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

Municipal Building, 301 N. Stagecoach Rd. Thursday, August 1, 2013 6:00PM

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

Members Absent: none

Others Present: Margaret Murray - Village Secretary, Jack Hensley - Chief of Police, citizens: 20

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

The Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge of Allegiance were recited. Pastor Travis Burleson of First Baptist Church Salado gave the invocation.

Citizen Comments: None

**Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes** - Motion was made by Alderman Ashe to approve the minutes of the meeting of July 18. Motion was seconded by Mayor ProTem Fritch; motion carried unanimously.

# **Departmental Reports -**

### Report from Mayor:

- August 15 Proposed General Fund and Hotel Motel Budget with Municipal Clerk
- September 5 2013-2014 Proposed General Fund and Hotel/Motel Budget Ordinances (First Reading)
- September 5 2013-2014 Proposed Ad Valorem Tax Rate Ordinance (First Reading)
- September 19 Adoption of 2013-2014 Proposed General Fund and Hotel/Motel Budget Ordinance (Second Reading)
- September 19 Adoption of 2013-2014 Proposed Ad Valorem Tax Rate to Salado (Second Reading)
- Annexation of property into city limits:
- Jim Aikens property/west side of West Village Road decision within two weeks on applying for annexation
- Bennie Williams property/west side of West Village Road he will apply for annexation if Mr. Aikens will
  - Joe Morrison property along I-35 Right of Way in January planning to annex in January
- Waiting to hear back on Jack Lampkin property along I-35 Right of Way possible movement of C&W but decision will be made by January
  - Larry McClaren property along I-35 Right of Way he wants sewer system before he annexes
- Hoping to bring the back nine holes of the golf course into the city limits. Have talked to persons who stated they would be interested in coming into the city limits. –Mayor McCort is also talking to residents in the area of those nine holes who have expressed interest in annexation along with the back nine holes.
- August 15 BOA will be voting on putting a Bond referendum on the November election. Mayor McCort has been obtaining information on this procedure and the financial obligations involved. Still waiting for additional information.
- Need to contract with someone to clean trees from city property -This is a job that will take more than the city Maintenance to complete. Fire, trash and residents are complaining about low-hanging branches throughout the Village. City Ordinance states that trees over a street must have a minimum of 14 foot clearance or we are

liable for damage. Alderman Fields has met with a tree service who will undertake the job for \$350.00 per month, which is under the \$5000 per year that will require a bid process. Alderman Brown recommended we get three bids to ensure we get best price.

Aldermen Report: <u>City Administrator Project Update</u> (Alderman Brown) – The Board of Aldermen met earlier in a Workshop to begin to set priorities for our new City Administrator. Top priorities are to be developed in workshop on Aug 15. Jim Reed handed out initial coordination memo, with an initial priority list until the workshop of August 15. They want to be an asset to the village. Alderman McDougal asked about budget schedule; Mr. Reed stated that if we need to be there on that project, he would be more than happy to assist and provide input. Mayor ProTem Fritch requested that we add Mr. Reed to email distribution and get him a Village email address. Mr. Reed stated that with regard to the sewer project, preliminary bond costs are very similar to what mayor has determined.

#### **New Business:**

- 1. <u>Increase Hours for Code Enforcement Officer</u> (Alderman Fields) *Motion was made by Alderman Brown to approve the increase of hours for the Code Enforcement Officer from 8 to 16 hours per week. Motion was seconded by Mayor ProTem Fritch; motion carried unanimously.*
- 2. ZBA Standing Meeting (Alderman Fields) Motion was made by Alderman Brown that the ZBA meet on the second Thursday of each month at 6:00PM. Motion was seconded by Alderman Ashe; motion carried unanimously.
- 3. Fix Park Drive (Mayor ProTem Fritch) Tabled
- 4. 380 Advisory Committee (Alderman Fields) Motion was made by Mayor ProTem Fritch that the board approve appointment of all personnel recommended by Alderman Fields to the Salado Economic Development Advisory team. Motion was seconded by Alderman Fields. Alderman McDougal asked who the chairman would be for this team; Alderman Fields stated he would be. Amended motion was made by Mayor ProTem Fritch that the board approve appointment of all personnel recommended by Alderman Fields to the Salado Economic Development Advisory Team, with Alderman Fields to be Chairman of the team. Motion was seconded by Alderman Brown. Initial motion carried unanimously. Amended motion carried 5-0 with Alderman Fields abstaining.
- 5. <u>Discussion on Selling Two Trucks for Salvage</u> (Mayor McCort) Tabled
- 6. Approval of Petition for Local Option Election for the Legal Sales of All Alcoholic Beverages for Off-Premise Consumption (Mayor McCort) Motion was made by Alderman McDougal that the petition for local option election for the legal sales of all alcoholic beverages for off-premise consumption be approved. Motion was seconded by Mayor ProTem Fritch; motion carried unanimously.

# **Announcements:**

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:45PM.

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Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Murray

Village Secretary

Danney McCort

Mayor