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WEAKLEY COUNTY, TENNESSEE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Thursday, March 5, 2020 - 9:00 AM - Conference Room, Board of Education, Dresden, TN

Public Safety Committee Members Present: Commissioners Jack Vincent, David Bell, David Hawks, Eric Owen, and James Roy Pope

Public Safety Committee Members Absent: None

The Weakley County Public Safety Committee met on Thursday, March 5, 2020, at 9:00 a.m. in the conference room at the Board of Education in Dresden. Others present included County Mayor Jake Bynum, Finance Director John Liggett, Emergency Management Director Ray Wiggington, Sheriff Mike Wilson, Clerk and Master Regina VanCleave; Commissioners Larry Taylor, Roger Donaldson, Dennis Doster, Gary Eddings, and Beth VanCleave; and two representatives of the media.

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

Chairperson Vincent called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and called for the consideration of the minutes from the meeting that was held on January 7, 2020. Commissioner Pope made the motion to approve, and with a second by Commissioner Bell, the motion passed unanimously.

III. OLD BUSINESS

None

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. RESOLUTIONS

- 1. Resolution No. 2020-43: This resolution moves \$2,500 out of the unassigned General Fund balance and moves those monies into 53100-399 [Circuit Court Other Contracted Services]. Chairperson Vincent recognized Mayor Bynum, who explained that these funds were for the Electronic Monitoring Indigency Fund [EMIF], which is a program administered by the state. For individuals who are sentenced with ankle bracelets or breathalizers requirements through the court system, but who have been identified as indigent, the EMIF is an established fund that will supply the costs of those required items. To be able to participate, counties must opt-in in the form of \$2500 toward the program. Mayor Bynum reminded the committee that the opt-in resolution had already passed through the full county commission, but that this resolution actually moves the monies for the program. Commissioner Hawks made motion to approve and recommend the resolution to the Finance, Ways, and Means Committee, and with a second by Commissioner Bell, the motion passed unanimously.
- 2. <u>Resolution No. 2020-44</u>: This resolution of the Weakley County Commission declares support of the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution. Chairperson Vincent recognized Commissioner Eddings who said that the Weakley County Attorney had reviewed, revised, and approved. Mayor Bynum explained that the wording had been revised through CTAS. Discussion was had regarding the origin of the resolution and other counties that had passed the resolution. Commissioner Pope made the motion to approve and recommend the resolution to the full county commission, and with a second by Commissioner Hawks, the motion passed unanimously. Chairperson Vincent mentioned that a petition in support of the resolution was available from Mr. Michael Stout.
- 3. <u>Resolution No. 2020-45</u>: This is a resolution of no consent to refugee resettlement in Weakley County, Tennessee. Commissioner Hawks was recognized and relayed that the resolution had been presented to the

Mayor's Office opting out of allowing refugees to resettle in Weakley County after Governor Lee allowed refugees into the state without notification to local governments that resettling in counties would take place. Commissioner Hawks made the motion to approve and recommend the resolution to the full county commission, and with a second by Commissioner Bell, the motion passed unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mayor Bynum told the committee that middle Tennessee had a confirmed case of Coronavirus, and that the TN Department of Health and the State Commissioner of Health are making sure that all individuals are relaying the importance of washing hands and not touching the face.

ADJOURN

Having no other business, Commissioner Owen made the motion to adjourn, and with a second by Commissioner Pope, the meeting was adjourned at 9:18 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Erica Moore, Secretary
Public Safety Committee

Approved:

Jack Vincent, Chairperson Public Safety Committee

Date: 5 Nov 23

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