

**WEAKLEY COUNTY, TENNESSEE**

**FINANCE, WAYS, & MEANS COMMITTEE**

**June 14, 2006; 4:00 P.M.**

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

**Finance, Ways, & Means Members Absent:** None.

The Finance, Ways, & Means Committee met on Wednesday, June 14, 2006 at 4:00 p.m. at the Weakley County Department of Finance/Board of Education in the boardroom. Others present included Shawn Francisco - Director of Finance, Kermit Hopper-Road Supervisor, and Heather Adams-Finance Department.

Chairman Dick Phebus called the meeting to order.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Highway Budget Transfer**

This transfer previously passed the Road Board and Public Works Committees. Commissioner Jones made the motion to approve the Highway transfer moving \$200 from line 331 (Legal Services) to line 191 (Board Member Fees), \$2 from line 499 (Other Supplies) to line 204 (State Retirement), and \$800 from line 515 (Liability Claim) to Line 415 (Electricity) and with a second by Commissioner Owen the motion passed unanimously.

**Resolution 2006-60**

This resolution previously passed the Road Board and Public Works Committees. This resolution authorizes budget amendments to the Highway fund for realignment of estimated local revenues and expenditures. Commissioner Westbrook made the motion to approve Resolution 2006-60 and with a second by Commissioner Jones the motion passed unanimously.

**Highway Budget 2006-2007 FY Budget**

**Page 4 Lines 404 & 405**

Mr. Hopper stated that the liquid asphalt (line 405) is 80% higher than last year. The amount in the budget (\$333,000) is the amount it will take to remain operating at the same level as the 05-06 FY. Line 404 (Asphalt Hot Mix) is \$160,000 the same as last fiscal year; however, this will complete 10 less miles than last year. It will complete 15 miles of road.

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Local Roads (Line 799) has an increase of \$125,000. Mr. Hopper is requesting the \$90,000 back from fund #176 to fund the increase.

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Highway Equipment (Line 714) has \$24,000 budgeted for the purchase of a cherry picker crane type equipment. This is cheaper than leasing the equipment. The budget

originally had \$204,000 budgeted; however, Public Works took out the funds for three small trucks.

The budget that is presented to the Committee has been approved by the Public Works Committee and the Road Board less \$52,000 from line #62000.405 (Asphalt-Liquid) to maintain a positive fund balance.

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Commissioner Westbrook stated that Commissioner Barner has concerns about the Road Board members being paid if they do not attend meetings. The Road Board members get a monthly salary and are paid whether or not they attend the meetings. Road Supervisor Hopper agrees with the concerns of Commissioner Barner.

**Fund Balance**

Chairman Phebus asked for clarification about the \$150,000 for liquid asphalt, \$135,000 for highway construction and \$90,000 for local roads. Chairman Phebus stated that \$40,058 is not a realistic fund balance. Hopper stated that the current budget does not include any employee raises. Hopper added that he had one less employee than last fiscal year and that he does not plan to fill position. Hopper requested 2.5 cents in tax revenue from Fund 176 that was removed from fund 131 in the previous fiscal year.

Chairman Phebus made the motion to take the Highway budget under advisement and with a second by Commissioner Owen the motion passed unanimously.

**Adjournment**

Commissioner Westbrook made a motion to adjourn at 4:36 p.m. and with a second by Commissioner Owen the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Marci Floyd, Recording Secretary  
Finance, Ways, & Means Committee

Approved:

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Richard Phebus, Chairman  
Finance, Ways, & Means Committee  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_