

Stone County Emergency Services

105 Stonebridge Pkwy

Branson West Mo 65737

Board Meeting Minutes

October 23, 2025

5:30pm

Call To Order

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Larry Huffman at 5:33pm

Attendance

Board Members Present: Dr. Larry Huffman, Ron Thomas, Carrie Stephens, Collin Brannan, Alan Furman

Staff Present: Keith Kinnard, Christine Kessler, Kirk Ballard, Dani Givens

Others Present: Blake Pace

102-Agenda

A motion to approve the October 23, 2025 agenda was made by Carrie Stephens and seconded by Collin Brannan.

All Members present approved and motion was passed.

103- Open/ Closed Session Minutes

A motion to approve the open/ closed session minutes of the meeting held on September 25, 2025 was made by Carrie Stephens and seconded by Alan Furman.

All members present approved and motion was passed.

104/105- Treasurer Report/Approval of October Bills & Payments

Dr. Larry Huffman kept the treasurer's report short due to the agenda and reported that tax revenue was slightly lower this month.

A motion to approve the Treasurer's report was made by Alan Furman and seconded by Carrie Stephens.

All members present approved and motion was passed.

A motion to approve the October bills and payments was made by Alan Furman and seconded by Carrie Stephens.

All members present approved and motion was passed.

Members of the Public

200- Old Business

201 – LAGERS Benefit

There was a lot of discussion about the LAGERS Benefit and how they wanted to move forward.

A motion to approve changing the LAGERS benefit to the L-6 with 2% employee contribution was made by Alan Furman and seconded by Carrie Stephens.

Furman AYE

Stephens AYE

Thomas AYE

Brannan NO

Huffman NO

Motion was passed.

202 – Policy 113: Complaints and Grievances Policy

A motion to table the complaints and grievances policy until January was made by Ron Thomas and seconded by Collin Brannan.

All members present approved and motion was passed.

300- New Business

301 – 2024 Audit

Blake Pace attended the meeting to present the 2024 audit. He stated that the board received the clean opinion, which is the highest opinion you can receive. This means that it is within federal requirements and in the correct format. Financial highlights of the year include having a really good net profit and staying within the budget for the fiscal year. Blake recommends to use Quickbooks to keep track of finances to help prevent fraud or error. There were questions from board members that were answered, including that they can add a 'restricted for' line that says how much money is set aside for the future building.

The board would like to know what the cost of the next audit would be and to see if they would give a bid for the next 3 or 5 years.

A motion to accept the auditors report was made by Carrie Stephens and seconded by Alan Furman.

All members present approved and motion was passed,

302 – CAD Proposal

Keith spoke about our current Caliber CAD and how they are sending issues to engineering instead of resolving them. He stated that we need to change CADs now due to upcoming program changes in 2026 including Arc map's shelf-life being over and the new program unable to communicate with our current CAD. The program we are using for mapping is going away completely in mid-2026. We are also having issues with our PCs overheating and being past warranty. They are not compatible to upgrade and will not receive patches. To switch CADs, we will need to have both CADs running simultaneously in order to get everything moved over to switch. ID Networks offers a 5 year purchasing option with 0% financing. Keith is wanting to purchase the CAD from ID Networks and purchase new hardware somewhere else. Estimated transition time is about 4 months to have the new CAD up and running.

A motion to enter the contract with ID Networks for the CAD and not to exceed \$535,439 for the total including hardware was made by Ron Thomas and seconded by Carrie Stephens.

All members present approved and motion was passed,

400- Closed Session

A motion to go into closed session for personnel reasons at 8:29pm was made by Carrie Stephens and seconded by Collin Brannan.

All members present approved and the motion was passed.

Return to Regular Session

A motion to return to regular session at 8:37pm was made by Carrie Stephens and seconded by Alan Furman.

All members present approved and motion was passed,

500- Directors Report

- Had a meeting with some land options; continuing to meet and discuss options
- Went to Polk County 911 with Ron, Alan, and Jen, the tour was very informative
- Going to try to tour Barry and Lawrence County 911 with the board members if they want to go in the next few weeks

600- Comments from the Floor

700- Announcement of Next Board Meeting

November 20, 2025 at 5:30pm

Announcement made by: Dr. Larry Huffman

800- Motion to Adjourn

A motion to adjourn at 8:38pm was made by Carrie Stephens and seconded by Collin Brannan.

All members present approved and the motion passed.