Grant Projects Underway in Falls City

(KLZA)-- Earlier this year, Falls City received the funds for the Downtown Revitalization Grant projects.

Approximately \$460,000 worth of improvements are planned. Falls City Chamber of Commerce and Main Street Executive Director David Branch said approximately \$240,000 will be used for replacing the sidewalks in the 1600 block of Stone Street. That would leave around \$190,000 for building improvements with the rest going to administrative fees.

Roofs and storefront windows are the top priorities for the buildings. The committee felt if the buildings roof was not in good shape, there is not sense in fixing up the rest of the building. Another committee goal is to make funds available to as many businesses as possible.

The majority of the grant monies have been designated for new sidewalks in the 1600 block of Stone Street. Hope are there is enough money to tear out the current sidewalks and replace them with new sidewalks that will hopefully be 18 inches narrower on both sides. The committee also hopes to have enough money for new light posts in the 1600 block of Stone Street.

An engineer has to develop the sidewalk plans. The sidewalk project must then be re-bid to the engineers specs.

Branch noted that around 14 projects are planned. Hopes are for several of the roof projects to be completed this fall before winter weather hits the area.

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