

TOWN of WOOLSEY

Regular Meeting

January 8, 2024

Mayor Laggis administered the Oath of Office to Councilman Carden and Councilman Wright. Councilman Smith made a motion to nominate Councilman Carden as Mayor Pro Tem. Councilman Wright seconded the motion and Councilman Carden concurred. Motion passed unanimously. Carden was then sworn in as Mayor Pro Tem.

Mayor Laggis opened the Public Hearing for the FY2024 Budgets and the STWP.

Councilman Smith made a motion to change the verbiage on the agenda to read FY2024 instead of FY2023. Councilman Carden seconded the motion and Councilman Wright concurred. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Laggis reported that usage fees for the Community Center were down, predominantly from a bible study class not meeting there as often. The budget should reflect that and be changed to \$5,000, with the corresponding change to admin costs so as to be balanced. He also mentioned that at the December meeting, the Council tabled the possibility of making a donation to Friends of Historical Woolsey until Councilman Smith could be present. Councilman Smith responded by saying that the Council should make a contribution and it should come from the Operating Account, as it is the "Town people's money". Councilman Wright commented that it needs to be an appropriate amount. Councilman Carden agreed and thought that \$3,000. Mayor Laggis noted that the objectives of this non-profit fits with the Comprehensive Plan. Councilman Smith made a motion to make a contribution to Friends of Historical Woolsey in the amount of \$3,000. He was seconded by Councilman Wright and Councilman Carden concurred. Motion passed unanimously.

The hearing on the STWP was next. Changes include the following:

- Completion year for the tree preservation ordinance was changed to 2024.
- Social Media channels was changed to Communication channels.
- New Item – Study potential annexation needs or opportunities.
- New Item – Research owner of lot located behind our parking lot.

Mayor Laggis closed the Public Hearings and opened the monthly meeting at 7:46 pm.

Agenda Changes

Noted above.

Minutes of Prior Meeting

Councilman Wright noted the following changes:

- Hey should be they
- Maor should be Mayor
- Need to add the discussion that was had with the County representatives in regards to the closing of Hampton Rd East during the construction of the roundabout.

Councilman Wright made a motion to accept the December minutes with the proposed corrections. He was seconded by Councilman Carden and Councilman Smith abstained. Motion passed.

Financial Report

Councilman Carden made the motion to approve the Financial Report. Councilman Smith seconded him and Councilman Wright concurred. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

1. Transportation Committee Update – Next meeting will be on January 9th. Mayor Laggis said that he had previously sent the traffic numbers from Hampton Rd East. The counter was only up for one day (multiple days would provide better information) but that day showed a count of 6,490. Councilman Carden hoped that the roundabout may stop some of the truck traffic, although Councilman Wright thought that it may get worse due to the Target Distribution Center by the Atlanta Motor Speedway. Both Councilman Wright and Mayor Laggis commented about the presence of the Georgia State Patrol in the parking lot of the fire station.

2. Other – None

New Business

1. Resolution #2024-01 Resolution to adopt the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget for the Town of Woolsey, Georgia – Councilman Wright made a motion to approve Resolution #2024-01 as written. He was seconded by Councilman Smith and Councilman Carden concurred. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Resolution #2024-02 – Resolution to adopt the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget for the Woolsey Community Center - Councilman Wright made a motion to approve Resolution #2024-02 as written. He was seconded by Councilman Smith and Councilman Carden concurred. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Resolution #2024-03 – Transmittal Resolution for Capital Improvements/STWP - Councilman Wright made a motion to approve Resolution #2024-03 as written. He was seconded by Councilman Smith and Councilman Carden concurred. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Other – None

Public Comment

None

With no more business to come before the Council, Councilman Wright made the motion to adjourn. He was seconded by Councilman Carden and Councilman Smith concurred. The meeting adjourned at 8:02.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stacey Collins, Town Clerk