

# TOWN of WOOLSEY

## Regular Meeting

May 16, 2016

Mayor Laggis opened the meeting at 6:59. In attendance were Councilman Gilson, Councilman Carden and Councilman Wright. Also in attendance were Mr. Ron Smith, Mr. Bill Ballard and Sheriff's Officer Jimmy Price. Officer Price gave a Traffic Survey Analysis Report from Highway 92. Survey ran from April 19 thru May 12. Average speed from 47, 688 cars was 42mph with the maximum being 78mph. This was the first study using this technology, so nothing to compare it to.

Mr. Ballard expressed some final questions and concerns regarding the proposed Dollar General and the way the process was handled. Mostly he wishes that if the Council knew that it was not going to be approved, that the Council should have put "the brakes on earlier". Councilman Carden explained that the Council had to give the proposal "Due Process" before a decision could be made.

Councilman Wright made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting in March and was seconded by Councilman Carden. Councilman Gilson made the motion to approve the minutes from April's meeting and was seconded by Councilman Wright. The minutes from the hearing were approved by a motion made by Councilman Gilson and were seconded by Councilman Carden.

### Financial Report

In the operating account income was the following: Alcohol Tax - \$604.16 and Interest - \$1.08. The expenses were the following: Clerk - \$300.00, Lawn Care - \$300.00, AT&T - 48.80, Donation to Lodge - \$100.00, Strategic Planning Initiative - \$698.40, Applied Environmental Services - \$350.00, Becker and Associates - \$1500.00 and Legal Ad - \$10.00. The ending balance is \$65,708.58. There were no expenses in the building account and the only income was interest of \$2.69. The ending balance is \$22,536.31. Councilman Carden made the motion to accept the financial report and was seconded by Councilman Gilson.

### Old Business

1. Woolsey Project Update – Mayor Laggis and Mr. Smith have met with Ms. Becker and her team. Since project could possibly be funded by a countwide SPI OST, a decision was made to suspend the contract

between the Town of Woolsey and Heidi Becker and Associates until after the election in November. At that time, if it passes, the last payment of \$1800 will be forgiven. If SPLOST referendum fails, then we will pick up where we left off and only 5 months will be lost.

2. SPLOST – Councilman Carden made a motion allowing Mayor Laggis to sign a SPLOST resolution on the Council’s behalf and was seconded by Councilman Wright.

### New Business

1. Resolution #2016-03 – Resolution was approved 3-0.

2. Website/County Branding – Mayor Laggis, Neva Burke and Clerk met with Carlotta Ungaro, the President of the Fayette County Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber is working on countywide branding and would like the Town of Woolsey to be a part of that. Heidi Becker’s group could help out with the website, in conjunction with the Woolsey Project. Ms. Burke has experience with websites and would be willing to assist.

3. Fayette County Development Authority – Working to promote the county to bring in large-scale industrial type businesses. Looking for all entities to help with costs. If the Council agrees to participate, the share for Woolsey in the next budget cycle could be approximately \$600.

4. Other – The new voter registration cards have the municipal elections at our old location. Clerk needs to contact Elections Office to have that changed.

Councilman Wright and Mayor Laggis went to the Town Hall/Community Center in Brooks where Councilman Wright took some pictures. The rental fee is \$70 with a \$150 deposit.

With no more business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:26.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stacey Collins, Town Clerk