

THE COUNTY COMMISSION  
OF  
STONE COUNTY, MISSOURI  
January 06, 2026

STATE OF MISSOURI |  
COUNTY OF STONE |

Be it remembered that a session of the County Commission of Stone County was held in the courthouse at Galena, on January 06, 2026. Those in attendance today were Presiding Commissioner Gordon Weathers, Southern Commissioner Hank Smythe and Northern Commissioner Wayne Blades.

**9:00 AM**

Review 2026 Budget Requests

**10:00 AM**

Presiding Commissioner Gordon Weather opened the meeting with a pledge of allegiance. Following the pledge, State Representative Burt Whaley led the meeting in prayer. Those that were in attendance were: State Representative Burt Whaley and Leah Whaley; Ray Cox County Counsel William McCullah; Denise Dickens, Stone County Clerk and Amanda Parton, Stone County Clerk's Office.

**Approval of Commission Minutes**

The matter to approve the minutes for Stone County Commission meetings dated December 30, 2025, was brought to decision by a roll call vote: Weathers – yes; Smythe – yes; Blades – yes. Minutes ordered approved.

**Receive petition to vacate Waldon Spring Subdivision**

No petition received. Discussion only.

**Receive petition to vacate platted easement in Whispering Oaks Subdivision**

No one with Whispering Oaks Subdivision was present for the meeting.

**Appoint Board of Adjustment Applicants**

The Commission reviewed the four (4) applications from, Kevin Wilson, David Cash, Alexander Wilkerson and Cindy Hodges for the Planning and Zoning Board of Adjustment board members for two open positions.

After reviewing the four (4) applications the matter to appoint Alexander Wilkerson to the Planning and Zoning Board of Adjustments was brought to a decision by a roll call vote: Blades – yes; Smythe – no; Weathers – yes.

After reviewing the four (4) applications the matter to appoint Kevin Wilson to the Planning and Zoning Board of Adjustments was brought to a decision by a roll call vote: Blades – yes; Smythe – yes; Weathers – yes.

### **Appoint Disability Board applicants**

The Commission reviewed the three (3) applications from Dawne Gardner, Laura Fehrenbach, and Ben Bonner for the Disability Board open positions.

After reviewing the applications, the matter to appoint Laura Fehrenbach to the Stone County Developmental Disability Board for a three-year term ending 12-31-2028 was brought to a decision by a roll call vote: Blades – yes; Smythe – yes; Weathers – yes.

After reviewing the applications, the matter to appoint Dawne Gardener to the Stone County Developmental Disability Board for a three-year term ending 12-31-2028 was brought to a decision by a roll call vote: Blades – yes; Smythe – yes; Weathers – yes.

After reviewing the applications, the matter to reappoint Ben Bonner to the Stone County Developmental Disability Board for a three (3) year term ending 12-31-2028 was brought to a decision by a roll call vote: Blades – yes; Smythe – yes; Weathers – yes.

### **Public Time:**

Time was extended to anyone who wanted to speak to the commission at this time.

### **Announcements**

### **Recess Time: 10:33 AM**

**Adjournment:** The adjournment of the Stone County Commission meeting was brought to decision by roll call vote: Blades – yes; Smythe-yes; Weathers – yes. Meeting adjourned at 2:00PM