WEAKLEY COUNTY, TENNESSEE FINANCE, WAYS, AND MEANS COMMITTEE



Monday, July 1, 2019 - 9:00 a.m., Conference Room, Board of Education - Dresden, TN

FWM Committee Members Present: Commissioners Eric Owen, Greg Usery, James Westbrook, David Bell, Roger

Donaldson, Dennis Doster, and Roger VanCleave

FWM Committee Members Absent: Commissioners Colton Nanney and Larry Taylor

The Finance, Ways, and Means Committee met on Monday, July 1, 2019, at 9:00 a.m. in the conference room at the Board of Education in Dresden. Also in attendance was Director of Finance John Liggett, Mayor Jake Bynum, Road Supervisor Charles Ross, Cary Henson of Henson Construction, and County Commissioners Donnie Essary and David Hawks.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Commissioner Doster made the motion to approve the minutes from the committee meeting held June 24, 2019, and with a second by Commissioner Donaldson, the motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

DISCUSSION OF BUDGETS:

FUND 116 – SOLID WASTE FUND BUDGET

Discussion began about waste tire program, the fee mandated by the state, and the fee collected by the county. Commissioner Doster stated that he believed some figures should be compiled so that the county will have more clarity on the figures needed to budget for the future. Discussion commenced about receipting, dealer fees vs. county fees, load haul sizes, and potential county-wide events for waste tire disposal.

Commissioner Bell made the motion to tentatively approve Fund 116, and with a second by Commissioner Bell, the motion passed unanimously.

FUND 131 – HIGHWAY FUND BUDGET

There was some preliminary talk about fuel tax collection, and a mention of the \$0.01 on gas \$0.03 on diesel that has gone into effect July 1, 2019, as the last of the IMPROVE Act tax increases. The following revenue and expenditure lines were mentioned, highlighted, or discussed:

Revenues:

49700 – Insurance Recovery: Supervisor Ross said that the amount shown on the budget worksheet referred to the Solid Waste Director who had a wreck in the truck dedicated to litter collection. Ross said they decided to take the insurance payment, keep the truck, and make the repairs in house to the truck.

41520 – Building Permits: Commissioner Westbrook mentioned that building permits were shown in multiple places in the budget worksheets, and Finance Director Liggett stated that it was an error and he would fix it.

Expenditures:

62000 – Highway and Bridge Maintenance: Supervisor Ross mentioned an uptick in line 187, Overtime Pay, and said there may be a need for this crews to work on Fridays during the renovation of the building, setting those individuals over 40 hours per week. He made mention of an increase in line 436, Other Road Materials, for the purchase of a reclaimer for a full depth reclamation of county roads, soil stabilization, and road striping.

63100 – Operation and Maintenance of Equipment: Supervisor Ross said that the increase in line 717, Maintenance Equipment, for a new tire machine.

68000 – Capital Outlay: Supervisor Ross said that line 714, Highway Equipment, included the reclaimer at the cost of \$450,000. He went into detail about what a reclaimer does, alternate solutions he has researched, compaction, stabilization, settling of water beneath roads, freeze point, heaving, how things are done in other states, and budgeting.

Commissioner Donaldson commented that he believed the reclamation process would prolong the life of the roads for years to come. Commissioner VanCleave thanked Supervisor Ross for his vision.

Commissioner Doster made the motion to tentatively approve Fund 131, and with a second by Commissioner Donaldson, the motion passed unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Cary Henson of Henson Construction was recognized and passed out a document that provided a new budget summary for the Weakley County Highway Department that included the new fueling station. He said that he and TLM Associates had gone through the former plans and made many cuts and omissions to save on design costs. He went on to say that the highway department staff would be utilized whenever possible for additional savings and talked about area specifications, other changes and updates, and other site specifics.

Chairperson Owen said that the building issue would be considered again on July 2nd with all budgets not yet reviewed through committee.

Having no other business, Commissioner Bell made the motion to adjourn, and with a second by Commissioner Usery, the meeting was adjourned at 10:04 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Erica Moore, Secretary

Finance, Ways, and Means Committee

Eric Owen, Chairperson

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Date: 7-2-19