

TOWN of WOOLSEY

Regular Meeting

March 14, 2016

Mayor Laggis opened the meeting at 7:01pm. In attendance were Councilman Gilson, Councilman Carden and Councilman Wright. Also in attendance were Mr. Ron Smith and several other local citizens. The minutes from February's meeting were approved as Councilman Carden made such a motion and was seconded by Councilman Wright.

Financial Report

In the operating account income was the following: Alcohol Tax - \$341.52 Insurance Business License Fees - \$75.00, EMC Franchise Fee - \$7177.26, Occupational Tax - \$100.00 and Interest - \$1.09. Total Income was \$7694.87. The expenses were the following: Clerk - \$300.00, Lawn Care - \$300.00, Rent - \$50.00, AT&T - 446.04, Becker and Associates - \$1500.00 and Legal Ad - \$40.00. Total expenses were \$2236.04. The ending balance is \$67,943.96. There were no expenses in the building account and the only income was interest of \$2.87. The ending balance is \$22,530.75. Councilman Gilson made the motion to accept the financial report and was seconded by Councilman Carden.

Old Business

1. Woolsey Project Update – Mayor Laggis and Mr. Smith have had several meetings with Ms. Becker and others in regards to this project. Ms. Becker has provided all of the Councilmen a list of all that she and her team have done in regards to this project. A Facebook page is ready to go live as soon as they hear back from county health department about the number of people that could be in building at any given time. This could determine possible uses for building. Also, interest has been shown, by people in the community, for making this project a pilot project for a historic preservation committee for the entire county. This could be a win-win for Woolsey, as the group would make sure that the project gets completed, they would administer the associated non-profit, there would be a bigger base for fund raising... All of the Councilmen appeared to be in favor of this as long as the town's interest is protected. There is talk of a SPLOST referendum for the November ballot. If this occurs and it passes, the town's share could be used for the construction or on-going maintenance costs of the building.

2. Rezoning Hearing Plans – Councilman Carden has made sure that Colin Edwards knows that the hearing is being held at the lodge and that he

needs to bring all of the relevant materials as was requested. Mayor Laggis informed the Council that the hearing could be continued if further questions need to be asked or resolved. Once the hearing is closed however, a vote must take place within 30 days. Mayor Laggis discussed a letter that he received from a Fayetteville resident in regards to the historical value of the property. One of the attendees asked if the town has a historical preservation overlay and the answer was no, just some conceptual ideas of how the look of the town should be maintained. Mr. Edwards will speak first at the hearing and then it will be opened up to questions and comments from the public. The people will be asked to step up front and have their name and address written on a card. Councilman Wright asked if the resident's of Woolsey will be able to comment/ask first and Mayor Laggis said that anyone who wants to speak will have the opportunity.

3. Drainage Repair Update – Will be completed within the next couple of weeks.

New Business

1. SPLOST – See above.
2. Fayette Forward Conference – Fayette County has the highest rate in the country of Millenials leaving and not returning. Also, the highest rate of Baby Boomers.
3. Law Enforcement Banquet Attendees – Mayor Laggis and Councilman Wright.
4. Statewide Mutual Aid & Assistance Agreement – Signed by Council.
5. Comprehensive Plan – Jarrod Lombard from GMA will be meeting with Mayor Laggis and Councilman Gilson this week. Councilman carden will be the sub.
6. Report on Agreed Upon Procedures – Motion stay with same Accountant was made by Councilman Wright and seconded by Councilman Gilson.

With no more business to come before the council, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stacey Collins, Town Clerk