

RESOLUTION #1981-*22*

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WEAKLEY COUNTY, TENNESSEE, APPEALING THE BUDGET OF THE WEAKLEY COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION PROPOSED FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1982.

WHEREAS, the Weakley County Election Commission has submitted its budget to the County Judge of Weakley County, Tennessee, filed on April 14, 1981, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1982, which budget is as follows:

Account Number		Est. 1980-81	Est. 1981-82
41400	ELECTIONS		
.107	Commission Member's Compensation	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,000.00
.291	Registrar-At-Large Salary	8,947.00	10,100.00
.292	First Deputy Salary	---	7,200.00
	Extra Help	---	600.00
.479	Office Equipment-Maint. Serv. (Computer & typewriter)	800.00	1,000.00
.531	Postage	300.00	400.00
.534	Telephone and Telegraph	400.00	400.00
.546	Printing, Stationery and Forms	5,000.00	3,500.00
.591	Training and Travel	300.00	600.00
.625	Election officials, rent on voting place, and count. board	12,610.00	6,500.00
.628	Legal Notices	400.00	400.00
.641	Office Supplies	300.00	200.00
.901	Office Equipment and fixtures	---	1,000.00
	Auditor	---	200.00
	Special Election	---	6,500.00
	Office Rent	---	6,000.00
	Copy Machine	---	1,800.00
	Janitor Service	---	600.00
	TOTAL ELECTIONS	\$31,457.00	\$49,000.00

WHEREAS, the provisions of Section 2-12-109, Tennessee Code Annotated, provide that should the local governing body object to or dispute the reasonableness or necessity of any item on the annual budget of the County Election Commission, that the local governing body shall have the right to appeal said item for determination by the State Election Commission;

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Weakley County, TN, as follows:

Section I. That the following items of the proposed budget for the Weakley County Election Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1982, are deemed unreasonable or unnecessary for the reasons as set forth:

- a. Commission member's compensation-\$2,000.00. In the past fiscal year there were at least two County-wide elections, and for the fiscal year ending June 20, 1982, only one County-wide election is scheduled. The time involved for the members of the Commission should not be as great, and therefore this item should be reduced.
- b. Registrar-at-Large Salary-\$10,100.00. As the Registrar-at-Large is deemed to be not under the supervision of the Weakley County Board of Commissioners, any salary increase should be based upon the same as awarded to state officials, which amount has not been determined at this time.
- c. First Deputy's Salary-\$7,200.00 and Extra Help-\$600.00. Again as only one County-wide election is scheduled for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1982, a First Deputy is not deemed to be necessary, and extra help only required, which sum for extra help should be \$1,800.00, and no expenditures allowable for a First Deputy.
- d. Training and Travel-\$600.00. This item is deemed to both unreasonable and unnecessary, and should be reduced to the amount for the previous fiscal year of \$300.00.

Motion made by Comm. William Mansfield that the foregoing Resolution be adopted;

Motion seconded by Comm. James Barner.  
Upon being put to a Roll Call vote, same Carried

Passed and approved the 20th day of April, 1981.

AYE: 19    NAY: 0    ABSENT: 1

Attested:

Approved:

James J. Omer  
James T. Omer, County Clerk

Charles T. Butts  
Charles T. Butts, County Judge

e. Office Equipment and Fixtures-\$1,000.00. As no explanation has been made for the necessity of any of these items, this line item is deemed unnecessary.

f. Special Election-\$6,500.00. As the Weakley County Board of Commissioners would be lawfully bound to fund the expenditures for any lawfully called and held special elections, this item should be funded through the surplus of the general fund, and not have the tax burden of an extra line item.

g. Office Rent-\$6,000.00. As the Weakley County Election Commission is presently housed in the Weakley County Courthouse, and as office space is available in other county-owned buildings, any expenditure for rent would be unnecessary and unreasonable.

h. Copy Machine-\$1,800.00. As a copy machine is available on each floor of the Courthouse, this item is deemed unnecessary and unreasonable.

i. Janitor Service-\$600.00. As the office of the county-owned premises are presently served by janitor service, this item is deemed both unnecessary and unreasonable.

Section II. That the County Judge as presiding officer of the Weakley County Board of Commissioners mail a certified copy of this Resolution to the State Election Commission, appealing the items set forth above for the budget of the Weakley County Election Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1982.

PURSUANT TO THE RULES OF THE COMMISSION THIS RESOLUTION IS SPONSORED

BY THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF THE WEAKLEY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

James Tate  
Acknowledged and Approved

John Bee

James Tate  
Chairman, Budget Committee