

WEAKLEY COUNTY, TENNESSEE  
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MINUTES

Friday, May 4, 2018 – 9:30 a.m. – Board of Education/Department of Finance

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

**Public Works Committee Members Absent:** Commissioners Jack Vincent, Tommy Jones

The Public Works Committee met on Friday, May 4, 2018, at 9:30 a.m. in the conference room at the Department of Finance/Board of Education in Dresden. Others present were Director of Finance John Liggett, Mayor Jake Bynum, Roads Supervisor Charles Ross, and a representative of the media.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Chairperson Westbrook called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and called for the approval of the minutes from the March 8, 2018, committee meeting. Commissioner Owen made the motion to approve the minutes and with a second by Commissioner Doster, the motion to approve passed unanimously.

**OLD BUSINESS**

There was some discussion about the closing of the spur between area south of Martin and Sharon in District 7. Finance Director Liggett said that he talked to County Attorney Whitledge and they had discussed legal possession. There was more conversation about declaring it legally abandoned, and how the property will then go back to the original owner, as well as potentially notifying the Assessor of Property to declare it abandoned.

Chairperson Westbrook readdressed the issue of fiber conduit being laid haphazardly by contractor(s) associated with the Zayo Group, and said that other counties who allow such a project to take place usually have a bond attached. He stated that he believed the county should consider that in the future. Supervisor Ross commented that he would contact County Attorney Whitledge and have a letter initiated and sent out to Zayo Group.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Resolution No. 2018-34:** This resolution authorizes the submission of an application for a Litter and Trash Collection Grant from the Tennessee Department of Transportation for the Highway Fund. Chairperson Westbrook stated that this is a grant that Weakley County applies for annually. Commissioner Overton made the motion to recommend Resolution 2018-34 to the full commission and with a second by Commissioner Doster, the motion passed unanimously.

**B. Resolution No. 2018-38:**

This resolution moves \$60,000 out of the highway department's fund balance line 39000 and moves it into line 62000-409 (Crushed Stone). Commissioner Owen made the motion to approve the resolution and recommend it to the Finance, Ways, and Means Committee and with a second by Commissioner Doster, the motion to approve passed unanimously.

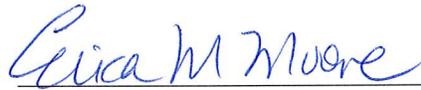
**Other Business**

Supervisor Ross spoke a bit about the need to increase the budget for the upcoming year due to the need

for more trucks, more mowers, more cutting, and that the cost of liquid asphalt is increasing. He also talked a little about the BRZ project bridge on Jolley Springs Road.

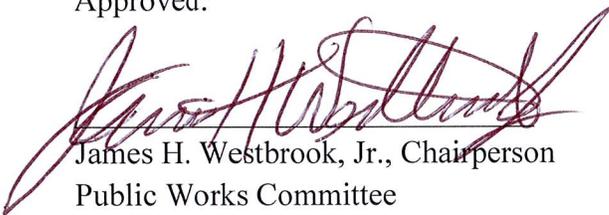
Having no other business, Commissioner Owen made the motion to adjourn and with a second by Commissioner Doster, the meeting was adjourned at 9:47 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Erica Moore, Secretary  
Public Works Committee

Approved:



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

Date: 6/11/2018