

WEAKLEY COUNTY, TENNESSEE
FINANCE, WAYS, AND MEANS COMMITTEE
Wednesday, May 9, 2018 – 9:00 a.m. – Conference Room, Department of Finance

Finance, Ways, and Means Committee Members Present: Commissioners Eric Owen, Greg Usery, Dennis Doster, Larry Taylor, James H. Westbrook, Jr., Roger Donaldson, Earl Wright, and David Hawks

Finance, Ways, and Means Committee Members Absent: Commissioner Tommy Jones

The Weakley County Finance, Ways and Means Committee met on Wednesday, May 9, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. in the conference room at the Board of Education and Department of Finance in Dresden. Others present included County Mayor Jake Bynum, Finance Director John Liggett, Elections Administrator Alex Britt, Trustee Marci Floyd, Deputy Register of Deeds April Jones, County Clerk Kim Hughey, Director of Schools Randy Frazier, Sheriff Mike Wilson, Clerk and Master Regina VanCleave, Dispatch Director Christy Fulcher, Emergency Management Director Dustin Kemp, and Roads Supervisor Charles Ross.

Chairperson Owen called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Commissioner Usery made the motion to approve the minutes from the March 16, 2018, committee meeting and with a second by Commissioner Donaldson, the motion to approve passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Transfer No. 1718-06:

Previously passed unanimously before the HEED Committee, this transfers moves \$350 out of line 56100-355 (Adult Activities – Travel) as well as moving \$500 from 56100-338 (Adult Activities – Maintenance and Repair Services - Vehicles) and transfers those monies into lines 56100-422 (Adult Activities – Food Supplies) and 56100-499 (Adult Activities – Other Supplies and Materials) in the Dresden Senior Citizens account of the General Fund. Reasons cited for the transfer include the center hosting several events, including the Iris Festival Luncheon, and the need for more funds in those lines to finish out the fiscal year. Commissioner Wright made the motion to approve Transfer 1718-06, and with a second by Commissioner Hawks, the motion to approve passed unanimously.

Transfer No. 1718-07:

This transfer moves monies out of various lines in the Trustee's Account in the General Fund, and transfers those monies into line 52400-348 (Trustee – Postage). Trustee Floyd explained that additional funds are needed in the postage line due to the high tax collections and the necessity for multiple delinquent tax notices that had to be sent. She also commented that they had received several returned letters. Commissioner Westbrook made the motion to approve the transfer and with a second by Commissioner Doster, the motion to approve passed unanimously.

Transfer No. 1718-08:

Previously passed unanimously before the Public Safety Committee, this transfer moves \$1,000 out of 122-54150-499 (Drug Enforcement – Other Supplies and Materials) and transfers those monies into line 122-54150-353 (Drug Enforcement – Towing Services) in the Drug Control Fund Budget. Sheriff Wilson told the committee that more funds were required for the towing of vehicles due to an abundance of vehicle seizures, and said that the line is currently in the red by nearly \$300. Commissioner Usery made the motion to approve the transfer and with a second by Commissioner Wright, the motion to approve passed unanimously.

Resolution No. 2018-34:

Previously passed unanimously through the Public Works Committee, this resolution authorizes the submission of an application for a Litter and Trash Collection Grant from the Tennessee Department of Transportation for the Highway Fund. Commissioner Taylor made the motion to recommend Resolution 2018-34 to the full commission and with a second by Commissioner Donaldson, the motion passed unanimously.

Resolution No. 2018-35:

Previously passed unanimously through the Public Safety Committee, this resolution moves various monies from assorted lines into numerous lines in the 54110 (Sheriff's Department) and 54210 (Detention Center) accounts in the General Fund Budget. Sheriff Mike Wilson explained that the reasons for the resolution included an increase in communication for phone bills, evaluation and testing for new officers, a food costs increase due to having more inmates, a new contract with Southern Health Partners for inmate medical insurance, and the cancellation of a maintenance agreement with Area Wide Communications and subsequent addition of a new agreement with The Mobile PC Guys. Commissioner Taylor made the motion to approve Resolution No. 2018-35 and recommend it to the full county commission, and with a second by Commissioner Wright, the motion to approve passed unanimously.

Resolution No. 2018-37:

Previously passed unanimously through the HEED Committee, this resolution moves various monies from assorted lines into numerous lines in the General Purpose School Fund Budget. Director of Schools Frazier cited a number of reasons for the resolution, which included cleaning up grant funds, additional equipment for special education students, the purchase of a special education bus, and the designation of Pre-K grant funds. Commissioner Usery made the motion to approve and recommend Resolution 2018-37 to the full county commission and with a second by Commissioner Donaldson, the motion to approve passed unanimously.

Resolution No. 2018-38:

Previously passed unanimously before the Public Works Committee, this resolution moves \$60,000 out of the highway department's fund balance line 39000 and moves it into line 62000-409 (Crushed Stone). Commissioner Westbrook made the motion to approve the resolution and recommend it to the full county commission and with a second by Commissioner Doster, the motion to approve passed unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS:

DISCUSSION OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

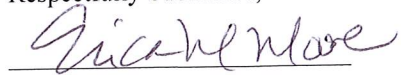
Mayor Bynum referred to the sample intergovernmental agreement that was provided to the committee, and explained that he wanted the body to review and study the agreement for any modifications and approval in the future. He commented that the document provided was mostly a boiler plate agreement and some changes might need to be made. Commissioner Westbrook commented that he believed that the county should be responsible for furnishing electric power to the company, but that the city should be responsible for furnishing water and sewer services. There was some discussion about utilities, the road to the building, responsibilities, personal property, budgeting, and claw-back.

Commissioner Owen stated that less than half of the counties in the state held a primary election, that the cost of the primary was between \$25,000 and \$30,000, that it is not the wisest way to spend taxpayer dollars, and asked the committee to think very carefully and cautiously in the future regarding the costs associated with a non-mandatory and potentially unnecessary primary election.

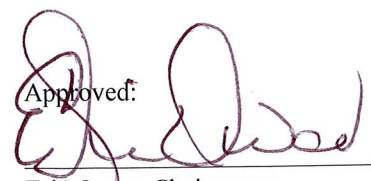
Director of Schools Frazier provided a document that outlined the schools' debts, revenue, and fund balance.

Having no other business, Commissioner Usery made the motion to adjourn and with a second by Commissioner Wright, the meeting was adjourned at 9:49 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Erica Moore, Secretary
Finance, Ways, and Means Committee

Approved: 
Eric Owen, Chairperson
Finance, Ways, and Means Committee

Date: 6-12-18