

WEAKLEY COUNTY, TENNESSEE FINANCE, WAYS, AND MEANS COMMITTEE

Friday, March 16, 2018 – 9:00 a.m. – Conference Room, Department of Finance

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

Finance, Ways, and Means Committee Members Absent: Commissioner Dennis Doster

The Weakley County Finance, Ways and Means Committee met on Friday, March 16, 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, Deputy Register of Deeds April Jones, Director of Schools Randy Frazier, Property Assessor Deputy Penny Crowell, 911 Director Christy Fulcher, Emergency Management Director Dustin Kemp, Circuit Clerk Jenny Killebrew, Library Director Candy McAdams, Dresden Senior Center Director Gail Rogers, Dresden Senior Center Assistant Lana Eaves, Road Supervisor Charles Ross, School Board Chairperson Steve Vantrease, Sheriff Mike Wilson, and two representatives of the media.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Commissioner Jones made the motion to approve the minutes from the January 18, 2018, committee meeting and with a second by Commissioner Wright, the motion to approve passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Transfer No. 1718-03

Previously passed unanimously before the Public Safety Committee, this transfer moves \$300 out of 54410-351 (Emergency Management – Rentals), moves \$250 out of 54410-425 (Emergency Management – Gasoline), and moves \$248 out of 54410-451 (Emergency Management – Uniforms), and transfers all of those monies, totaling \$798, into 54410-336 (Emergency Management – Maintenance and Repair Equipment.) Explanation of the need for the transfer included the servicing of the Polaris ATV that had experienced wear due to the clearing of roadways of debris after a significant storm in the area. Commissioner Usery made the motion to approve Transfer No. 1718-03 and with a second by Commissioner Hudson, the motion to approve passed unanimously.

Transfer No. 1718-04:

Previously passed unanimously before the HEED Committee, this transfer moves \$1,000 out of 56100-348 (Adult Activities in Dresden – Postal Charges) as well as \$1,000 out of 56100-410 (Adult Activities in Dresden – Custodial Supplies) and places those monies into line 56100-422 (Adult Activities in Dresden – Food Supplies) in the Dresden Senior Citizens account in the General Fund. Office on Aging Director Gail Rogers explained the reason for the transfer was to pay for lunches for the clients at the center, as well as expenses for the senior prom. Commissioner Wright made the motion to approve the transfer and with a second by Commissioner Hawks, the motion passed unanimously.

Transfer No. 1718-05:

Previously passed unanimously before the HEED Committee, this transfer moves \$1,800 out of 56300-335 (Adult Activities in Sharon – Maintenance and Repair of Buildings) as well as 56300-410 (Adult Activities in Sharon – Custodial Supplies) and places those monies into line 56300-499 (Adult Activities in Sharon – Other Supplies and Materials) in the Sharon Senior Citizens account in the General Fund. Mayor Bynum explained that the reason for the transfer was for the purchase of a sign, billboard, or a marquee for the center. Commissioner Jones made the motion approve the transfer and with a second by Commissioner Donaldson, the motion passed unanimously.

Resolution No. 2018-25:

Previously passed unanimously before the HEED Committee, this resolution realigns estimated expenditures in order to utilize the remainder of Health Department grant monies before the fiscal year end. Commissioner Usery made the motion to approve the resolution and recommend it to the full county commission and with a second by Commissioner Taylor, the motion passed unanimously.

Resolution No. 2018-26:

Previously passed unanimously before the HEED Committee, this resolution moves various monies to various lines in the General Purpose School Budget. Director of Schools Frazier cited several reasons including new driver's education vehicles, an increase in insurance, and expensing grant monies prior to the end of the year. Commissioner Wright made the motion to approve the resolution and recommend it to full county commission and with a second by Commissioner Usery, the motion passed unanimously.

Resolution No. 2018-27:

This resolution authorizes a continuous five (5) year reappraisal cycle. Commissioner Taylor asked Deputy Assessor Penny Crowell why the reappraisal cycle was performed every 5 years in lieu of every 6 years, and Mrs. Crowell answered that it puts more responsibility on the county and that 5 year cycles are generally accepted across the state. There was some discussion of workflow, county assessment duties and responsibilities, how assessments are performed, taxes and growth, value, and collections. Commissioner Westbrook made the motion to approve the resolution and recommend it to full county commission and with a second by Commissioner Donaldson, the motion passed unanimously.

Resolution No. 2018-28:

This resolution requires Weakley County Board of Equalization Members and County Board Hearing Officers to complete annual continuing education. Deputy Assessor Penny Crowell explained that this was a state mandate that required that the five board of equalization members must perform 4 hours of training per year to be in compliance with the terms of service to the board. Commissioner Jones made the motion to approve the resolution and recommend it to full county commission and with a second by Commissioner Wright, the motion passed unanimously.

Resolution No. 2018-30:

Previously passed unanimously before the Public Works Committee, this resolution moves various monies to several lines in the Highway Fund Budget. Commissioner Westbrook made the motion to approve the resolution and recommend it to the full county commission and with a second by Commissioner Donaldson, the motion to approve passed unanimously.

Resolution No. 2018-32:

Previously passed unanimously before the HEED Committee, this resolution moves \$300 out of 56500-307 (Library – Communication) and moves those monies into line 56500-162 (Library - Clerical Personnel) in the Library account in the General Fund. Director McAdams said that the reason for the movement was for a stipend for one of her employees for training at the Tennessee Library Leadership Academy. Commissioner Jones made the motion to approve the resolution and recommend it to the full county commission, and with a second by Commissioner Wright the motion to approve passed unanimously.

Resolution No. 2018-31:

Previously passed unanimously before the Public Safety Committee, this resolution passes grant funds through Other State Revenue account 46990-AOCRT as well as moving other monies and places those monies into the 53100-709 (Circuit Court – Data Processing Equipment) line in the General Fund. Sheriff Wilson explained that grant funds had been awarded from the State of Tennessee for courtroom security with the monies to be used to purchase video arraignment equipment. He went on to explain that the grant stipulations included a 10% fund match requirement by the county. Commissioner Usery made the motion to approve Resolution No. 2018-31 and recommend it to the full county commission, and with a second by Commissioner Westbrook the motion to approve passed unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Sheriff Wilson spoke about the need for school resource officers for the safety and security of the county schools, and

talked about other details regarding such a position including locations, salary and benefits, equipment, training requirements, certification, and scheduling for the potential SROs.

Director of Schools Frazier stated that the Board of Education would not be in support of arming teachers, and would remain focused on the teaching and educating of children.

Road Supervisor Ross made the committee aware of the poor road conditions and wanted the committee to be prepared that he would be presenting different budgets during the upcoming budget season for short term and long term solutions for road repair.

Having no other business, Commissioner Westbrook 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

Éric Owen, Chairperson

approved:

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Date: 5 - 9 - 18