

THE COUNTY COMMISSION
OF
STONE COUNTY, MISSOURI
January 12, 2021

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 12, 2021. Those in attendance today were Presiding Commissioner Mark Maples, Southern Commissioner Hank Smythe and Northern Commissioner Wayne Blades.

Morning Session:

9:00 AM – 10:00 AM

Commission Work Session – General Discussion with no decisions & Review budget.

10:00 AM

Presiding Commissioner Mark Maples & Denise Dickens opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance to the flag, following the pledge Northern Commissioner Wayne Blades lead the prayer. Those present for this meeting today are as follows: Denise Dickens, Commission Administrative Assistant; Amanda Parton Stone County Clerk's office & County Counsel William McCullah.

Approval of Commission Minutes

The matter to approve the minutes for Stone County Commission meeting dated January 7, 2021 was brought to decision by a roll call vote: Smythe – yes; Maples – yes; Blades – yes. Minutes ordered approved.

Order Adopting a Code of Ethics

County Counsel William McCullah presented the Commission an Order adopting a Code of Ethics which governs conflicts of interest and substantial interest for certain county officers and employees. Per Revised Missouri State Statute Chapter 105, the Order needs to be reviewed and readopted every two years.

The matter to adopt and sign an Order adopting a Code of Ethics was brought to decision by a roll call vote: Smythe – yes; Maples – yes; Blades – yes. Matter carried, Order approved and signed.



IN THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF STONE COUNTY, MISSOURI

AN ORDER ADOPTING A CODE OF ETHICS TO
ESTABLISH A PROCEDURE TO DISCLOSE
CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND SUBSTANTIAL INTERESTS FOR
CERTAIN COUNTY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

Whereas, Chapter 105 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri governs conflicts of interest and substantial interest for government officers and employees; and

Whereas, Section 105.485 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri permits a political subdivision to adopt an ordinance establishing a procedure to disclose conflicts of interest and substantial interests for certain county officers and employees; and

Whereas, on this Commission has on several occasions adopted and re-adopted a code of ethics establishing a procedure to disclose conflicts of interest and substantial interests for certain county officers and employees; and

Whereas, Section 105.485 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri requires that a political subdivision adopt such an ordinance biennially;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Declaration of Policy. The proper operation of government requires that public officials and employees be independent, impartial and responsible to the people; that government decisions and policy be made in the proper channels of the governmental structure; that public office not be used for personal gain; and that the public have confidence in the integrity of its government. In recognition of these goals, there is hereby established a procedure for disclosure by certain officials and employees of private financial or other interests in matters affecting the County.

Section 2. Conflicts of Interest.

- All elected and appointed officials as well as employees of a political subdivision must comply with section 105.484 of Missouri Revised Statutes on conflicts of interest as well as any other state law governing official conduct.
- Any member of the governing body of a political subdivision who has a "substantial or private interest" in any measure, bill, order or ordinance

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partner or participant; the name and address of each partner or co participant for each partnership or joint venture unless such names and addresses are filed by the partnership or joint venture with the secretary of state; the name, address and general nature of the business conducted of any closely held corporation or limited partnership in which the person owned ten percent or more of any class of the outstanding stock or limited partnership units; and the name of any publicly traded corporation or limited partnership that is listed on a regulated stock exchange or automated quotation system in which the person owned two percent or more of any class of outstanding stock, limited partnership units or other equity interests;

- The name and address of each corporation for which such person served in the capacity of a director, officer or receiver.

Section 4. Filing of Reports.

- The financial interest statements shall be filed at the following times, but no person is required to file more than one financial interest statement in any calendar year:
 - Every person required to file a financial interest statement shall file the statement annually not later than May 1 and the statement shall cover the calendar year ending the immediately preceding December 31; provided that any person required to report may supplement the financial interest statement to report additional interests acquired after December 31 of the covered year until the date of filing of the financial interest statement.
 - Each person appointed to office shall file the statement within thirty days of such appointment or employment covering the calendar year ending the previous December 31.
 - Every candidate required to file a personal financial disclosure statement shall file no later than fourteen days after the close of filing at which the candidate seeks nomination or election or nomination by caucus. The time period of this statement shall cover the twelve months prior to the closing date of filing for candidacy.
- Financial disclosure reports giving the financial information required in Section 3 shall be filed with the local political subdivision and with the Missouri Ethics Commission. The reports shall be available for public inspection and copying during normal business hours.

