

**MINUTES OF THE
STE. GENEVIEVE BOARD OF ALDERMEN
REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY – MAY 8, 2025**

CALL TO ORDER. Mayor Keim called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and all stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Mayor Brian Keim	
Alderman Teddy Ross	Alderman Sam Hughey
Alderman Jeff Eydmann	Alderman Joe Prince
Alderman Joe Steiger	Alderman Bob Donovan
Alderman Amie Dobbs	

Absent: Alderman Patrick Fahey

APPROVAL OF AGENDA. A motion by Alderman Steiger to amend the consent agenda by removing all of the Resolutions for discussion, second by Alderman Eydmann. Motion carried 7-0-1 with Alderman Fahey absent.

PRESENTATION/AWARDS. None.

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT OF BOARD OF ALDERMEN. A motion by Alderman Prince, second by Alderman Donovan to nominate Alderman Steiger as President of the Board. Motion carried 7-0-1 with Alderman Fahey absent.

BOARD & COMMISSION LIAISON APPOINTMENTS. The Mayor made the following Board & Commission liaison appointments:

Ste. Gen. Housing Authority: Alderman Eydmann	Heritage: Alderman Fahey
Park: Alderwoman Dobbs	TTC: Alderman Steiger
P & Z: Alderman Prince	Channel 7: Alderman Eydmann

Health Committee: Alderman Donovan & Eydmann
Annexation Committee: Alderman Stieger & Donovan
Stormwater Committee: Alderman Steiger & Donovan
Comprehensive Plan Committee: Alderman Steiger & Donovan

PERSONAL APPEARANCE. None.

CITY ADMINISTRATORS REPORT. (See Attached Report)

STAFF REPORTS.

- AARON SMITH – TOURISM (See Attached Report)
- DAVID BOVA – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (See Attached Report)
- KEN STEIGER – FIRE (See Attached Report)

PUBLIC COMMENTS. None.

CONSENT AGENDA.

- Minutes – Board of Aldermen – Regular Meeting – April 24, 2025
- Minutes – Board of Aldermen – Work Session – April 24, 2025
- Ste. Genevieve Master Gardners are requesting a street closure for May 17 & 18, 2025 for Market Street between Main and Front for their Annual Garden Walk & Plant Sale.

A motion by Alderman Steiger, second by Alderman Eydmann to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried 7-0-1 with Alderman Fahey absent.

RESOLUTION 2025 – 36. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO THE FOLLOWING AGREEMENTS: A MASTER EQUITY LEASE AGREEMENT, A MAINTENANCE MANAGEMENT AND FLEET RENTAL AGREEMENT, COMPANY OWNED VEHICLE SERVICE AGREEMENT, AGREEMENT TO SELL CUSTOMER VEHICLES AND CONSIGNMENT AUCTION AGREEMENT WITH ENTERPRISE FLEET MANAGEMENT. A motion by Alderman Donovan, second by Alderman Prince to approve Resolution 2025-36. Motion carried 7-0-1 with Alderman Fahey absent.

RESOLUTION 2025-37. A RESOLUTION RE-APPOINTING ROSEANNE AHNE TO THE STE. GENEVIEVE TOURISM TAX COMMISSION. A motion by Alderman Steiger, second by Alderman Prince to approve Resolution 2025-37. Motion carried 7-0-1 with Alderman Fahey absent.

RESOLUTION 2025-38. A RESOLUTION RE-APPOINTING WHITNEY TUCKER TO THE STE. GENEVIEVE TOURISM TAX COMMISSION. A motion by Alderman Steiger, second by Alderman Eydmann to approve Resolution 2025-38. Motion carried 7-0-1 with Alderman Fahey absent.

OLD BUSINESS.

BILL NO. 4670. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF STE. GENEVIEVE, MISSOURI, AMENDING MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 715 USER CHARGE SYSTEMS; SPECIFICALLY, SECTION 715.040 USER CHARGE RATES SUBSECTIONS A. & B. BY REVISING THE WATER USE CHARGES. 2ND READING. A motion by Alderman Steiger, second by Alderman Prince, Bill No. 4670 was placed on its second and final reading, read by title only, considered, and passed by a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Alderman Joe Steiger, Alderman Teddy Ross, Alderwoman Amie Dobbs, Alderman Sam Hughey, Alderman Joe Prince and Alderman Jeff Eydmann. Nays: Alderman Bob

Donovan Absent: Alderman Parick Fahey, Motion carried 6-1-1 Thereupon Bill No. 4670 was declared Ordinance No. 4592 signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

