

**WEAKLEY COUNTY, TENNESSEE**  
**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**Monday, April 24, 2017 - 9:00 a.m.**

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

**Public Works Committee Members Absent:** None

The Public Works Committee met on Monday, April 24, 2017, at 9:00 a.m. in the Board Room at the Department of Finance in Dresden. Others present were Director of Finance John Liggett, Roads Supervisor Charles Ross, Weakley County Mayor Jake Bynum, and a representative of the media.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Chairperson Westbrook called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and called for the approval of the minutes from the March 15, 2017 meeting. Commissioner Jones made the motion to approve the minutes and with a second by Commissioner Vincent, the motion to approve passed unanimously.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Commissioner Vincent stated that he was contacted by a constituent who said that there is in an area on Ralston Road, north to Hyndsver Road, which is incorrectly marked as a passing road. Road Supervisor Ross stated that it was one of the roads that was lined during a state safety project. Commissioner Vincent also said that Turner Road is marked Turner Lane and asked whether Supervisor Ross would check into it, and Mr. Ross said that he would check the road list.

Commissioner Overton asked whether the right hand side of Courtright Road is in Martin's city limits or under the jurisdiction of Weakley County in regards to some low hanging trees over the road. Some discussion was had about the exact location of the road, the city's annexation of the road, and the legal responsibilities and maintenance for the county for roads that are annexed or de-annexed.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**DISCUSSION OF STORAGE BUILDING CONSTRUCTION & DISCUSSION OF HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT CASH FLOW**

Chairperson Westbrook turned the attention to the Cash Flow Forecast Schedule provided by the Weakley County Director of Finance Liggett, and asked Director Liggett about the status of the construction on the building. Director Liggett said that the project was out for bid, and that the bid opening would take place on May 3, 2017. Chairperson Westbrook said that he would like for the committee to go out to the Highway Department to view the site where the building is to be constructed. Conversation began about the challenges facing the Highway Department due to the construction and layout of the building, current needs of an increase in shop space and storage, and how the current space could be rearranged to be more suitable for the department's needs.

**DISCUSSION OF USE OF COUNTY RIGHT-OF-WAY**

Chairperson Westbrook asked whether anyone had heard from any of the representatives of the Zayo Group, to which no one had. Supervisor Ross said that he had been contacted by an independent contractor who had told him that the work had been put out for bid. Ross said that he informed the contractor that no permits had been

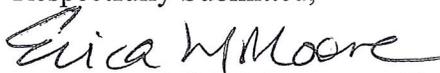
obtained from Weakley County for any work that would be performed on county property, and stated that he had not heard from the company or any of the representatives.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Chairperson Westbrook commended Governor Haslam and Senator Stephens for the implementation of the new gas tax that had recently passed. Some conversation was had on the different increases and decreases in various taxes in the act, the differences in the original proposal and what actually passed, as well as the timeline and amounts of monetary supplication that would be allotted to the Weakley County Highway Department for roads repair. Supervisor Ross said that it would be a great help to Weakley County and to the Highway Department fund balance.

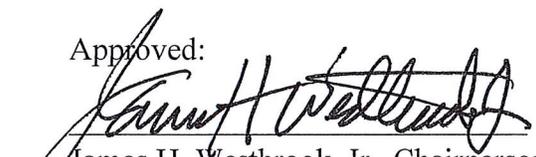
Having no other business, Commissioner Owen made the motion to adjourn and with a second by Chairperson Westbrook, the meeting was adjourned at 9:21 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Erica Moore, Secretary  
Public Works Committee

Approved:



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

Date: 6/13/17