

**WEAKLEY COUNTY, TENNESSEE  
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

**Wednesday, September 3, 2025 – 9:00 A.M. – Conference Room, Weakley County Highway  
Department, Dresden, TN**

**Public Works Committee Members Present:** Commissioners Jimmy Westbrook, Billy Hazlewood, Dennis Doster, Gary Eddings, John Robert Freeman, and Larry Taylor

**Public Works Committee Members Absent:** Commissioner Marcus Hopper

**I. CALL TO ORDER – APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chairperson Westbrook called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and called for the consideration of the minutes from the meeting which was held on April 22, 2025. Commissioner Donaldson made the motion to approve, and with a second by Commissioner Doster, the motion passed unanimously.

**II. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Thomas: Chairperson Westbrook recognized Thomas (LNU). Thomas advised he would like to have his road maintained by the county. Highway Supervisor Jeff Cosby was recognized and advised Thomas's road was not considered a road and it is not on the Highway Department's road list to maintain. Supervisor Cosby explained he cannot do work on a road that is not listed on the Highway Department road list.

Donny Blackwell: Chairperson Westbrook recognized Donny Blackwell. Blackwell advised he resides on Harris Road. The Mennonites are building a community in his area. Their main transportation is by horse or by horse drawn buggies. Blackwell is asking that the county erect road signs to caution drivers of horses and horse drawn buggies being on the roads. Highway Supervisor Jeff Cosby was recognized and advised that the county would need to consult with the county attorney to make sure the county is not opening themselves up for a liability if the signs were erected. Commissioner Eddings made motion to table the discussion until the commission can speak with CTAS, the county attorney, and get pricing for approximately 6 new road signs, with a second from Commissioner Donaldson, the topic was tabled until next Public Works meeting scheduled on September 15, 2025 at 4:45 p.m.

**III. OLD BUSINESS**

Chairperson Westbrook advised that the Private Act needs to be filed with the State of Tennessee by Representative Tandy Darby.

**IV. NEW BUSINESS**

**Resolution No. 2026-09 Resolution Authorizing Budget Amendments to the Highway Fund for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2026:** Commissioner Doster made a motion to place the resolution on the floor, and with a second from Commissioner Freeman, the resolution was opened for discussion. Weakley County Road Supervisor, Jeff Cosby was recognized. Supervisor Cosby explained that the highway department has received additional state aid money that needed to be added to the budget. The resolution passed unanimously.

**V. OTHER BUSINESS**

None

**VI. ADJOURN**

Seeing no other business, Chairperson Westbrook made a motion to recess the meeting until September 15, 2025 at 4:45 p.m.

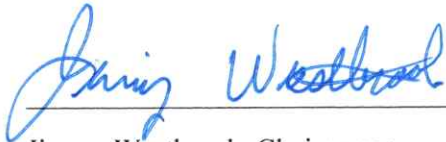
Respectfully Submitted,



Melinda Parham, Secretary

Public Works Committee

Approved:



Jimmy Westbrook, Chairperson

Public Works Committee

Date: 10/28/25