

Village Board of Aldermen
**Regularly Scheduled Board of Aldermen/Zoning Board of Adjustments
Meeting Minutes**

Municipal Building, 301 N. Stagecoach Rd.
Thursday, November 6, 2014 6:30pm

Members present: Skip Blancett, Fred Brown, Hans Fields, Michael McDougal, Amber Preston Dankert, Frank Coachman

Members Absent: none

Others Present: Kim Foutz - Village Administrator, Debbie Charbonneau – Tourism Director, Lyndsey Barrett – Acting Village Secretary, Jack Hensley - Chief of Police, Kristin Oakes - High School Representative

I. Call To Order : Mayor Blancett called the meeting to order at 6:33pm, quorum present.

1. Pastor Scott Mescher lead the invocation.
2. Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge of Allegiance were recited.

II. Reports:

Mayor's Report: Announced the Sanctuary Development workshop sessions that will be held at the Salado Public Library Community Room. Announced the upcoming Mixer at the office and home of Dr. Willingham on November 13th from 5:30pm-7:00pm. Mayor Blancett invited the public to attend the re-dedication ribbon cutting at the Sculpture Garden on Monday, November 17, 2014 at 5:30 p.m.

Staff updates: Investment Officer Dan Nixon reported on the August Hotel/Motel and General Fund financials. Mr. Nixon reported that Hotel/Motel had no changes. General Fund account revenue will increase once September numbers are confirmed. Mr. Nixon stated that he will present the investment report in December.

Jim Reed: Report on compliant at 220 Royal Street – Mr. Reed stated that he met several times with the owners of The Shed and always found them to be cooperative and respectful and continued to state that the owners have gone above and beyond in their response to a complaint that was unfounded and unprovoked. Mr. Reed stated that after his investigation it showed that The Shed has at all times and in all ways complied with every request made of them during the development and permitting process and that at no times did they seek nor gain concessions from the Village. Mr. Reed also stated that the owners of The Shed were not required to comply with any of the four requests made by the Village; they did so voluntarily and in the spirit of cooperation, at significant expense to themselves. (Full comments on the investigation by Jim Reed are available upon request)

Aldermen Updates:

- **Alderman McDougal:** – N/A
- **Alderman Coachman and Alderman Fields:** Worked with City Administration Committee. Currently have a meeting scheduled for Monday, November 10, 2014 with Kim Foutz and will bring forth recommendations to the Board of Aldermen.
- **Mayor ProTem Brown:** Lights will start going up on Monday on the Civic Center and Tourism Building. A&M will start in spring semester.
- **Alderman Dankert:** N/A

III. Proclamations: N/A

IV. Public Comments:

3. **Earl Williams-** President of the Purple Heart – Doris Williams (wife) – Thanked everyone for making Salado a Purple Heart City.
Susan Terry – 2106 Bluff Circle – invited the public to the Sculpture Garden Re-Dedication on 11/17/14. Mrs. Terry announced that the Sculpture Garden is now a Village Park.
Jim Reed – 11124 Armstrong Road – Congratulated the Board of Aldermen on last week. Mr. Reed stated that there is a great future for Salado.

V. Consent Agenda:

4. *Alderman Fields made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion was seconded by Alderman McDougal, motion passed unanimously.*

VI. Regular Agenda: Miscellaneous

5. *Motion was made by Alderman Coachman to accept the agreement with Keep Salado Beautiful providing programs and services for fiscal year 2014-15 in the amount of \$ 5000.00 with automatic option to renew. Motion was seconded by Alderman Dankert, motion passed unanimously.*
6. *Motion was made by Alderman Coachman to approve the Annual Street Maintenance Program for year 2014/15 as presented and let for bid the process of seal coating and reconstruction as recommended by committee. Motion was seconded by Alderman Fields, motion passed unanimously.*
7. *Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Brown to approve the contract for consultant services between the Village of Salado and the Chamber of Commerce and appoint Alderman McDougal as the Board of Aldermen representative to serve on the Supervisory Board of the Salado Chamber of Commerce and Tourism Convention Visitors Bureau AND directing staff to bring forth, at a future meeting, an agenda item to amend/repeal ordinance #2007.05 related to the Tourism Council. Motion was seconded by Alderman Dankert, motion passed 4 to 1, Alderman Fields voting against.*

VII. Public Hearing: Entered Public Hearing at 7:46 p.m.

8. Open Floor - No public comments
Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Brown to accept variance to sign ordinance 2012.01 allowing a roof mounted sign at 401 South Main Street. Motion was seconded by Alderman McDougal, motion passed unanimously.
9. Open Floor – Jennifer McFarland: Drives past that existing sign every day and said that the sign is not 15 feet tall and is not a danger to traffic.
Cathy Sands: Drives past the existing sign every day and wants to point out if you allow the setback of this sign then you should allow all.
Darlene Walsh: The existing sign was approved by the Board of Aldermen years ago and it was not an issue. The reason the sign was put in that spot was for visibility reasons.
Motion was made by Alderman Fields to accept variance to sign ordinance 2012.01 allowing the placement of a freestanding sign not to exceed 4 feet by 8 feet at 1109 West Village Road. Motion was seconded by Alderman McDougal, motion passed unanimously.

Public Hearing ended at 8:10 p.m.

VIII. Executive Session: Adjourned in Executive Session at 8:15 p.m.

- Discussed Personnel Matters

Reconvened in Regular Session at 8:35 p.m.

10. *Motion was made by Alderman McDougal to approve the staff recommendation to appoint Randy Stoneroad as Village Secretary. Motion was seconded by Alderman Coachman, motion passed unanimously.*
11. *Motion was made by Alderman Coachman based on new agreement between the Salado Chamber of Commerce and Tourism Convention Visitors Bureau that all future hires must involve the Village of Salado Board of Aldermen and the Village Administrator. Motion was seconded by Alderman McDougal, motion passed unanimously.*
12. *Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Brown to approve the staff recommendation to appoint Kerry Phillip as Event Coordinator. Seconded by Alderman Coachman, motion passed 4 to 1, Alderman Dankert voted against.*

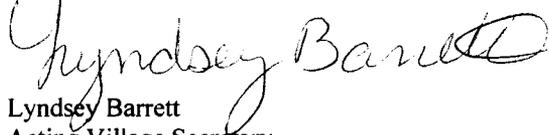
Announcements:

Next Scheduled Board of Aldermen meeting is November 13, 2014.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

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Respectfully submitted,



Lyndsey Barrett
Acting Village Secretary



Skip Blanchett
Mayor