WEAKLEY COUNTY, TENNESSEE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE



Tuesday, May 7, 2019 – 9:00 a.m. – Conference Room, Weakley County Department of Finance

Public Safety Committee Members Present: Commissioners Jack Vincent, David Bell, David Hawks, Scott Fortner, and Eric Owen

Public Safety Committee Members Absent: James Roy Pope

The Public Safety Committee met on Tuesday, May 7, 2019, at 9:00 a.m. in the conference room at the Department of Finance in Dresden. Others present included Mayor Jake Bynum, Sheriff Mike Wilson, 911 Director Christy Fulcher, County Commissioners Gary Eddings and Roger Donaldson, Weakley County Ambulance Service CEO Jeff Washburn, two other representatives of the Weakley County Ambulance Service, and three representatives of the media.

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

Approval of Minutes:

Commissioner Owen made the motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held on January 7, 2019, and with a second by Commissioner Fortner, the motion to approve passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

TRANSFERS:

Transfer No. 1819-07:

This transfer moves various funds from lines in the Detention Center and Sheriff's Department budgets and moves those monies into several other lines within those respective accounts in the General Fund. Sheriff Mike Wilson explained that the needs for the transfer included an increase in building and equipment repairs to the jail, an increase in medical and dental services for inmates, an additional need for pest control not included in the contract and most specifically for termite control, and mandatory pre-employment psychiatric evaluations for new jail employees. Commissioner Hawks made the motion to approve and recommend the transfer to the Finance, Ways, and Means Committee and with a second by Commissioner Fortner, the motion passed unanimously.

Transfer No. 1819-09:

This transfer moves \$2,000 out of 53400-348 (Clerk and Master – Postal Charges) and places those monies into 53400-719 (Clerk and Master – Office Equipment) in the Chancery Court Clerk's account in the General Fund. Mayor Bynum stated that the transfer was for the purchase of two new tables for the Chancery Courtroom in the courthouse. Commissioner Fortner made the motion to approve and recommend the transfer to the Finance, Ways, and Means Committee and with a second by Commissioner Hawks, the motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 2019-38:

This resolution takes \$5,164 out of the 34520-AUTCH (Restricted for Administration of Justice Data Processing Reserve) and places those funds into 53400-709 (Clerk and Master – Data Processing Equipment) in the General Fund. The reason cited for resolution was the need for new computers that would be compatible with the system software for the office. Commissioner Bell made the motion to approve the resolution and recommend it to the Finance, Ways, and Means Committee and with a second by Commissioner Fortner, the motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION OF WEAKLEY COUNTY AMBULANCE SERVICE QUARTERLY REPORT

Chairperson Vincent recognized Mayor Bynum who passed out a document that was provided to him by Weakley County 911 Director Christy Fulcher that explained that Weakley County 911 does not have the capability to provide reports on the number of trucks that Weakley County Ambulance Service has on schedule each day, or whether those trucks are ALS or BLS ambulances. Chairperson Vincent then recognized CEO Washburn who mentioned the EMS Staffing Report that had been provided in the packets for each member. He explained that there were days when they were less than perfect but

that the organization had tried their best each day to staff the ambulances the best way they could. He mentioned that challenges remained with staffing ambulances and personnel each day, and said that despite increasing pay and including incentives, the amount of personnel necessary to staff every shift was just not available. There was discussion about ALS and BLS ambulances, the franchise agreement specifications, transitional periods, averages, and responsibilities of the ambulance service verses the 911 District. Commissioner Bell stated that he believed the ambulance service was doing a great job.

OTHER BUSINESS

Having no other business, Commissioner Owen made the motion to adjourn the meeting and with a second by Commissioner Bell, the meeting was adjourned at 9:36 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Erica Moore, Secretary
Public Safety Committee

Approved:

Jack Vincent, Chairperson Public Safety Committee

Date: 4 done 19

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