

MINUTES OF THE
STE. GENEVIEVE BOARD OF ALDERMEN
WORK SESSION
October 22, 2020

The work session of the Ste. Genevieve Board of Aldermen was called to order at 6:50 p.m. with Alderman Smith absent.

A motion by Alderman Prince, second by Alderman Jokerst to approve the work session agenda. Motion carried 7-0-1 with Alderman Smith Absent.

Water/Sewer Rates - City Administrator Welch went over the proposed water/sewer rates for this fiscal year. The staff recommends the 2 % increase for both water and sewer rates. A public hearing will need to be held to increase the rates and then an ordinance for the board to pass in December for 1st and 2nd reading. Alderman Raney would like for us to do what we can to get the maximum public participation at the hearing.

Glenda St. Vacate - City Administrator Welch went over the responses that he received from property owners in this area. Out of the 14 property owners we received a total of 8 responses, 4 yes and 4 no. Teddy Ross - 1145 Valle Spring Trail addressed the board with his concerns of why we would want to get rid of property. Mr. Ross talked about the importance of trails in our community and how this area could potentially be one. Joe Steiger - 549 Glenda Street addressed the board with his concerns of the city not knowing what the future holds. Mr. Steiger stated that one of the school coaches talked about this being a trail for students to run along instead of running up and down Fourth Street. It was also mentioned that the city does a lease on this property like we do on the flood buy-out. Alderwoman Armbruster commented that the city should connect the areas together.

City Contractor Trash Pickup. - City Administrator Welch went over a survey that he had put together to see how residents felt on the city having one trash hauler. The advantages of the city franchising would be less large truck traffic on the city streets if we did this. We could possibly offer recycling, bulk pickup, and yard waste pickup. The disadvantages would be that all family residences would have to take part in the service. Alderwoman Armbruster expressed her concerns with the single homeowner that doesn't have a lot of trash or on fixed incomes. Alderman Prince stated he was against this because there would be no competition to the trash hauler for two years. After some discussion it was decided that the board would not pursue this process.

With no further business the work session was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,



Sue Schweiss
City Treasurer