

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

Municipal Building, 301 N. Stagecoach Rd.
Thursday, June 17, 2010 6:00pm

Members present: Merle Stalcup, Stephen Peters, Danney McCort, Susan Terry, Carol Walls, Bryan Fritch

Members Absent:

Others Present: Dianna Zulauf – Village Secretary, Debbie Charbonneau – Tourism Director, Jack Hensley – Chief of Police, citizens: 6

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

The Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge of Allegiance were recited. Judy Fields gave the invocation.

Citizen Comments: Hans Fields - a representative of the Research Preservation and Promotion of Historical Areas of Salado, on behalf of Salado Historical Society and TxDOT. Mr. Fields explained the job of the preservation committee is to review and monitor historical area in Salado. The committee asked the Board to have the statue at the green bridge, put up by the Art League without Village permission, removed. Art League has refused to remove the statue. Mr. Fields also asked the Board to revise Section 3.15,I,1 of the Zoning Ordinance making it a requirement that the Historical Society be involved with review for all building, zoning, etc. activities in the Historic District instead of simply authorizing their involvement as currently stated. The Historical Society is requesting a written response from the Board to these requests. These two items will be on the next agenda for discussion.

Alderman McCort made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes dated June 3rd. Motion was seconded by Alderman Walls, motion carried unanimously.

Mayors Report:

Alderman Walls gave a report on Leadership Salado financials and program status.
Alderman Terry will have a report on Keep Salado Beautiful program at the next Board meeting.
Alderman McCort gave a report on the progress of road repairs and tree trimming.
Alderman Fritch gave a report on the status of the electrical upgrade at Pace Park and that he is currently reviewing some policies in the Village's Employee Handbook.

Report from Tourism Chair: Director Charbonneau stated that a monthly one-page newsletter from the tourism department to the businesses will begin this month.

Chief of Police Report: Gave May police report. 172 calls for service, 98% inside city limits. 66 C.O.P.S. man hours during May.

Unfinished Business:

1. Budget Amendment to Include Funds for MMD Feasibility Study, Legal Fees, and Municipal Building Septic Repairs *Second Reading*
Alderman Peters explained the reasons for amending the budget.
Motion was made by Alderman Peters to amend the 2009 - 2010 Village General Fund budget as presented by Ordinance No. 2010.06. Motion was seconded by Alderman McCort; motion carried unanimously.

New Business:

2. Year-to-Date Financials
Alderman Peters went over the financials. Fund balance is healthy. There were no objections. Alderman Peters expressed a concern about the spending of legal fees and would like to see a methodology put in place authorizing expenditure of legal fees. Alderman Peters also expressed a concern about the spending of legal fees on issues/projects that had not been Board approved. This issue will be placed on the July 1st budget workshop agenda.
3. Easement with Salado Floors and Walls
Lance and Shirley Cox, owners, stated that the widening of IH35 by TxDOT was going to cut off access to the front of their building and that the majority of the back of their building which faces Church Street is city easement. Mr. Cox asked the Board for permission to use city easement on Church Street to load and unload product.
Motion was made by Alderman Peters to deny the use of city easement by Salado Floors and Walls on Church Street due to the narrowness of the street and the construction of the street. Motion was seconded by Alderman McCort; motion carried unanimously.
4. Contract Approval for Wild Horses Headline Entertainment for Heritage Days Event
Tourism Director Charbonneau requested approval by the Board to allow the tourism department to enter into an agreement with Wild Horses to be the headline entertainment at the Heritage Days concert. Contract is for one day, \$3,500.00.
Motion was made by Alderman Terry to authorize entering into the contract. Motion was seconded by Alderman Walls; motion carried unanimously.
5. Recommendation from Zoning Board of Adjustment to Allow Encroachment on the Rear Yard Setback at Salado Creek Antiques, 511 Stagecoach Rd. *Public Hearing Item*
Donna Gantenbein, owner 511 Stagecoach Rd., stated that due to IH35 widening TxDOT is denying access to their business in front so they will be moving the entrance to the side of the building and need to build a room on to the back of the building for loading, unloading, and storage. To make this work they must encroach on the rear yard setback by 5 feet. The ZBA have recommended approval of this request.
Motion was made by Alderman McCort to accept the ZBA's recommendation and grant the request. Motion was seconded by Alderman Walls; motion carried unanimously.
6. Recommendation from Planning & Zoning Commission to Grant a Conditional Use Permit to Silver Spur Theater to Allow the Sale of Beer and Wine *Public Hearing Item*
Grainger Esch, owner, 108 Royal Street, feels like selling beer and wine at his theater is the last effort to financially keep his business open and running. The P&Z have heard this issue and recommend approval by the Board to allow the sale of beer and wine at the theater

ONLY during evening and private events. Mr. Esch has agreed not to sell alcohol during matinees and to state that beer and wine are available and sold on all of his advertisements. *Motion was made by Alderman Walls to accept the P&Z's recommendation and grant the request to allow the sale of beer and wine as stipulated above at the Silver Spur Theater. Motion was seconded by Alderman Terry; motion carried unanimously.*

7. Status of Condition of Police Vehicles

Chief Hensley stated the age, current repair expenditures, and mileage of each police vehicle and that all three are in need of major repairs or replacement. Chief Hensley gave three options: purchase refurbished cars (engines are not refurbished, 70,000 miles on them) for approximately \$13,000.00 , purchase new Chevrolet (sedan \$30,000.00, F150 \$20,000.00), or purchase new Ford Crown Vic for approximately \$25,000.00. Also need \$5,000.00 per vehicle for equipment. The Board authorized Chief Hensley to sell one of the sedans and get details on purchasing one pickup.

8. Consideration and Possible Awarding of Bids to Re-roof the Municipal Building

RFP's for the replacement of the municipal building roof was sent out and four companies's placed bids.

Motion was made by Alderman Peters to award the municipal building roof replacement to Tanner Roofing for the total bid price of \$7,760.00. That includes the base bid of \$7,560.00 and the alternate bid for a ridge vent of \$200.00. Motion was seconded by Alderman Walls; motion carried unanimously.

Announcements:

1. Next scheduled Board meeting is July 1, 2010 at 6:00PM.
2. There is a budget workshop scheduled for July 1st at 9:00AM at the municipal building.

Alderman Fritch moved to adjourn at 7:40PM.

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Respectfully submitted,

Dianna Zulauf
Village Secretary

Merle Stalcup
Mayor