Section 5. Filing of Ordinance. A certified copy of this order shall be sent within ten days of its adoption to the Missouri Ethics Commission.

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proposed or pending before such governing body must disclose that interest to the secretary or clerk of such body and such disclosure shall be recorded in the appropriate journal of the governing body. Substantial or private interest is defined as ownership by the individual, his spouse, or his dependent children, whether singularly or collectively, directly or indirectly of: (1) 10% or more of any business entity; or (2) an interest having a value of \$10,000 or more; or (3) the receipt of a salary, gratuity, or other compensation or remuneration of \$5,000 or more, per year from any individual, partnership, organization, or association within any calendar year.

Section 3. Disclosure Reports. The County's Presiding Commissioner (being the County's chief administrative officer), the Clerk of the County Commission (being the County's chief purchasing officer) shall disclose the following information by May 1, or the appropriate deadline as referenced in Section 105.487, RSMo, if any such transactions occurred during the previous calendar year:

- For such person, and all persons within the first degree of consanguinity or affinity of such person, the date and the identities of the parties to each transaction with a total value in excess of five hundred dollars, if any, that such person had with the political subdivision, other than compensation received as an employee or payment of any tax, fee or penalty due to the political subdivision, and other than transfers for no consideration to the political subdivision.
- The date and the identities of the parties to each transaction known to the person with a total value in excess of five hundred dollars, if any, that any business entity in which such person had a substantial interest, had with the political subdivision, other than payment of any tax, fee or penalty due to the political subdivision or transactions involving payment for providing utility service to the political subdivision, and other than transfers for no consideration to the political subdivision.
- Each candidate for the offices of the County's Presiding Commissioner (being the County's chief administrative officer), the Clerk of the County Commission (being the County's chief purchasing officer) shall disclose by May 1, or the appropriate deadline as referenced in Section 105.487, RSMo, the following information for the previous calendar year:

- The name and address of each of the employers of such person from whom income of one thousand dollars or more was received during the year covered by the statement;
- The name and address of each sole proprietorship that he owned; the name, address and the general nature of the business conducted of each general partnership and joint venture in which he was a

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Section 6. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage and approval and shall remain in effect until amended, superseded, or repealed.

Done at the Courthouse in Galena, Missouri on January 12 2021.

COUNTY COMMISSION OF
STONE COUNTY, MISSOURI

MARK W. MAPLES
PRESIDING COMMISSIONER

HANK SMYTHE
COMMISSIONER

WAYNE BLADES
COMMISSIONER

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Erroneous Tax Payments

CERTIFIED COPY OF ORDER
STATE OF MISSOURI
County of Stone

In the County Commission, of said County, on the 6th day of January 2021, The following, among other proceedings, were had:

IN THE MATTER OF ERRONEOUS
PAYMENT OF TAXES RECEIVED
BY THE COLLECTOR OF REVENUE:

It is therefore ordered by the Stone County Commission that the Stone County Treasurer:
Kristi Stephens Refund the following:

TAX YEAR
2020

Leath, Robert D & Cheryl A Total Tax: \$175.69

STONE COUNTY COMMISSION


Mark Maples, Presiding Commissioner


Hank Smythe, Southern Commissioner


Wayne Blades, Northern Commissioner



STATE OF MISSOURI)
COUNTY OF STONE) I, Cindy Elmore, Clerk of the County Commission,

In and for said County, hereby certify the above and foregoing to be a true copy of the Proceedings of our said County Commission, on the day and year above written, as the same appear of record in my office in Galena, Missouri.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal this, the 6th day of January 2021 of said Court, at office in Galena, Mo.


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TAX YEAR
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Hackhart Brothers Inc. Total Tax: \$11.71

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Review 2021 Budget Requests

2021 Budget Meetings

January 19, 2021 - 2021 informal budget hearing is scheduled for 10:00 AM

January 21, 2021 - 2021 formal budget hearing is scheduled for 10:00 AM

All budget hearings will be held on the third floor of the Historic Stone County Courthouse. The public is invited to attend.

Announcements:

12:30 The County Commission will meet at Cascade Subdivision to review petition to vacate.

Recess: 10:06

Public Time:

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

Adjournment:

The adjournment of the Stone County Commission meeting was brought to decision by roll call vote: Smythe – yes; Maples – yes; Blades – yes. Meeting adjourned at 11:30.