

WEAKLEY COUNTY, TENNESSEE
FINANCE, WAYS, & MEANS COMMITTEE

June 29, 2010; 5:00P.M.

Finance, Ways, & Means Members Present: Commissioners Tommy Jones, Earl Wright, James H. Westbrook, Jr., Roger Stewart, Eric Owen and Richard Phebus.

Finance, Ways, & Means Members Absent: None.

The Finance, Ways, & Means Committee met on Tuesday, June 29, 2010 at 5:00 p.m. at the Weakley County Department of Finance in the Board Room. Others present included Shawn Francisco - Director of Finance, Jamison Peevyhouse - Director Emergency Management, Houston Patrick - County Mayor, Susan Collins - Clerk & Master, Barbara Castleman - Elections Administrator, Pam Belew - Circuit Court Clerk, Mike Wilson - Sheriff, Tommy Moore - General Sessions Judge, Marci Floyd - Trustee, Pat Scarbrough - County Clerk, Donna Winstead Synder - Register of Deeds, Tim Evans - Health Department Director, Gail Roger - Director Office on Aging, Candy McAdams - Librarian, Keith Jones - Juvenile Court Director, April Jones - Deputy Register of Deeds, Jason Hypes - Assistant Director Emergency Management, Ron Cheatham - Veterans Affairs Administrator and John Salmon - County Commissioner.

Chairman Richard Phebus called the meeting to order.

OLD BUSINESS:

Commissioner Jones made the motion to approve the June 23, 2010 minutes of the joint meeting of HEED and FWM and with a second by Commissioner Westbrook the motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

2010-2011 FY Debt Service Fund Budget: Fund 151

After discussing the Debt Service Budget, Commissioner Stewart made the motion to approve the budget subject to review of revenues and with a second by Commissioner Owen the motion passed unanimously.

2010-2011 FY General Fund Budget: Fund 101

Only change to budget since the last review was the Reading Railroad had requested a continuation of funding and the requested had been inserted on page 42 of the budget.

Page 7, Acct No 51500 - Election Commission: Mrs. Castleman informed the committee that the Election Commission had met and approved her revised budget. Line 106 - Deputies was increasing to allowing for the addition of a second full-time deputy. Line 317- Data Processing Service, Line 336 - Maintenance and Repair - Voting Equipment and Line 349 - Printing & Forms were increasing due to two elections in the 2010-2011 fiscal year.

Commissioner Westbrook asked how Mrs. Castleman arrived at the numbers for those lines. Mrs. Castleman answered that she was relying on the predictions made by the Data Processing Company and on an Election Commission that had been involved with elections in the past.

Commissioner Westbrook felt the numbers were high based on election commission budgets in neighboring counties.

Commissioner Westbrook made the motion that Mrs. Castleman and members of the Election Commission visit these counties to see if there is a way to cut the costs for Weakley County and with a second by Commissioner Owen the motion passed unanimously.

Page 19, Acct No 53500 - Juvenile Court: Mr. Jones noted to the Commissioners that he had increased Line 130 - Social Workers but had made reductions in other lines to help offset the increase.

Page 34, Acct No 55150 – Maternal/Child Health Services: Line 310 – JACOA and Line 310 – STAR Center have been added to the General Fund budget since last review.

Page 42, Acct No 58500 – Contributions to Other Agencies: Line 316 – Big Cypress Tree and Line 316 – Everett-Stewart Regional Airport – Air Show have been added to the General Fund budget since last review. Commissioner Stewart made the motion to remove Line 316 – Everett-Stewart Regional Airport – Air Show from the budget and with a second by Commissioner Owen the motion passed by a 5 to 1 vote. Commissioner Westbrook voted no.

Page 36, Acct No 56100 – Adult Activities (Dresden): Ms. Rogers explained to the Committee that the United Way had cut funding to the Dresden center for the Homemaking Service to seven clients. These clients received basic house cleaning from the money provided by United Way. She explained that this service was important to helping these people to stay in their homes and out of nursing homes. She had applied to the Developmental District to pick up the loss of funds and should have their response by Thursday, July 1. If turned down, Ms. Rogers would request the money from the County. Commissioner Westbrook suggested that the Committee defer action on the Adult Activities (Dresden) budget until after Thursday, July 1, 2010.

Page 34, Acct No 55130: Ambulance Service: Commissioner Owen questioned if the Ambulance Service provided the County with any financial information. Commissioner Phebus directed Mrs. Francisco to request a financial statement, balance sheet and other information from the Ambulance Service by Thursday, July 1.

Commissioner Phebus addressed the audience stating that the current budget did not contain any pay increases. The subject of a salary increase would be considered after all numbers for the 2009-2010 budget were totaled.

Having no other business before this committee Commissioner Owen made a motion to adjourn at 5:47 p.m. and with a second by Commissioner Westbrook the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kellie Thayer, Secretary
Finance, Ways, & Means Committee

Approved:

Richard Phebus, Chairman
Finance, Ways, & Means Committee

Date: _____