

TOWN of WOOLSEY

Regular Meeting

September 14, 2015

Mayor Laggis called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. In attendance were Councilmen Jack Gilson, Frank Carden and Kenny Wright. Also present was Mr. Ron Smith and Mr. Ken Collins who is a grant writer. Mr. Collins explained the procedures, to the council, of obtaining grants to be used to renovate the building. He emphasized that it is not a fast process. It might take months. Also, all grants are matching, and loan money cannot be used as the matching portion. Most applications require the following information: the objective, the plan, the fulfillment of plan (engineering views), the budget (must spend all of the money), the funding sources, and the closeout. Mr. Collins charges a fee of 5% of the total grant, with 1% at the submission and the rest at time of receiving the money, with a maximum of \$5000. He is going to look into what grants are currently available and what the matching amounts are. Must have the match in hand before receiving the grant. Money can be raised or donated. Mayor Laggis mentioned that the Department of Agriculture has low interest loans that can be financed over 40 years. Need to decide if want to go with loan or grants. Mr. Collins will report back to the council on what he finds out regarding availability.

The minutes from August's meeting were approved, with Councilman Carden making the motion and Councilman Gilson seconding it.

Financial Report

In the operating account income was the following: Alcohol Tax - \$409.85 and Interest - \$.94. Total Income was \$410.79. The expenses were the following: Clerk - \$300.00, Lawn Care - \$300.00, Rent - \$50.00, ATT- \$61.86 and Legal Ad - \$20.00. Total expenses were \$731.86. The ending balance is \$54,765.78. There were no expenses in the building account and the only income was interest of \$2.87. The ending balance is \$22,513.90. Councilman Gilson made the motion to accept the financial report and was seconded by Councilman Wright.

Old Business

1. Building Update – See above.

2. Dollar General – Councilman Carden reported that Collin Edwards received approval from the DOT for the curb cuts so he is ready to proceed. Councilman Carden will put him in touch with Bill Johnston, the town planner, who will inform the council if they have enough information to move to the next phase of the process.

New Business

1. Dedication of Veterans Park – Saturday, September 26th.
2. Other – Holiday Breakfast – Saturday, December 5th

With no more business to come before the council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:08pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stacey Collins, Town Clerk