

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

Municipal Building, 301 N. Stagecoach Rd.
Thursday, June 19, 2014 6:00pm

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

Members Absent: none

Others Present: Jim Reed - Village Administrator, Margaret Murray - Village Secretary, Jack Hensley - Chief of Police, Debbie Charbonneau - Tourism Director, Citizens: 42

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by Maci Danford. The Texas Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Invocation by Mayor Skip Blancett.

Citizen Comments:

- Tanya Clawson – ACDI – discuss recycling and ACDI proposal to be reviewed under New Business.
- Tim Fleischer – 912 Cedar Park circle – Spoke regarding tax rate. He has reviewed Bellcad, and noted that the Village of Salado tax rate of 12 cents is ¼ of the closest city to us. Others in Bell County are 50 – 85 cents per \$100. His home has dropped in appraised value in past few years by approximately 10%, perhaps by condition of infrastructure along with continued number of vacancies of stores on Main Street and unrealistic budget of the Village. The Village has relied on sales tax for as long as we can. We need a pro business approach so we can rise together.

Alderman Fields made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes dated June 5, 2014. Motion was seconded by Alderman Coachman, motion carried 5-0.

Departmental Reports -

Announcements concerning items of community interest. No action will be taken or discussed.

Mayor's Report: TxDot meeting to be held June 26 6:30pm at SIS drawings, etc. to be provided.

Village Administrator's Report: no report

Tourism Director's Report: Provided number of May guests/overnight stays. TTIA report provided. Salado Friendly. Meeting with Congressman John Carter on July 7 re Brand USA.

Community Organization Reports

Salado Volunteer Fire Department Report: Activity Report / Fire Chief Shane Berrier Report postponed due to illness of Fire Chief Shane Berrier.

New Business:

1. Relocation of Sirena Statue - Artist Troy Kelley discussed Sirena's history and requested permission to move the statue of Sirena to Village Property at southwest side of bridge. This will be placed on agenda for July 10 meeting.
2. Recognition of Salado Recycling Efforts Karen Kinnison and Jay Smith recognized and thanked by Board of Aldermen and Mayor on behalf of the Village of Salado
3. Discuss and take appropriate action on Permit Fee Revisions - *Alderman Dankert made a motion to accept permit fee revisions as put forth. Motion was seconded by Alderman Coachman; motion passed unanimously.*
4. Discuss and take appropriate action on offer by Clawson Disposal to provide Curbside Recycling to Village Residents - *Alderman Dankert made a motion to support the offer by Clawson Disposal to provide Curbside recycling to Village residents. Motion was seconded by Alderman McDougal; motion passed 4-1 with Alderman Fields voting against.*

5. Resolution Amending Authorized Representatives to Act as Custodian for Funds Invested in TexPool - *Mayor ProTem Brown made a motion to accept the Resolution Authorizing Representatives Dan Nixon, Skip Blancett, Fred Brown to Act as Custodian for Funds Invested in TexPool. Motion was seconded by Alderman Fields, motion passed unanimously..*
6. Discuss and take appropriate action on using Hotel/Motel Tax to fund Gateway Sign - *Mayor ProTem Brown made a motion that the \$16,500 shortfall for the Gateway sign be paid from the Village of Salado Tourism budget. Motion was seconded by Alderman McDougal, motion passed unanimously.*
7. Discuss and take appropriate action on Texas Can / Village of Salado CILPEX Purchasing Cooperative - *Alderman McDougal made a motion to approve the request for further information request from CILPEX purchasing cooperative and request a briefing at July 12 workshop. Motion was seconded by Alderman Dankert. Motion amended by Alderman Dankert to request briefing at July 10 workshop. Amendment seconded by Alderman Coachman. Alderman McDougal restated amended motion to approve the request for further information request from CILPEX purchasing cooperative and request a briefing at July 10 workshop. Motion was seconded by Alderman Coachman; motion passed 3-1 with Alderman Fields voting against and Mayor ProTem Brown abstaining*
8. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding Village staffing and evaluations - *Alderman Dankert made a motion to authorize the Village Administrator to redesign the Village of Salado evaluation form and process. Motion was seconded by Alderman Brown; motion passed unanimously. Alderman Coachman made motion to reopen for discussion. Motion was seconded by Alderman McDougal; motion passed unanimously . Discussion only.*

Public Hearing: 7pm

1. Ordinance 2014.04 - Revised Rules for Board of Aldermen Meeting (*second reading*)
- Comments:
Bryan Fritch 2519 Hester Way - Mr. Fritch felt that 7 days for public input was too restrictive.

Alderman Brown made a motion to approve the Ordinance as written. Motion was seconded by Alderman Dankert, motion passed unanimously.

Announcements:

Next Scheduled Board of Aldermen meeting is July 10, 2014. McDougal Fields unanimous.

Alderman McDougal made a motion to adjourn at 7:10pm. Motion was seconded by Alderman Fields, motion passed unanimously.

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Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Murray
Village Secretary

Skip Blancett
Mayor