

THE COUNTY COMMISSION  
OF  
STONE COUNTY, MISSOURI  
February 17, 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 February 17, 2026. Those in attendance today were Presiding Commissioner Gordon Weathers, Southern Commissioner Hank Smythe (absent) and Northern Commissioner Wayne Blades.

**9:00 AM**

Work session

**10:00 AM**

Presiding Commissioner Gordon Weather opened the meeting with a pledge of allegiance. Following the pledge Northern Commissioner Wayne Blades led the meeting in prayer. Those that were in attendance were: Casey Chastain, Higginbotham Insurance; County Counsel William McCullah and Denise Dickens, Stone County Clerk.

**Approval of Commission Minutes**

The matter to approve the minutes for Stone County Commission meetings dated February 12, 2026, was brought to decision by a roll call vote: Weathers – yes; Smythe – absent; Blades – yes. Minutes ordered approved.

**Higginbotham Insurance – Discuss Workers’ Compensation Insurance**

Casey Chastain with Higginbotham Insurance came before the Commission to give an update on Workers’ Compensation Insurance. Discussion Only.

**Public Time:**

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

**Announcements**

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