

WEAKLEY COUNTY LEGISLATIVE BODY MEETING

MAY 15, 2006

The Weakley County Legislative Body met in Regular Session on May 15, 2006, at 5:30 p.m. in the County Commission room at the Weakley County Courthouse. Chairman Dick Phebus called the meeting to order.

Commissioner Buckley gave the invocation.

All members present gave the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

County Clerk, Pat Scarbrough called the Roll with 17 members present and one member, Bob Gardner absent.

Chairman Phebus called for a motion to approve the Minutes from the March 27, 2006 meeting. Commissioner Jones made the Motion and Commissioner Buckley placed a second to the Motion. There was a voice vote taken and the ayes carried with none opposed. The minutes of the March 27, 2006 meeting were approved.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION:

Finance Director, Shawn Francisco and the Weakley County Finance Office, presented a presentation and application to the Government Finance Office Association to receive the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award. The office has been notified and a plaque has been presented to the Finance Office, Chairman Phebus presented this plaque to the Finance Director, Shawn Francisco. Chairman Phebus commented that this award would not have been possible without some efforts from members of the Weakley County Commission and the hard work of Mrs. Francisco and the office staff from the Finance Office.

ELECTION, APPOINTMENTS AND CONFIRMATIONS:

The appointment to the Board of Equalization was first under this item. County Mayor Gifford at the request of David Tuck, Assessor of Property recommended the Commission approve Roger Reed of Gleason, Dee Killingsworth of Palmersville, Beckie Jolley of Dresden, Bobbi Nethery of Martin and Randy Huffstetler of Greenfield. Commissioner Owens made a motion and a second was placed by Commissioner Stewart to approve these appointments. Discussion was called and a Roll Call was taken with 17 ayes and one member absent. The appointments were approved for a term of two years beginning in May 2006.

The next item was the Election of Notaries Public. Commissioner Wright made a motion and Commissioner Sinclair placed a second. A voice vote was taken and the ayes carried with none opposed. The list for Notaries Public was approved.

REPORTS:

The Trustee's Report, General Fund Report, Highway Department Report, School Department Report, Solid Waste Report and the General Debt Service Report were included in the packets. Chairman Phebus called for any standing committee reports. Commissioner Jones made a motion and a second was placed by Commissioner Page to accept these reports as filed. Discussion was called and a voice vote was taken with the ayes carrying and none opposed, the motion carried. The Report was accepted as filed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-50: Litter Grant Resolution – Highway Department.

Chairman Phebus called for a motion to place the Resolution on the floor, Commissioner Rook made the motion, and Commissioner Baltz placed the second. A committee Report was called for from the Public Works Committee and Commissioner Rook commented that this Resolution passed his Committee with four ayes and two absent. Chairman Phebus gave the Finance Ways and Means Committee Report and he commented that this passed his Committee unanimously. Discussion and the question were called. The County Clerk, Pat Scarbrough called the Roll with 17 ayes and one absent. The motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-51: Budget Amendment – Highway Department.

Commissioner Westbrook made a motion to combine Resolutions No. 51 and 52. Commissioner Owen placed a second to the motion. A voice vote was taken; the ayes carried with none opposed. Resolution No. 2006-51 and 2006-52 were combined. Resolution No. 2006-52 deals with a budget amendment for the Highway Department also.

Commissioner Hunt made a motion to place No. 51 and 52 on the floor for discussion and Commissioner Owen placed a second. A Committee Report was called for from the Public Works Committee and Commissioner Rook commented that No. 51 passed with 4 ayes and two absent. Resolution No. 52 passed with 6 ayes and none opposed. Chairman Phebus commented that both Resolutions passed his committee unanimously. Discussion and the question were called and the County Clerk called the Roll with 17 ayes and one absent. The motion carried and Resolution No. 51 and 52 carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 53: Resolution To Amend The Weakley County Strategic Economic Development Plan.

Chairman Phebus called for a Motion to place this Resolution on the floor. Commissioner Page made the Motion and Commissioner Jones placed a second. Chairman Phebus called for committee reports from the Health, Education and Economic Development committee. Commissioner Westbrook commented that this passed his committee with four ayes, none opposed and two absent. Discussion was called and Commissioner Vincent had some questions regarding this Resolution. Commissioner Vincent questioned about the Urban Growth Boundaries and if this was not covered under Urban Growth. Commissioner Page commented on the pros and cons. Commissioner Page went on to talk about the twenty-year land use plan and that Weakley County does not have a land use plan; Weakley County is one of 13 counties that have not implemented a plan. There was further discussion between Commissioner Vincent, Commissioner Page and some comments from Commissioner Westbrook. The question was called and the County Clerk called the Roll with 14 ayes, two nays, one pass and one absent. The motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 54: Resolution Authorizing Budget Amendments To the School Federal Projects Fund.

Commissioner Westbrook made a motion to combine Resolution No. 54 and 55 together. Commissioner Jones placed a second to the Motion. A voice vote was taken and the ayes carried with none opposed. Resolution No. 54 and 55 were combined. Resolution No. 55 deals with authorizing Budget amendments to the

General Purpose School Fund. Commissioner Sinclair made a motion to place the Resolutions on the Floor and Commissioner Buckley placed a second to the Motion. Commissioner Westbrook gave the committee report from the Health, Education and Economic Development Committee. These resolutions passed this committee with four ayes, no nays and two absent. Chairman Phebus gave the Finance Ways and Means Report and this Resolution passed his committee unanimously. Discussion and the Question were called and the County Clerk, Pat Scarbrough called the Roll with 17 ayes and one absent. Resolution No. 54 and 55 carried.

Chairman Phebus called for any other new business to come before the County Commission.

Commissioner Westbrook commented upon a letter sent to the County Mayor Gifford from James Dickson, Commander of the Disabled American Veterans, Weakley County Chapter No. 98. This letter was concerning the future of the county owned building located at 201 North Poplar Street in Dresden (Old Weakley County Jail). Mr. Dickson commented that it was with deep regret that they no longer have the personnel necessary to operate the store. The high operating cost involved in keeping the store open was another factor mentioned in the letter. Mr. Dickson requested that they be released from the lease agreement with the county, due to the above reasons stated. Chairman Phebus referred this to the Health, Education and Economic Development Committee to look into the future of this facility.

MISCELLANEOUS STATEMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Chairman Phebus recognized the Democratic Nominee for County Mayor, Mr. Houston Patrick, from the May Primary. He also congratulated the other primary winners in the May Primary Election and wished them luck in the August Election.

Chairman Phebus commented that the Finance Ways and Means and Health, Education and Economic Development Committees would be meeting jointly on May 25 at 4:00 p.m. to look at the Budget. The public is welcome to attend this meeting.

Chairman Phebus commented that the next Regular Meeting would be on June 26, 2006 at 5:30 p.m.

County Mayor Gifford commented on the West Tennessee River Basin Authority letter that was included with the packets, he encouraged all to read this letter.

Commissioner Sinclair made a motion to adjourn and Commissioner Hunt placed a second. There was a voice vote taken and the ayes carried with none opposed. The County Legislative Body stood adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Pat Scarbrough, County Clerk