

**WEAKLEY COUNTY, TENNESSEE
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
January 23, 2008; 4:30 P.M.**

Public Safety Members Present: Commissioners Roger Stewart, Jack Vincent, Earl Wright, John Salmon, and Kevin McAlpin.

Public Safety Members Present: Commissioner Don Malone.

The Public Safety Committee met on January 23, 2008 at 4:30 p.m. at the Weakley County Department of Finance in the conference room. Others present Shawn Francisco-Director of Finance, County Mayor Houston Patrick, Sheriff Mike Wilson, Circuit Court Clerk Pam Belew, Keith Jones-Juvenile Service Officer, Jamison Peevyhouse-911 Director, and Mark Seat-EMA.

Chairman Jack Vincent called the meeting to order.

OLD BUSINESS:

Commissioner Stewart made the motion to approve the November 14, 2007 minutes and with a second by Commissioner Salmon the motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Transfer 0708-10

The Juvenile Service office requests the transfer of funds in the meth pilot grant. The transfer has been previously approved by the FWM Committee. Commissioner Stewart made the motion to approve the transfer and with a second by Commissioner Wright the motion passed unanimously.

Resolution #2008-22

The resolution is presented as a request from the Carl Perkins Center to increase the funding from Weakley County by enacting a \$45 fine, on all cases of the general session court except speeding tickets, of which Weakley County would keep \$3, the remaining \$42 to be sent to the Carl Perkins Center in Martin to be used to assist Weakley County victims. The resolution did not receive a second motion at the FWM Committee. Discussion continued. A roll call vote was taken, with 4 voting Yes and 1 Pass. The resolution was approved.

EMA Director

County Mayor Patrick addressed the committee; he began by stating that TEMA officials recently visited Weakley County conveying the message that Weakley County was in danger of not being fully funded with state and federal TEMA dollars. County Mayor Patrick surveyed the surrounding counties and concludes that a full time Emergency Management (EMA) Director is prevalent in surrounding counties that receive more TEMA & FEMA funds than Weakley County does with only a part-time EMA Director. It is County Mayor Patrick's recommendation that Weakley County begin the process to make the Weakley County EMA Director a full time position beginning July 1, 2008. Until that time,

County Mayor Patrick stated that it is his recommendation to appoint Jamison Peevyhouse to serve as the temporary EMA Director until June 30, 2008. County Mayor Patrick continued stating that Mr. Peevyhouse has volunteered to serve without pay. County Mayor Patrick along with the committee members commended Mark Seat on his role as Weakley County EMA Director and the many things that Mr. Seat has accomplished. Discussion continued. Chairman Vincent and Commissioner Stewart stated the EMA full time position could not be decided now; the full time request should be place in the upcoming 2008-2009 fiscal year budget.

Commissioner Wright made the motion to adjourn and with a second by Commissioner McAlpin the meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Approved:

Jack Vincent, Chairman
Public Safety Committee

Date: _____