

THE COUNTY COMMISSION
OF
STONE COUNTY, MISSOURI
July 2, 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 July 2, 2026. Those in attendance today were Presiding Commissioner Gordon Weathers, Southern Commissioner Hank Smythe and Northern Commissioner Wayne Blades.

10:00 AM

Presiding Commissioner Gordon Weathers opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Those that were in attendance for the meeting in person were: Sheriff Doug Rader, Chief Tim Gideon, Captain Rob Hatfield, Captain Matt Cornelison, Stone County Sheriff's Office; William McCullah, County Counsel; Amanda Parton, Stone County Clerk's Office and Denise Dickens, Stone County Clerk.

Approval of Commission Minutes

The matter to approve the minutes for Stone County Commission meeting dated June 30, 2026, was brought to decision by a roll call vote: Weathers – yes; Smythe – yes; Blades – yes. Minutes ordered approved.

Schedule of Bills - 1

Presiding Commissioner Gordon Weathers presented a schedule of bills that have been submitted to the County Commission from the County Clerk's office in the amount of \$59,819.81. This matter to accept the bills for payment was brought to a decision by a roll call vote: Smythe – yes; Blades -yes; Weathers – yes. Order to pay carried.

New initiative for Immigration and Custom Enforcement (ICE)

Captain Rob Hatfield came before the Commission to discuss the new initiative for Unaccompanied Alien Child Verification. Stone County Law Enforcement will attempt to locate and conduct welfare checks on Unaccompanied Alien Children (UAC), utilizing the 287(g) program alongside state and local law enforcement to combat human trafficking and ensure minor well-being.

Captain Hatfield also discussed having two (2) detectives assigned as task force officers with Homeland Security. The matter approved Stone County Sheriff's Office to enter into an agreement

with Immigration and Custom Enforcement and Homeland Security was brought to a decision by a roll call vote: Blades - yes; Smythe – yes; Weathers – yes.

Discuss Opioid Committee Recommendations

The County Commission reviewed the proposals presented by the Opioid Committee. Opioid Committee recommended to the Stone County Commission the following proposals:

- Stone County Recovery Center - \$36,315.00
- Simmering Center by New Beginnings Sanctuary - \$14,839.40

The matter to approve the recommendations from the Opioid Committee was brought to a decision by a roll call vote: Blades – yes; Smythe – yes; Weathers – yes. matter carried.

Award ECC Bid

The matter to award the bid for the Stone County Jail intercom wiring to ECC with 50% down for they arrive on site and the other 50% paid on completion with the total being paid \$13,015.11. The matter to accept the terms from ECC was brought to a decision by a roll call vote: Blades – yes; Smythe – yes; Weathers – yes. matter carried.

Recess time: 10:15 AM

Announcements:

The Stone County Courthouse will be closed Friday July 3, 2026, in observation of the Fourth of July Holiday.

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: Blades – yes; Smythe-yes; Weathers – yes. Meeting adjourned at 12:00 PM