

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

Municipal Building, 301 N. Stagecoach Rd.
Thursday, March 5, 2009
6:00pm

Members present: Merle Stalcup, Curt Strong, Bob Pascoe, Stephen Peters, Carol Walls, Mike Cooper

Members Absent:

Others Present: Dianna Zulauf – Village Secretary, Jack Hensley – Chief of Police, citizens: 12

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

The Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge of Allegiance were recited. Father Grey gave the invocation.

Citizen Comments: None

Alderman Walls made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes dated February 19th. Motion was seconded by Alderman Pascoe, motion carried unanimously.

Chief of Police Report: Chief Hensley went over the February Crime report and the annual Racial Profiling report. See attached.

Report from Tourism Chair: Mayor Stalcup gave the tourism reports in Director Charbonneau's absence. The Keep Salado Beautiful group is planning a Village wide cleanup day on April 4th. They hope to have a shredder available to assist residents with disposing of limbs and debris. Founders Day celebration is still in planning stages. The committee is intending on invite long time Salado residents to be involved in the activities.

- Mayor Report:**
1. Mayor Stalcup and surrounding representatives made a presentation to TxDOT in favor of widening IH35 between 190 in Belton and FM 2484 in Salado. That project and its funding has been approved. Preliminary plans for the widening of IH35 through Salado have been received. A public hearing will need to be held before TxDOT makes a final decision on the project.
 2. Brookshire Brothers held its ground breaking ceremony on Wednesday. Dirt work will begin this Monday. Any damage done to roads from heavy trucks will be repaired by the contractor.
 3. The Civic Center and SISD are in negotiations to turn the Civic Center building back over to the school district. The tourism department is talking with the school about utilizing the building as a convention center.
 4. Mayor Stalcup has received a preliminary 5-year road repair/resurface plan. This plan will be reviewed and then brought to the Aldermen.

5. VMS, the county's IH35 contractor, has added reflective markers to the columns at the intersection of Robertson Road and Main Street in an effort to make the intersection more visible at night.
6. Salado Volunteer Fire Department are working with Mayor Stalcup on ways to reduce the ISO rating in Salado.

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

1. Recommendation from P&Z Commission on Fuller Subdivision Final Plat
A Final Plat of a minor division of property located on Salado Creek Road was presented along with a letter of recommendation from the P&Z Commission to approve the Final Plat known as the Fuller Subdivision.
Motion was made by Alderman Walls to approve the Final Plat as presented known as the Fuller Subdivision. Motion was seconded by Alderman Strong, motion carried unanimously.
2. Consideration of Hiring Another Police Officer
Chief Hensley explained the necessity of hiring a 4th police officer. The position of a 4th officer was budgeted in the '08-'09 budget. Chief Hensley has a candidate in mind, James Blackman. There was some concern regarding the ability to fund a 4th officer in the next fiscal year budget due to decreasing sales tax revenues.
Motion was made by Alderman Strong to hire a 4th officer. Motion was seconded by Alderman Walls, motion carried unanimously.
3. Possible Appointment of Code Official
Alderman Pascoe explained the difference between a Code Officer and a Code Official and pointed out that some of the Village's ordinances require the Village have a Code Official. Alderman Pascoe volunteered to be the Village's Code Official at no cost to the Village. There was some concern regarding possible conflict of interest by having an Alderman act as the Code Official. This issue was postponed pending legal advise.
4. Appointment of Keep Salado Beautiful Director
Alderman Pascoe stated the KSB Director Jack Schrock has resigned from the board. Leigh Bracken has volunteered to take his place as a Director. Tourism Director Charbonneau is the chair of that committee.
Motion was made by Alderman Strong to appoint Leigh Bracken to fill the unexpired term of Jack Schrock as a Director on the Keep Salado Beautiful board. Motion was seconded by Alderman Cooper, motion carried unanimously.
5. Authorization to Sign Contract with Gary P. Nunn for Founders Day Celebration
Alderman Pascoe stated that part of the entertainment planned for the October Founders Day Celebration is a concert by Gary P. Nunn at a cost of \$3,750.00. This is about \$750 over the budgeted line item of Special Projects. Sponsorships will make up the difference.
Motion was made by Alderman Walls to authorize Mayor Stalcup to sign the contract for the performance of Gary P. Nunn at the Founders Day Celebration. Motion was seconded by Alderman Pascoe, motion carried unanimously.

Announcements:

1. Next scheduled Board meeting is March 19, 2009 at 6:00PM.

Motion was made by Alderman Strong to adjourn the meeting at 7:06pm. Motion was seconded by Alderman Pascoe, motion carried unanimously.

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Respectfully submitted,

Dianna Zulauf
Village Secretary

Merle Stalcup
Mayor