

WEAKLEY COUNTY, TENNESSEE

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Friday, November 18, 2016; 9:00 a.m.

Public Works Committee Members Present: Commissioners Dennis Doster, Eric Owen, Dale Overton, Jack Vincent, and James H. Westbrook, Jr.

Public Works Committee Members Absent: Commissioner Tommy Jones

The Public Works Committee met on Friday, November 18, 2016, at 9:00 a.m. in the conference room at the Weakley County Department of Finance in Dresden.

Chairperson Westbrook called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and called for the approval of the minutes from the October 18, 2016, meeting. Commissioner Overton made the motion to approve the minutes from the October 18, 2016, meeting and with a second by Commissioner Doster, the motion to approve passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

UPDATE ON ROADS

Chairperson Westbrook asked Road Supervisor Ross to provide the body with an update on county roads and road conditions. Supervisor Ross began by mentioning the work that has been done recently, including 160-180 lane miles [both ways] that have had two and in some places three layers, state aid work and striping. He said that the new distributor had been delivered, commented on the purchase of a ten-wheeler that would replace the wrecked vehicle. He said the crew is working diligently on pot holes and asked the body to let them know of trouble areas, and some discussion was had about mowing, mowing equipment, and the most effective equipment for mowing road sides.

ELECTRONICS DISPOSAL

Chairperson Westbrook stated that there is going to be a change in how Weakley County's Solid Waste facility disposes of larger items such as television sets, computer monitors, and computer towers. Road Supervisor Ross said that a gentleman who once picked up these types of items for his own personal use will no longer be picking up the items. Chairperson Westbrook stated that after collaborating with Supervisor Ross, a fee should be implemented for disposal of these items. Supervisor Ross spoke on the space that these items take up in a dumpster and how it costs the county more for disposal of these items. Brief discussion was had on who would collect the fee and what fees are currently being collected. Ross stated that currently the Solid Waste staff collects a small fee on bagged garbage and computer towers.

Commissioner Vincent and Commissioner Hawks said that they believed that someone might find value in these items and may want to come and pick them up.

Commissioner Owen made a motion to entertain a fee collecting process, implementing a \$2 fee for the disposal of larger items such as television sets, computer monitors, and computer towers with the proviso that the county still research and be on the lookout for an individual or organization that might want to retrieve the items from the Solid Waste Facility. With the motion seconded by Commissioner Hudson, the motion unanimously passed.

Resolution No. 2017-17

This resolution authorizes the addition of a county road named Cates Lane in District 7 (Martin) to the County Road System and maintenance list of the Weakley County Highway Department. Discussion was had about the details of the road. Commissioner Overton made the motion to approve Resolution No. 2017-17 and recommend it to the full County Commission, and with a second by Commissioner Owen the motion unanimously passed.

Resolution No. 2017-19

This resolution authorizes the adoption of a Consultant Selection Policy for all projects funded by the Federal Highway Administration. Chairperson Westbrook stated that any project funded by federal monies must be selected by a bid process, evaluated, and approved. He said that the policy example provided was 16 pages, but Weakley County's own version of the policy has been reduced to about half that length. Commissioner Owen made the motion to approve Resolution No. 2017-19 and recommend it to the full County Commission, and with a second by Commissioner Vincent the motion unanimously passed.

OTHER BUSINESS

Commissioner Eric Owen requested an update on the right-of-way situation for the county. Supervisor Ross said that several issues regarding permit purchases have been resolved.

Mayor Bynum reminded the body that the Tennessee Infrastructure Coalition would be presenting before the County Commission Meeting. Brief discussion was had regarding roads, gas tax, and road support in various counties.

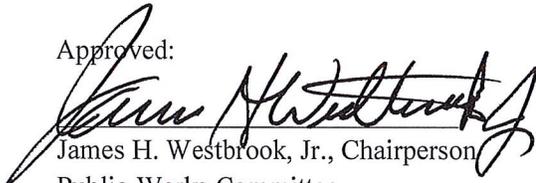
Having no other business Commissioner Owen made the motion to adjourn and with a second by Commissioner Overton, the meeting was adjourned at 9:36 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Erica Moore, Secretary
Public Works Committee

Approved:



James H. Westbrook, Jr., Chairperson
Public Works Committee

Date: 1-17-17