

Village Board of Aldermen
**Regularly Scheduled Board of Aldermen
Meeting Minutes**

Municipal Building, 301 N. Stagecoach Rd.
Thursday, September 19, 2013 6:00pm

Members present: Danney McCort, Shannon Ashe, Hans Fields, Bryan Fritch, Fred Brown, Michael McDougal

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Jim Reed - Village Administrator, Jim Martin - Asst. Village Administrator, Margaret Murray – Village Secretary, Debbie Charbonneau – Tourism Director, Jack Hensley – Chief of Police, citizens: 22

Mayor McCort called the meeting to order at 6:00, quorum present.

The Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge of Allegiance were recited. The invocation was given by Ray Don McIntosh of Salado Church of Christ.

Citizen Comments:

Nicole Stairs, 525 Park Drive, Salado - Reporting on sales tax decline – research shows that the younger crowd coming in looking for entertainment, rather than antiques and artwork. They are more selective on where their money goes. Kudos to Johnny's Outback for providing an option for people to enjoy.

Jim Boynton – 3565 FM 2843, Salado – Reporting on building code issues, lack of fairness of Johnny's Outback permitting process vs. building a home and the requirements therein. Violations of codes are numerous at Johnny's Outback. The Shed is also not being enforced and has violations.

John Jennings – 351 Salado Creek Road, Salado – Issues with building permits for Johnny's Outback and The Shed. (Handouts provided.) He requests investigation of permits issues during Mayor McCort's tenure.

Mayor ProTem Fritch made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes dated September 5th. Motion was seconded by Alderman Fields, motion carried unanimously.

Departmental Reports:

Mayor's Report:

- I35 Construction Update, Update on Salado Road Construction Projects/Lone Star Grading, Dumpster Screening Requirements, Code Enforcement Officer, Annexation/TIRZ

City Administrator's Report:

- Sewer system, Comprehensive Plan, West Side of IH35, Annexation/ TIRZ, Ordinance Committees, Transition from Type B to Type A Municipality

Mayor ProTem Fritch requested condensed information on Type B vs. Type A Municipality from Mr. Reed.

New Business:

1. Year-to-Date Financials

Alderman Peters went over the financials. We will be within budget ceiling for year 2012-2013. There were no objections.

2. Recommendation to Form Subcommittee to Incorporate Changes to Zoning Ordinances *Motion was made by Mayor ProTem Fritch to form a Subcommittee to Incorporate Changes to the Zoning Ordinances. Motion was seconded by Alderman Ashe; motion carried unanimously.*

3. Recommendation to Form Committee on Sewer System – Motion was made by Alderman Brown to form a Committee on the Sewer System Project. Motion was seconded by Alderman McDougal; motion carried unanimously.
4. Adoption of Resolution Appointing Official Newspaper for the Village of Salado Motion was made by Alderman McDougal to adopt Resolution .092 appointing the Salado Village Voice as the Village's official newspaper and Temple Daily Telegram as the secondary official newspaper. Motion was seconded by Alderman Ashe; motion carried unanimously.
5. Adoption of Resolution Adopting an Investment Policy and Investment Officer for Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Motion was made by Alderman McDougal to go into executive session to discuss this item. Motion was seconded by Alderman Brown; motion carried unanimously.
6. Request from Keep Salado Beautiful for \$1000 Tabled pending further documentation

Public Hearing Items:

7. Adoption of 2013-2014 Proposed General Fund and Hotel/Motel Budget Ordinance *Second Reading* Mayor McCort opened the public hearing. There were no comments from the floor. Mayor McCort closed the public hearing. The General Fund budget reflects a \$.12/\$100 ad valorem tax rate and is a deficit budget. Alderman McDougal spoke about the deficit budget, and noted that he felt there was not sufficient time spent by the Board of Alderman on the budget process. Motion was made by Mayor ProTem Fritch to adopt Ordinance No. 2013.07 adopting the 2013-2014 General Fund and Hotel/Motel budgets. Motion was seconded by Alderman Brown; motion carried 5-1 with Alderman McDougal voting against.
8. Adoption of 2013-2014 Proposed Ad Valorem Tax Rate Ordinance *Second Reading* Mayor McCort opened the public hearing. There were no comments from the floor. Mayor McCort closed the public hearing. Motion was made by Alderman Fields to adopt Ordinance No. 2013.06 adopting the 2013-2014 Ad Valorem Tax Rate Ordinance. Motion was seconded by Mayor ProTem Fritch; motion carried unanimously.

Adjourned into Executive Session at 6:56.

Executive Session

1. Investment Officer - Requirement for Village to maintain Investment Officer

Reconvened into Regular Session at 7:13.

Motion was made by Alderman Brown to adopt Resolution .091 (Adoption of Resolution Adopting an Investment Policy and Investment Officer for Fiscal Year 2013-2014) as presented. Motion was seconded by Alderman Fields; motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:16.

Announcements:

1. Next scheduled Board meeting is October 3, 2013 at 6:00PM.

For copies of all handouts, please contact the Village office at 947-5060.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Murray
Village Secretary

Danney McCort
Mayor