

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

Municipal Building, 301 N. Stagecoach Rd.  
Thursday, June 5, 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, Dan Nixon - Financial Officer. Citizens: 62

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by Casey Davis. The Texas Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Invocation by Pastor James Haney of Church of Christ, Salado.

**Citizen Comments:**

- Karen Kinnison – 507 San Jose Road, Salado. Keep Salado Beautiful recycling to shut down, perhaps Village can help.
- John Jennings – Salado Creek Road – Congratulations to new Mayor and Board. Discussed issues with prior mayor and building code violations at previous meetings. Has concern regarding the Board of Alderman not acting on comment he had made at previous meetings. Code violations are still being noted for businesses. He would like to help.
- Shannon Ashe – 524 Santa Rosa – On behalf of PALS – discussing tree trimming for Blue Lapis Light group. She would like the Board to approve the tree trimming.
- KD Hill – 1221 Baines – On behalf of PALS – Art should be accessible to everyone. They received grant from Texas Commission on the Arts to Salado. This will be excellent publicity for Salado, as well as unify the Central Texas community. The rigger has agreed that the trees will be fine, we just need to trim the dead branches. This is critical to the performance.

*Alderman Fields made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes dated May 22, 2014. Motion was seconded by Alderman McDougal, motion carried 5-0.*

**Departmental Reports -**

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

**Mayor's Report:** Salado has done great things over the last two months, examples noted: PALS has received grant for Blue Lapis Light, Cefco opened, Vision committee meeting was held, BBQ held for the construction workers on I35, Field day at Elementary school, Pancake breakfast at the Church of Christ, golf course open house. We have volunteers working around the city helping people to do yard work.

**Village Administrator's Report:** no report

**Community Military Partner's Report: 3d Calvary regiment – LtCol Larry Croucher.** Thanks to the village for what we do. Updated on unit's deployment. He is commanding officer for "Ready Detachment", formerly known as Rear Detachment. Looking forward to working with us and will continue to do so,.

**Chief of Police Report:** April Monthly Report – New officer started today. Josh Tulloch from Marlin PD.

**Financial Officer's Report:** April 2014 Village Financials – reformatted reports included in binders.

**Tourism Director's Report:** April 2014 Hotel Motel Financials reviewed, TTIA group coming Sunday.

**Chamber of Commerce Director's Report:** Chamber Update – Dave Hermann – Chamber meets the third Thursday of every month at Visitors bureau office – everyone welcome. Updated on TTIA group coming in Sunday – Tuesday. Ribbon cutting June 10 at Martial Arts. After hours at Johnny's on the 12<sup>th</sup>. Furry Friends coming on the 14<sup>th</sup> at Pace Park. "Ducks" are for sale. New Salado.com website up and running. Brown bag luncheon on June 18 with website designer to update the website for vendors, etc. Nicole going to Chamber school in June. Midnight Madness August 1. Brews and Blues art fair August 9. Lager Slide on Saturday night, Jazz Band during the day. Golf tournament Sept 26 at Mill Creek. Vision committee has developed top three goals --- working together on identifiable goals. Meetings are open to public.

**Resolution**

Resolution Recommending Designation of Salado as a Cultural Arts District). *Mayor Blancett made a motion to accept the resolution as written. Motion was seconded by Alderman Coachman, motion passed unanimously.*

**New Business:**

1. Chisholm Trail Street Rehabilitation Award – *Alderman McDougal made a motion that the Award be given to Lone Star as low bidder. Motion was seconded by Alderman Dankert Motion failed with Aldermen McDougal and Dankert voting for and Mayor ProTem Brown and Aldermen Fields and Coachman voting against.*
2. Approval of Donation of \$500 for gas and maintenance costs for Salado Volunteers- *Mayor ProTem Brown Fred made a motion to approve a donation of \$500 for Salado volunteers. Motion was seconded by Alderman Fields. Motion was amended to approve a reimbursement for expenses of \$400 for Salado volunteers, motion motion passed unanimously.*
3. Main Street Vision Plan – *Mayor ProTem Brown made a motion to approve consideration of the Vision plan during the budget process. Motion was seconded by Alderman Coachman . Motion was amended by Mayor ProTem Brown to recommend that the Main Street Vision project be included in financial discussions for the next fiscal year. Motion was seconded by Alderman Dankert, motion passed unanimously.*
4. Approval of Jani King for Cleaning of Stagecoach Restrooms and Municipal Building - *Alderman McDougal made a motion to approve \$467 monthly payment to Jani King for the cleaning of the Stagecoach restrooms, Municipal Building and Tourism building. Motion was seconded by Mayor ProTem Brown, motion passed 4-1 with Alderman Fields voting against.*
5. Discuss and take appropriate action on Pace Park Tree Trimming for Blue Lapis Light performance - *Alderman Coachman made a motion to have Pace Park trees trimmed up at a cost of up to \$1000. Motion was seconded by Alderman McDougal, motion passed 4-1 with Alderman Dankert abstaining.*
6. Discuss and take appropriate action on Door Hanger Notification Cards to be used by Code Enforcement – *Mayor ProTem Brown made a motion to use the Door Hanger Notification cards, however to revise them to note a 30 day notice period. Motion was seconded by Alderman Coachman, motion passed unanimously.*
7. Discuss and take appropriate action on documents related to operation of the Stagecoach Wastewater Treatment Plant and economic development policy – *Alderman McDougal made a motion to authorize Mayor Blancett and Village Administrator Reed to execute documents as written. Motion was seconded by Mayor ProTem Brown, motion passed unanimously.*
8. Discuss and take appropriate action on Permit Fee Revisions (Village Administrator Reed) – *Alderman Coachman made a motion to postpone item until the meeting of June 19 to allow time to review. Motion was seconded by Alderman Fields, motion passed unanimously.*
9. Consider and take possible action on exception to Fireworks Ordinance for Mill Creek Event - *Alderman Dankert made a motion that the Village grant exception to the fireworks ordinance for Mill Creek's 4<sup>th</sup> of July event. Motion was seconded by Alderman McDougal. Motion was amended by Alderman Dankert to recommend that the Village grant exception to the fireworks ordinance for Mill Creek's 4th of July event, pending that it meets all state laws. Motion was seconded by Alderman McDougal, motion passed unanimously.*

**Public Hearing:**

1. Ordinance 2014.04 - Revised Rules for Board of Aldermen Meeting (first reading)

Alderman Fields made a motion to adjourn at 7:37pm. Motion was seconded by Alderman McDougal, motion passed unanimously.

**Announcements:**

Next Scheduled Board of Aldermen meeting is June 19, 2014.

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Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Murray  
Village Secretary

Skip Blancett  
Mayor