BILL NO. 4671. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF STE. GENEVIEVE, MISSOURI, AMENDING MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 715 USER CHARGE SYSTEMS; SPECIFICALLY, SECTION 715.140 SEWER CHARGES AND BILLING, SUBSECTION "D" BY REVISING THE SEWER USE CHARGES. 2ND READING. A motion by Alderman Steiger, second by Alderman Eydmann, Bill No. 4671 was placed on its second and final reading, read by title only, considered, and passed by a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Alderman Joe Steiger, Alderman Teddy Ross, Alderwoman Amie Dobbs, Alderman Sam Hughey, Alderman Joe Prince and Alderman Jeff Eydmann. Nays: Alderman Bob Donovan Absent: Alderman Parick Fahey, Motion carried 6-1-1 Thereupon Bill No. 4671 was declared Ordinance No. 4593 signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

BILL NO. 4673. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF STE. GENEVIEVE MUNICIPAL CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 700 – UTILITIES – ARTICLE II – CHARGES & BILLING WATERWORKS SYSTEMS - SECTION 700.070 & 700.090 AS SET FORTH BELOW. 2ND READING. A motion by Alderman Steiger, second by Alderman Eydmann, Bill No. 4673 was placed on its second and final reading, read by title only, considered, and passed by a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Alderman Joe Steiger, Alderman Teddy Ross, Alderwoman Amie Dobbs, Alderman Sam Hughey, Alderman Joe Prince and Alderman Jeff Eydmann. Nays: Alderman Bob Donovan Absent: Alderman Parick Fahey, Motion carried 6-1-1 Thereupon Bill No. 4673 was declared Ordinance No. 4594 signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

NEW BUSINESS.

APPROVAL OF THE 2025 ANNUAL LIQUOR LICENSES AS FOLLOWS:

El San Felipe Mexican Grill 21454 Hwy 32	The Anvil Saloon 46 S. Third Street	Café Genevieve 950 Ste. Gen. Drive
Old Brick Restaurant 90 S. Third Street	The Orris/Sirros 265 Merchant Street	PJ's at the Mall 100 Front Street
The Point 797 Ste. Gen. Drive	Huasteca Potosina Mexican 634 Ste. Gen. Drive	Oliver's 109 N. Main Street
Dannie's Sports Tavern 299 Merchant Street	American Custard Company 1055 Progress Parkway	C-Barn 599 Ste. Gen. Drive
Country Mart 180 & 130 Plaza Drive	Oberle Meats 21529 State Hwy 32	Casey's General Store 21998 State Hwy 32
Rhodes 101 Stops 598 Ste. Gen. Drive	Harold's Famous Bee Company 234 Market Street	Dollar General 21840 State Hwy 32

Save-A-Lot
11306 Save-A-Lot Drive

Brix Urban Winery & Market
245 Merchant Street

Ste. Genevieve Parish
20 Fourth Street

Gibson's Audubon's LLC
9 N. Main Street

Pat's Pastries
123 Merchant Street Suite A

A motion by Alderman Steiger, second by Alderman Donovan to approve the 2025 Annual liquor licenses. Motion carried 7-0-1 with Alderman Fahey absent.

OTHER BUSINESS.

MAYOR/BOARD OF ALDERMEN COMMUNICATION.

Alderman Ross & Alderman Steiger both voiced concerns regarding the pothole issues all over town and addressed Alliance on when they will be fixed asking for a timeline. Alderman Ross also would like to be kept informed on City issues so he knows what is going on when his constituents ask him questions. Happy agreed to send a summary of the meeting that is held every Monday afternoon with Alliance to help keep the Aldermen in the loop of what Alliance is doing.

Alderwoman Dobbs asked about the railing getting replaced along the walkway by the creek on Third Street.

Alderman Donovan stated he would like to be as involved as possible when the 9th Street Rehab Project begins.

ADJOURNMENT. With no further business Mayor Keim adjourned the meeting at 7:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,


