

THE COUNTY COMMISSION
OF
STONE COUNTY, MISSOURI

December 31, 2024

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COUNTY OF STONE |

Be it remembered that a session of the County Commission of Stone County was held in the courthouse at Galena, on December 31, 2024. Those in attendance today were Presiding Commissioner Mark Maples, Southern Commissioner Hank Smythe and Northern Commissioner Wayne Blades.

Morning session

10:00 AM

Presiding Commissioner Mark Maples opened the meeting with a pledge of allegiance. Following the pledge, Burt Whaley led the meeting in prayer. Those that were in attendance were Chief Tim Gideon, Shawn McKoy, Deputy Clint Caperton, Captain Matt Cornelison, Sheriff Doug Rader, Detective Chris Kozisek, Captain Randall Bennett – Stone County Sheriff's Office; Sammie Thompson, Deana Price; Angel Branstetter – Planning and Zoning; Anna Burk – Collector; Kristi Stephens - Treasurer; Dianne Argo, Kerry Dishman - Recorder's office; Amy Larson – Recorder; Prosecuting Attorney Wes Weber and Cooper Sinkins; Burt Whaley; William McCullah, County Council; Stone County Clerk, Denise Dickens 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 26, 2024, was brought to decision by a roll call vote: Smythe – yes; Maples – yes; Blades – yes. Minutes ordered approved.

Schedule of Bills - 1

Presiding Commissioner Mark Maples presented a schedule of bills that have been submitted to the County Commission from the County Clerk's office in the amount of \$197,908.35. This matter to accept the bills for payment was brought to a decision by a roll call vote: Smythe – yes; Blades - yes; Maples – yes. Order to pay carried.

Schedule of Bills - 2

Presiding Commissioner Mark Maples presented a schedule of bills that have been submitted to the County Commission from the County Clerk's office in the amount of \$78,161.63. This matter to accept the bills for payment was brought to a decision by a roll call vote: Smythe – yes; Blades - yes; Maples – yes. Order to pay carried.

Discuss LAGERS Retirement

After several meetings and much discussion, the County Commission voted to adopt LAGERS retirement for county employees. The matter to adopt LAGERS retirement for county employees was brought to a decision by roll call vote: Blades – yes; Smythe – yes; Maples – yes. LAGERS accepted.

The matter to accept LAGERS retirement at the Benefit Program L12 with employee's contribution 2% (two percent) was brought to a decision by roll call vote: Blades – yes; Smythe – yes; Maples – yes.

Discuss building plans for Recorders, Planning and Zoning, and Assessor's Offices

After much discussion the matter of constructing a building. This building will house the Recorder, Planning and Zoning and Assessor's Offices. The matter to construct the new building and put out to bid for an architect was brought to a decision by roll call vote: Blades – yes; Smythe – yes; Maples – yes.

Announcement

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; Maples- yes. Meeting adjourned at 10:36 AM