p.m. with the following members present:

Mayor Brian Keim	
Alderwoman Kristi Cleghorn	Alderman Gary Smith
Alderman Eric Bennett	Alderman Bob Donovan
Alderman Joe Steiger	Alderman Jeff Eydmann
Alderman Mike Raney	Alderman Joe Prince

A motion was made by Alderman Donovan, second by Alderman Smith to approve the work session agenda. Motion carried 8-0.

**BUSINESS ITEMS:**

**STORMWATER STUDY FOLLOW UP.** Dave with Cochran Engineering addressed drainage area 1 on Market Street. The board's direction was to do a dry detention basin. Cochran will continue to explore this option. After going over some options Alderman Steiger stated he would like to have more discussion on this and doing a recreational area.

Drainage Area 2 - International Subdivision. This area has about 1.5 miles of road and to put in full curb, guttering and storm sewer you're looking at a million dollars or more. Cochran Engineering needs to know what direction the board would like them to take on this.

Drainage Area 3 – Center Drive. Dave with Cochran Engineering stated that this was on MODOT's list for 2026.

Drainage Area 4 & 5. Cochran Engineering will give a final presentation on this sometime in June.

**PROGRESS PARKWAY PROPERTY – IDC DRAWINGS.** Tom Keim president of the IDC brought to the board a survey of Progress Parkway. They had the survey down to make sure this area would be suitable to build basements on. Tom Keim went over a subdivision plan with the Board of Alderman. The IDC has someone who is interested in developing part of the property. With what they would develop it would not bring the road directly through from Basler Drive to Progress Parkway. It would be a start to get something moving out here in this area. The developer is looking at putting some garden homes on here and a few duplexes.

Mr. Keim stated that any dollars that could be put toward this project would be helpful to bring costs of lots down for people to afford. Mr. Keim stated that this property was purchased by TIF Funds. The question is what the City wants to put into this project. Mr. Keim stated that the IDC has ideas for this project and are ready to take charge.

A motion was made by Alderman Smith, second by Alderman Donovan to go into closed session pursuant to Section 610.021 (2) Leasing, purchasing, or sale of real estate. Motion carried 8-0 with the following roll call vote: Alderwoman Kristi Cleghorn, Alderman Gary Smith, Alderman Bob Donovan, Alderman Eric Bennett, Alderman Jeff Eydmann, Alderman Joe Steiger, Alderman Joe Prince, and Alderman Mike Raney 8-0. 7:48 p.m.

**15% LATE FEE DISUCSSION.** After getting information from surrounding communities on the late fees on the utilities it was decided to have an ordinance brought back to the board lowering the late fee to 5%.

**SALARY STUDY.** Happy stated that CBIZ can do another survey including benefits. The purpose of this survey was to see if City Employees were overpaid or underpaid. Alderman Raney asked Police Chief Crump if the pay scale helped him. Chief Crump stated this helps because a new employee coming in knows where they will be in a year, two and so on. After discussion with the board, it was decided to make a pay scale for all employees and bring the low end up to where they should be.

**LEASE.** Happy stated that he has looked at multiple locations and he recommends to the board that the City does a lease option on 44 Plaza Drive. This will be able to hold all cubicles and the board room. An ordinance for the lease of this location will be brought to the next meeting.

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS.** None

**ADJOURNMENT.** With no further business Mayor Keim adjourned the work session at 9:15 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted by,**



**Sue Schweiss  
City Treasurer**