Pam Meyer
City Clerk

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

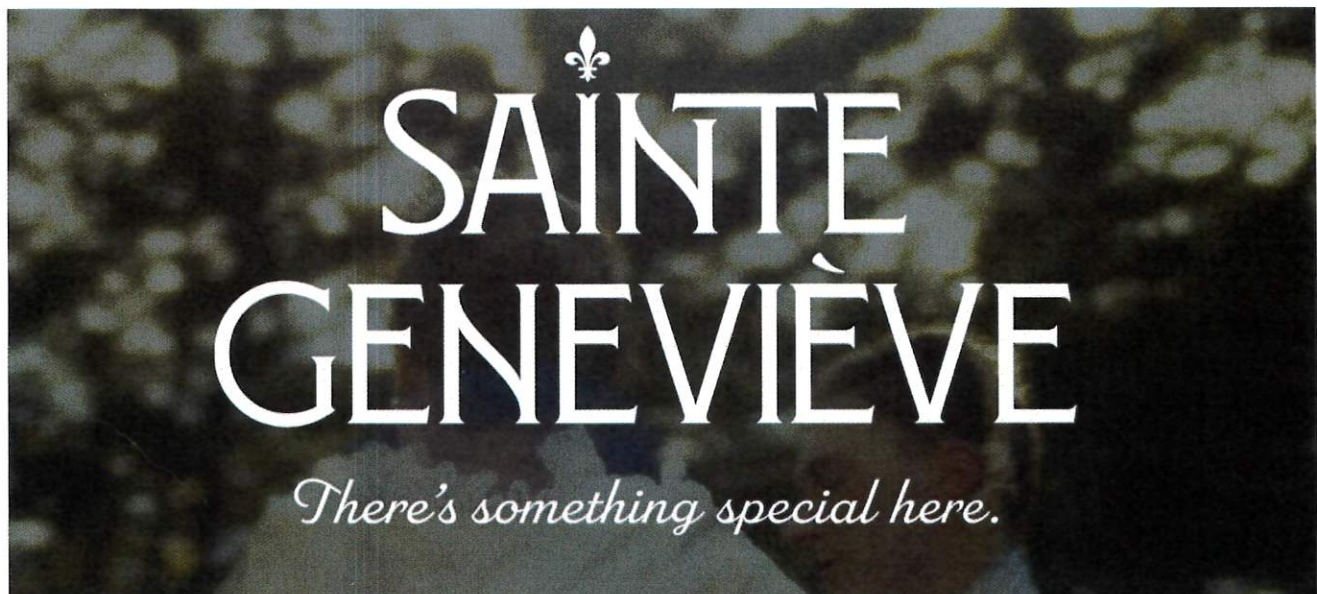
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1. We met with employees Wednesday with Sonus Benefits to review the new health care deductibles and how they will work. We will see a premium savings compared to the increase that was going to occur to our current plans but it will require more work on the employee part.

2. I will be out of the office next Thursday, 5/15, for a senior officials workshop in Perryville.
3. Prop S Concrete and Asphalt paving will begin Monday, June 2, 2025, weather permitting. We will post the schedule as soon as we get it from the contractors.
4. I will be attending the Southeast Regional MML meeting on Tuesday, May 20, in Sikeston.
5. The Housing Committee met and submitted some alternatives to McBride for the housing agreement. We are awaiting their response and we hope to have a draft agreement at the May 22 meeting.
6. Lakenan is submitting our liability/casualty insurance to a number of companies to see if our rates from Tokio Marine – HCC are good. We will be finishing filling out forms this week and see what the responses hold. We have been approached by other broker agencies interested in working for the city and we will discuss after our renewal on July 1.

Tourism Report

Aaron Smith | [May 8, 2025](#)



The News

Amoureux-Bauvais House Celebration

- The date is set for May 23rd - exciting to have a major asset back on the market
- NPS going to self-guided tours
- The celebration will be special - first showing of Pelagie X - short documentary on Pelagie Amoureux by 2X Academy Award Winning Breakwater Studios.

Grant Accepted by MO Main Street Connection

- Received word on Monday that our grant app was accepted
- Awaiting next steps

French Heritage Corridor Conference

- I sat on a panel at Wash U in crowd of 150 people
- 60 people came down for bus tour. People who were passionate to see our town
- Have some commitment from someone who will help us get a sister city in Normandy
- Received some guidance on how we can save ferry

Saving the Ferry

- From a tourism perspective, it's one of our greatest assets
- 70% of users are tourists - might be different if it ran all week. Must keep it going
- Port Authority doesn't think there's a lot of support from Illinois but there is
- Senator Terry Bryant who represents Randolph has a bill to give Modoc Ferry \$250k per year
- Illinois legislature just made March French Heritage Month. I think we can leverage that.



Community Development May 2025 Staff Report 4/8/25 – 5/5/25

Historic Preservation – Heritage Commission

- Met 4/21 – Approved 1 COA, 1 Administrative COAs & 5 Attestations
- Next meeting – 5/19
- 2024 HP grant application – mobile app walking tour - received agreement from SHPO

Building Department / Code Enforcement

- Occupancy Permits / Inspections 18
- Building Permits Issued 13 (9 roof permits)
- Demolition Permits 1
- Sign Permits 0
- Chicken Permits 1
- Special Use Permits 0
- Sidewalks – sidewalk review in Spring 2025

Comprehensive Plan

- Annexation Open House held 4/17 – committee to discuss next steps
- Tentative Comp Plan Committee next meeting – May/June '25

