

**RESOLUTION TO DEFINE MUNICIPAL AND REGIONAL EMERGENCY SERVICE ZONES OF EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS PROVIDING SERVICE WITHIN WEAKLEY COUNTY, TENNESSEE, SET OUT THE PROCEDURE TO AMEND EMERGENCY SERVICE ZONES, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE SETTING OF RURAL RESPONSE FEES.**

**WHEREAS**, it is the desire of the Weakley County Board of Commissioners to establish Emergency Service Zones within the rural areas of Weakley County, Tennessee, as maintained since 1994 by the primary response agencies in Weakley County, and to set out departments responsible for primary response to emergencies occurring within those rural emergency response zones as authorized by T.C.A. § 5-17-101 et. seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, emergency service departments in Weakley County, Tennessee, which are members of the Weakley County Fire Chief's Association have drafted and agreed upon Emergency Service Zone boundaries for each fire department now operating within the confines of the boundaries of Weakley County inclusive of areas outside of the incorporated municipal boundaries; and

**WHEREAS**, Weakley County has adopted a Basic Emergency Operations Plan designating the duties and responsibilities of various emergency service departments within Weakley County, Tennessee; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the citizens of Weakley County that the Weakley County Board of Commissioners designate emergency response zones within the county and develop a plan for the orderly response of emergency service agencies within the county; and

**WHEREAS**, the Weakley County Board of Commissioners is designated as the governmental agency in Weakley County to approve fire response zones within the rural areas of the county by T.C.A. § 68-102-306.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the following guidelines are adopted to implement emergency response zones and an emergency response plan within Weakley County, Tennessee:

1. Emergency Service Zones for primary response fire departments operating within Weakley County as currently drafted and recommended by the Weakley County Fire Chief's Association are hereby adopted and implemented by the Weakley County Board of Commissioners. A map designating the Emergency Service Zones is currently on file with and maintained by the Weakley County Emergency Management Agency. Any request for changes and/or modifications to Emergency Response Zones within Weakley County shall be submitted to and reviewed by the Public Safety Committee of the Weakley County Board of Commissioners with said committee to receive input from the Weakley County Fire Chief's Association and other interested parties prior to recommending any changes or modifications to the Weakley County Board of Commissioners for final approval.
2. Weakley County Rescue Squad will serve as a mutual aid agency for fire response in Weakley County and shall provide a mutual aid response to those primary response fire departments within Weakley County requesting assistance inclusive of the State of Tennessee Forestry Service.
3. Weakley County Rescue Squad is designated as the primary response agency in Weakley County for providing rescue services, vehicle extrication, and other specialized rescue in those incorporated municipalities within Weakley County not providing rescue services and for all areas outside the incorporated municipalities of the county.

4. Weakley County Rescue Squad may enter into mutual aid agreements as authorized by Tennessee statute or under the Tennessee mutual aid plan with such other municipalities or emergency response agencies deemed appropriate to assist in the provision of rescue services either within municipalities not providing rescue services or outside the municipal boundaries of the county.
5. Any fire department operating as a primary response within Weakley County shall be certified and maintain certification as a certified fire department as set out under the provisions of the Tennessee Fire Department Recognition Act, T.C.A. § 68-102-301 et. seq.
6. Primary Response fire departments operating within Weakley County and servicing a designated Emergency Service Zone are authorized to establish and collect reasonable subscription fees for fire service within their designated Emergency Service Zone outside the established municipal boundaries of any city in the county in their designated zone. Primary Response fire departments further are authorized to establish and collect reasonable fees for the response to fire calls outside the established municipal boundaries of any city in the county in their designated zone in which the owner of the property or caller has not paid a subscription fee.
7. No established fire department or emergency response agency may compete for subscriptions for fire service in any Emergency Response Zone except the one for which the department or agency is the designated primary response or lead agency.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Weakley County Board of Commissioners meeting in regular session that the foregoing resolution establishing emergency response zones, designating primary response agencies, and setting out provisions authorizing the establishing of subscription and response fees are hereby adopted this 19<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2011.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this Resolution shall take effect from and after its adoption, the public welfare requiring it. This resolution shall be spread upon the minutes of the Board of County Commissioners.

**Pursuant To The Rules Of The Commission, This Resolution Is Sponsored By The Following Members Of The Weakley County Board Of County Commissioners:**

SPONSORED BY:

*Kevin McAlpin*

SPONSORED BY:

*Earl Wright*

ACKNOWLEDGED AND APPROVED:

*Jack Vincent*  
Chairman, Public Safety Committee

Motion made by Commissioner Vincent that the  
foregoing resolution be adopted: Motion seconded by Commissioner McAlpin.

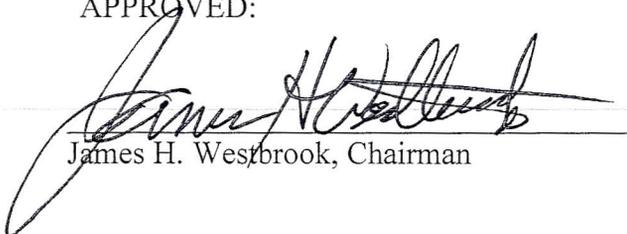
Upon being put to a <sup>voice</sup> ~~roll-call~~ vote, Motion carried by a vote of

18 Yeas, 0 Nays, 0 Passed and 0 Absent.

ATTESTED:

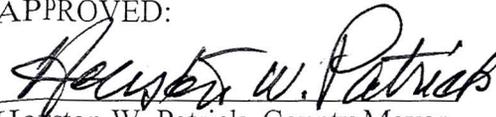
  
Pat Scarborough, County Clerk

APPROVED:

  
James H. Westbrook, Chairman

THIS THE 19th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2011.

APPROVED:

  
Houston W. Patrick, County Mayor

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Houston W. Patrick, County Mayor

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Listed below are the Fire Departments in Weakley County that are  
for this resolution.

Palmersville FD

*Jim David Lane*

Como/Ore Springs FD

*Michael O'Shea*

Dresden FD

*Paul R. Huthen*

Latham FD

*Roni Lyons*

Greenfield FD

*Pat Webb*

Gleason FD

*Gerry Cornell*

Sidonia FD

*Don Luffie*

Sharon FD

*Mark Dea*

Pillowville FD

*Lynn Seabolt*

Martin FD

*Russell Bell*

Forestry

*Dennis W. Anderson*

WCRS

*John T. Weller*

911

*Jim Hester*