

TOWN of WOOLSEY

Regular Meeting

July 21, 2025

Mayor Laggis opened the monthly meeting at 7:00 pm. Steve Allen from the Fayette County Republican Party came in front of the Council to say that they are looking for door-to-door canvassing volunteers. Nancy Holland is the Precinct Chair.

Agenda Changes

Councilman Wright requested to add Newsletter to be added to the agenda. Councilman Smith made the motion to add it and he was seconded by Councilman Carden. Councilman Wright concurred and the motion passed unanimously.

Minutes of Prior Meeting

Councilman Wright made a motion to accept the June and July minutes. He was seconded by Councilman Carden and Councilman Smith concurred. Motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report

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

Old Business

1. Tree Ordinance – Councilman Carden spoke about the ordinance that he had received from the Town of Brooks. He had also looked at the County's tree ordinance. The one from Brooks was more applicable to Woolsey; however, it is set-up for new developments as well as existing residential and we are looking just at new developments. Councilman Wright wondered why the ordinance specifically references certain types of trees. Guesses included that the diameter stays smaller and/or native to the area. Mayor Laggis asked Councilman Carden to find out what Brooks defined as "development".

2. Disrepaired Home – Councilman Carden reported back to Council that he had reached out to the resident's uncle again and was told that he had mentioned the Town's concerns to him and given him the Councilman's contact information. The resident never reached out. Councilman Carden spoke again to the uncle, who gave the Councilman the resident's phone number which the Councilman used to text the resident with no response again. Similar to the last meeting, the discussion revolved around the rights of the property owner and the steps that the Town should take. One consensus was that this one property should not be singled out as there are others in the town that are in similar shape. The Council thought that a work session with the Leslie Niebor from the County should be the next step.

3. Hazard Mitigation Project Update – Councilman Wright went to the meeting with the County and told the Council that the committee wrapping up the project list prioritization. The only one that affected Woolsey was the roundabout. He was able to tell the Council that there is an ambulance that will be housed at the Fire Station in Woolsey and will be fully staffed in the near future.

4. Annexation – Councilman Smith said that he has spoken to Maurice in regards to the annexation request and that there was an application that the requester needed to fill out and turn in. The requester has been made aware and they will get it to the Council.

Other – none

New Business

1. 6-Month Financial Review – Mayor Laggis commented that we are slightly ahead on income and slightly below on expenses, which is a good thing.

2. Other – Mayor Laggis announced that, after 38 years as Mayor (1988-2025), he has decided to not run for re-election. His term will be up on 12/31/2025.

Councilman Wright is readying the next newsletter. In the newsletter he will once again ask if the citizens would rather have it emailed to them, as the cost of the newsletter (paper, envelopes and postage) are all increasing.

Public Comment

Lieze Harris, who lives in the Town of Brooks, mentioned that the tree ordinance should clearly define “dead trees” as there was an issue in Brooks in regards to this.

With no more business to come before the Council, Councilman Wright made the motion to adjourn. He was seconded by Councilman Carden. The meeting adjourned at 8:36.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stacey Collins, Town Clerk