

Stafford County Commissioners
Minutes of Meeting
March 25, 2026

The Stafford County Board of County Commissioners met on Wednesday, March 25, 2026, in the Commission Room in the Annex. Chairman Garner called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Present: Bryce Garner, Todd Wycoff, and Jim Stanford.

Carl Miller, Planning & Zoning, presented two resolutions for approval. Resolution 2026-23 to modify the fee schedule for charges of proceedings governed by Planning & Zoning. Resolution 2026-24 to amend the zoning regulations of Stafford County/Hudson City to include regulations for commercial renewable energy including solar energy and storage systems. Commissioner Wycoff moved, and Commissioner Stanford seconded, to approve Resolution 2026-23. Motion approved 3-0. Commissioner Wycoff moved, and Commissioner Stanford seconded, to approve Resolution 2026-24. Motion carried 3-0.

Aimee Peschka, Kayla Bailey, and Kylee Graves with the Family Crisis Center, met with the commissioners to discuss information regarding child abuse and sexual assault awareness. They gave an overview of their 2025 activities and events. Aimee presented two proclamations declaring April as Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month and Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Commissioner Wycoff moved, and Commissioner Stanford seconded, to approve the presented proclamations. Motion carried 3-0. Information was also presented about the following fundraising events in support of these issues: 5K Run & Zoo Fun, April 11th, Brit Spaugh Zoo and Rock Against Rape Music Bingo April 14th, & 28th at Rhythm & Blues, Great Bend. They will be doing the Battle of the Badge again and collecting hygiene items.

The following 2025 Year End Transfer resolutions were presented for approval:

2026-9: \$15,000.00 from County Clerk General Fund to County Clerk Equipment Reserve Fund.

2026-10: \$2,000.00 from Treasurer General Fund to Treasurer Equipment Reserve Fund.

2026-11: \$3,000.00 from Emergency Management General Fund to Emergency Management Equipment Reserve Fund.

2026-12: \$50,000.00 from Sheriff General Fund to Sheriff Equipment Reserve Fund.

2026-13: \$3,500.00 from Communications General Fund to Communications Equipment Reserve Fund.

2026-14: \$400,000.00 from Road & Bridge Fund to Road & Bridge Special Machinery Fund.

2026-15: \$200,000.00 from Road & Bridge Fund to Road & Bridge Special Improvement Fund.

2026-16: \$30,000.00 from Health Fund to Health Capital Outlay Fund.

2026-17: \$100,000.00 from Rural Fire Fund to Rural Fire Reserve Fund.

2026-18: \$20,000.00 from Noxious Weed Fund to Noxious Weed Capital Outlay Fund.

2026-19: \$10,000.00 from Appraiser Fund to Appraiser Equipment Reserve Fund.

2026-20: 30,000.00 from Solid Waste Fund to Solid Waste Equipment Reserve Fund.

2026-21: \$25,000.00 from EMS Fund to EMS Reserve Fund.

Commissioner Wycoff moved, and Commissioner Stanford seconded, to approve the 2025 year end transfer resolutions #2026-9 through #2026-22. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Wycoff moved, and Commissioner Stanford seconded, to approve the minutes of the March 18th meeting. Motion carried 3-0.

Gina Schwein, Communications Director, met with the commissioners to update them on the activity in her department. She advised that she has filled the open part-time dispatcher position. Upon the request of Gina Schwein, Commissioner Wycoff moved, and Commissioner Stanford seconded, to recess to executive session pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception to discuss non-elected employees. The open session will resume at 9:50 a.m. Motion carried 3-0. Those present: Commissioners, County Clerk, Gina Schwein, County Counselor.

Ryan Russell, Economic Development, met with the commissioners to discuss Data Centers. He talked about a possible strategy other than doing a moratorium. The commissioners advised that since this is a relatively new area, they would like to take time to research and see how the industry moves. They want the moratorium in place to prevent any permit applications from coming in and then being pressured into drafting immediate regulations. A moratorium can be revised at any time. They are still open to conversations and gathering information. They want time to be educated and prepared for what a data center would consist of and the effects on the county and community. Discussion was also held regarding corporate dairies and the negative aspects versus any financial benefit to the county.

During the meeting Payroll vouchers and checks were signed from the following funds:

General	\$217,215.65
Road & Bridge	63,714.55
Health	12,118.20
Rural Fire	8,970.00
Noxious Weed	4,445.91
Appraiser	11,846.54
Solid Waste	4,381.01
EMS	35,487.94
Motor Vehicle	1,871.00
Insurance Reserve	357.00
PHEP Grant	100.00

TOTAL \$ 360,507.80

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.