WEAKLEY COUNTY, TENNESSEE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE



Monday, February 10, 2020 - 9:00 AM - Highway Department, Dresden, TN

Public Works Committee Members Present: Commissioners Dennis Doster, James H. Westbrook, Jr., Larry Taylor, Roger Donaldson, and Beth VanCleave

Public Works Committee Members Absent: Commissioner Colton Nanney

The Weakley County Public Works Committee met on Monday, February 10, 2020, at 9:00 a.m. at the Highway Department in Dresden. Others present included County Mayor Jake Bynum, Finance Director John Liggett, Road Supervisor Charles Ross, Schools Transportation Supervisor Ron Byington, Mark Maddox of TLM, and Terry Slaughter and Cary Henson of Henson Construction.

I. - II. CALL TO ORDER - APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairperson Doster called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and called for the approval of the minutes from the meeting that was held on January 6, 2020. Commissioner Donaldson made the motion to approve the minutes and with a second by Commissioner Taylor, the motion passed unanimously.

III. OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Donaldson asked about the haphazard work of the utility departments on county right-of-ways, and Supervisor Ross stated that his department was keeping a watchful eye. He commented that the county attorney had issued a formal letter as well.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion of County Maintenance Garage Fueling Station Project

Supervisor Ross was recognized and started by providing a brief update about what all had been planned in upgrades to the area within the scope of the project, and he included that the third part of the plan had included an overhaul of the fueling station on the grounds at a budgeted cost of \$250,000. He said that the project had been bid out originally with no interested bidders, but after being re-bid, only one bid came in with an estimated project cost of \$788,000. He said that after consultation with all the parties affected by the project, it was decided that a full overhaul was not financially feasible, and everyone has agreed that a renovation should be performed in lieu of a replacement.

Schools Transportation Supervisor Byington was recognized and explained all of the issues that were necessary in terms of the renovation. Those included the need for a shut-off valve, bringing lines up to code to prevent any leaks, cleaning of existing tanks, a new pump motor system on top of the hill, a digital dispenser setup to ensure accurate readings, and some LED lighting to brighten the area around the pumps. He mentioned that he had made contact with a construction engineer company that he had made plans to meet with and get an estimate on the new plan for fueling station renovations.

There was a bit of discussion about tank replacement and upgrades, age of tanks, quality of fuel quality, bus emissions, and fuel treatment. Supervisor Byington said that the schools currently own five propane buses and have a plan to purchase 4 more.

V. OTHER BUSINESS

Chairperson Doster recognized Mr. Cary Henson of Henson Construction who provided a document to the committee that included Weakley County Highway Department and School Bus Garage additions and renovations that contained post-bid budget figures and anticipated timeline for the project's phases. He spoke to several items on the document and the full project timeline, which began August 2019 and is set to end before summer of 2021. Supervisor Ross asked that the committee reconvene to discuss all matters further and consider a budget transfer prior to the county commission meeting scheduled for March 16, 2020.

VI. ADJOURN

Having no other business, Commissioner Donaldson made the motion to adjourn and with a second by Commissioner Taylor, the meeting was adjourned at 9:38 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Erica Moore, Secretary

Public Works Committee

Approved:

Dennis Doser, Chairperson Public Works Committee

Date: 3-5-