

RESOLUTION # 1982-10:

A RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE TELEPHONE RATE INCREASE PETITIONED BY GENERAL TELEPHONE COMPANY OF THE SOUTHEAST

WHEREAS, The General Telephone Company of the Southeast has petitioned the Tennessee Public Service Commission for a telephone rate increase; and,

WHEREAS, The General Telephone Company of the Southeast serves customers in a portion of Weakley County, Tennessee; and,

WHEREAS, General Telephone Company of the Southeast paid public utility tax to Weakley County in the amount of \$127,045.16 for the year 1976 and \$78,309.83 for the year 1981; and,

WHEREAS, a representative of General Telephone Company of the Southeast appeared before an informal meeting of the Weakley County Legislative Body on April 12, 1982, for the purpose of explaining the law covering telephone cables laid on county road right-of-ways and damaged by Weakley County Highway Department equipment used in road maintenance in the amount of approximately \$6,000.00; and,

WHEREAS, a representative of the Weakley County Highway Department rebutted the claim by giving examples of the law being complied with in most cases and showing pictures where cables were not buried properly, cables not being buried at all and where cable laying contractors for General Telephone Company of the Southeast damaged county roads.

(Attachments 1-5 courtesy of Dresden Enterprise)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Weakley County Legislative Body in a regular meeting, this the 19th day of April, 1982, that this Body believes the present General Telephone Company of the Southeast's staff and employees, serving Weakley County, are performing satisfactory service within their budget limitations; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Body feels that General Telephone Company of the Southwest is under-staffed in Weakley County and that telephone equipment is not maintained and updated properly; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a reduction of public utility taxes has shifted an additional tax to the Weakley County property tax payer; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Weakley County Legislative Body opposed the telephone rate increase petitioned for by General Telephone Company of the Southeast and scheduled to be heard by the Tenn. Public Utility Comm. in the immediate future; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Commission forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Tenn. Public Utility Commission. This the 19th day of April, 1982.

PURSUANT TO THE RULES OF THE WEAKLEY COUNTY LEGISLATIVE BODY, THIS RESOLUTION IS SPONSORED BY THE FOLLOWING COMMISSIONERS:

/S/ Wayne McCreight
Chairman Legislative Comm.

/S/ Harry Max Speight

/S/ James H. Westbrook Jr.

/S/ Joe W. White

Motion was made by Comm. Giggs Danner that the foregoing and hereto attached resolution be approved. Seconded by Comm. Wayne McCreight. Upon being put to a voice vote, motion carried.

APPROVED:

ATTESTED:

/S/ James T. Omer
COUNTY CLERK

/S/ Charles T. Buttd
COUNTY JUDGE