Planning & Zoning

- No meeting in May
- Next scheduled meeting – 6/5

City / County Info

- Assistance with Tourism / EcDev – Provided 5k in '23 & '24, discussion of poss. adding lodging tax to 2024 ballot – ballot language not submitted – looking at April 2025 election / discussion of forming a CVB type organization with County & Chamber / County partnered with City for Parkland REDI membership for 2024/ statute must be passed to raise lodging tax – bill will be introduced in Mo. House in 2025 session/ Bill in committee – HB149 voted Do Pass out of committee on 4/24
- Progress Parkway property – county provided assistance to IDC for infrastructure
- FLAP Grant (N 4th Street bridge) – remains on track for 2025 / cost has risen to approximately 950k (originally 750k) now & county has asked for assistance from city / engineering currently occurring – tentative construction spring 2026
- TAP Grant (Hwy 61 sidewalk) – County app. approved – on track for 2026
- 911 Tax – Board formed (includes City officer) – payments from City & Amb. Dist. to continue until new infrastructure installed and paid; potentially 4 – 5 years (2027-28); City portion of dispatching services lowered in FY2025

- Improvements to Ferry Landing – USCOE will not require permits and have given permission to move forward; MLC has responded they have no issue with the project. UP has now given initial approval to move forward also. Drafting MOU for UP & MLC – UP has declined MOU and will draft their own. Potential buyer's offer was declined. UP has sent a lease application but no agreement on cost yet. Lease application submitted 3/3/25. UP will not accept a zero-dollar lease; minimum is \$10,000 annual lease.
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Board of Adjustment

- Nothing new to report

Floodplain Management

- Current long range forecasts show 66% chance of Minor Flooding in May-Jun-Jul.
- Current long range forecasts show 28% chance of Moderate Flooding in May-Jun-Jul.
- Current long range forecasts also show 18% chance of Major flooding in May-Jun-Jul.
- Current river stage (5/5) is 23.25'; expected to fall to 19' by end of week.
- Ferry is currently operating Fri – Sun.

Property Maintenance

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| • Nuisance Property Issues | 5 |
| • Vegetation Nuisance Issues | 12 |
| • Code Violation Issues | 2 |
| • Sidewalk Issues | 2 |

Ste. Genevieve Fire Department

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Monthly Operations Report

Date: **April 2025**

Calls for Assistance:

- SGFD responded to **27** emergency calls in **April**.
 - The total for this year is **96** calls, **up 2** calls from last year.
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Staffing:

- SGFD roster is down **3**. Due to the fireman being volunteer, openings will occur.
- Volunteers are still needed to form an applicant list, contact any SGFD firefighter if interested

Training: (FYI, all monthly training is done after hours or on weekends)

- **Monthly Training was Aerial Ops and Advancing Hose Lines**
- **Preplan Training was Antique Mall.**
- **3 are close to completing Fire Fighter 1 & 2. They are preparing for State Certification Testing**
- **3 Attended University of Mo certified Extrication Class**
- **3 Attended FDIC in Indianapolis**

Meetings Attended

Bi County Chiefs Meeting – **Attended**
City Council Meeting – **Attended**
Ozark Fire Assoc. Meeting – **Attended**
Ste Gen County Fire District meeting – **Attended**

Technical Rescue: (FYI, all Tech Rescue training is done after hours or on weekends in addition to regular monthly training)

- Nothing to report

Apparatus & Equipment Maintenance:

- Nothing big to report – Normal Maintenance work

Fire Radio

- St Francis County 911 radio survey – Radio improvements project moving forward with 2025 anticipated completion.

Grants

ARP Grant

2024

This is a 50% match which can be in the form of money or “in kind match”. Will only require additional funding of approximately \$6,000.00 that would be available from the rural fire fund. The hose (about half of what was ordered has arrived), delivery date for the rest in the next couple of weeks.

Firehouse Subs Grant

In the process of gathering information to apply for Firehouse Subs Foundation grant. Started the process. Application opens January 9th. Will be applying for auto extrication equipment. Grant program closed in 24 hours of opening was not able to submit the request. Will attempt again in April. Application Submitted

County Firefighters Assn.:

- Setting a date for a Flammable Liquids class **August 11 & 12**
- Setting a date for Railroad Safety Class

Local & State Mutual Aid:

- Nothing to report

Hydrants

- **Flow testing and painting?**
- **Requested that the hydrant at Parkwood and 61 be raised**
- **Requested that the hydrant at South Fourth and Cedar be raised**
- **Approved the removal of out of service hydrant at 8th and Market – was supposed to be moved to 7th and Market. 8th street removed-7th not installed.**

Misc.

Hosted a Drug Take back Day

2 of our firefighters were honored by the Chamber of Commerce. Retired Asst Chief Bob Bonnell and Fire fighter Charlie Wibbenmeyer were presented the “Community Champion Award” for over 90 years of combined service.

KnoxBox Program

Boxes Approved, shipped and Waiting for installs

Ste. Genevieve Do It Center (still waiting for warehouse on Chadwell)

Mid State Wood Products for Trautman Building

Ste Genevieve Early Childhood Center

Ste Genevieve Elementary School

Heavenly Hair

Installed: Corey – Main Street Park Building