

**WEAKLEY COUNTY, TENNESSEE  
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE  
JUNE 4, 2008, 4:30 p.m.**

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

**Public Safety Members Absent:** Commissioner John Salmon.

The Public Safety Committee met on Wednesday, June 4, 2008 at 4:30 p.m. at the Weakley County Department of Finance in the conference room. Others present included Shawn Francisco-Director of Finance, Keith Jones-Juvenile Service Officer, Jamison Peevyhouse-EMA & 911 Director, Judge Tommy Moore, Pam Belew-Circuit Court Clerk, and Sheriff Mike Wilson.

Chairman Jack Vincent called the meeting the order.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Commissioner Wright made the motion to approve the May 27, 2008 minutes with a second by Commissioner Stewart the motion passed unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Transfer 0708-34**

The purpose of the transfer is move funds in the dues line item for the General Sessions Judge. Commissioner Wright made the motion to approve the budget transfer and with a second by Commissioner Stewart the motion passed unanimously.

**Transfer 0708-35**

The purpose of the transfer is to move funds in the Sheriff and Detention Center budgets. Utility prices rose due to the increase in inmates. Commissioner McAlpin made the motion to approve the budget transfer and with a second by Commissioner Wright the motion passed unanimously.

**Resolution #2008-47**

The resolution regards T.C.R.S. retirement change in deputies. Commissioner Stewart made the motion to put the resolution on the floor for discussion only and second by Chairman Vincent the motion passed. Mandatory retirement age is 60 for patrol officers or 55 years with 25 years service. Creating a bridge that pays the difference until a person reaches 62 years and draws Social Security from the federal government was discussed. This would not affect jailers. There would be a 3.5% increase for the county retirement contribution for certified officers. Discussion continued. Commissioner Stewart asked whether the Sheriff preferred the passage of this resolution or pay increase for next fiscal year. Sheriff Wilson recommended passage of the resolution. Chairman Vincent suggested review. Commissioner Stewart made the motion to table the resolution. Commissioner Wright made a second to the motion and it passed unanimously.

**Resolution #2008-48**

Commissioner Stewart made the motion to put the resolution on the floor for discussion only and second by Commissioner Wright the motion passed. The purpose of the resolution is to move the Sheriff from Group 1 to Group 2. Sheriff Wilson explained that 1996 addressed sheriffs with service until 1976 could move to Group 2. Sheriff Wilson is the only Sheriff in the State of Tennessee that is not a Group 2 Participant. This will cost the County a one-time estimated fee of \$36,000 while Wilson will have a personal cost of \$10,000. Commissioner McAlpin made the motion to approve the resolution and with a second by Commissioner Stewart the motion passed unanimously.

**Budgets 08-09 FY**

**122-Drug Control Fund Budget 08-09 FY**

Sheriff Wilson addressed the committee. Sheriff Wilson agreed to add funds to purchase two vehicles in the amount of \$50,000 out of the 08-09 FY budge, the Sheriff's general fund budget will be reduced by like amount.

**Sheriff & Detention Center Budget 08-09 FY**

Sheriff Wilson will reduce line item 54110.718 by \$50,000. Commissioner Stewart made the motion to reduce line item 54110.187 to \$3,000 and with a second by Commissioner McAlpin the motion passed. Commissioner Stewart made the motion to approve the budget and with a second by Commissioner McAlpin. Line item 54210.207 shows a 7% employee insurance and line item 54210.340 will be reimbursed by the State. Food cost is \$1.70 per day per inmate. Payments made to Volunteer Community Hospital within 120 days from the date of service may be paid less a 40% discount.

**Drug Court Program Budget 08-09 FY**

Judge Moore proposed an increase to line item 54110.106 DCP in the amount of \$5,000 for Dr. Johnnie Welch. Line item 54110.169 DCP, part-time personnel works with drug court participants. Commissioner Stewart made the motion to tentatively approve and with a second by Commissioner McAlpin the motion passed unanimously.

**Circuit Court Budget 08-09 FY**

Commissioner McAlpin began discussion of the new position needed. Circuit Court Clerk Pam Belew explained that period of time having one temporary person to work until the full staff returns. Line item 53100.168 will be needed for temporary personnel. Commissioner McAlpin requested temporary full-time position be addressed for next time.

**Juvenile Budget 08-09 FY**

Keith Jones expressed the need for two additional employees from the Truancy Budget. Due to the elimination of this budget by the State, three positions were lost and he requests two funded positions. Discussion continued. Commissioner Stewart made the motion to send the \$275,000 budget to the FWM Committee and with a second by Commissioner McAlpin the motion passed.

Commissioner Stewart made the motion to adjourn and with a second by Commissioner Wright the meeting adjourned at 5:53 p.m.

Approved:

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Jack Vincent, Chairman  
Public Safety Committee

Date: \_\_\_\_\_