## VILLAGE OF SALADO SALADO MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 301 N. STAGECOACH - SALADO, TEXAS SPECIAL BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING AUGUST 1, 2017 MINUTES

The Board of Aldermen meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Pro-tem Fred Brown.

Board Members Present: Aldermen Andy Jackson, Amber Dankert, Frank Coachman. Michael McDougal and Mayor Pro-tem Fred Brown. Mayor Skip Blancett arrived at 6:10 p.m.

Staff Present: Village Administrator Don Ferguson

Mayor Pro-tem Fred Brown briefed the Board on the purpose of the workshop.

Village Administrator Ferguson provided status reports on the following projects:

- a. New Wastewater Project
- b. Stagecoach Treatment Plant
- c. Pace Park
- d. Main Street Improvement Project
- e. Operational Assessment & Modifications
- f. Street Assessment & Improvements
- g. Fiscal Year 2018 Budget Preparations

Mayor Blancett encouraged board members to identify those projects they would like to see addressed in the coming fiscal year.

Board members expressed interest in the following projects:

- Reactivation of various citizen advisory committees (public safety, parks, economic development, ordinance, etc.)
- Completion of planned sidewalk, lighting, parking and bike lane improvements on Main Street
- Improve the curbside appeal of the Municipal Building and Police Department
- Initiate and complete construction of new wastewater system
- Consider the possible expansion of the planned wastewater service area to include the north side hotel properties and Salado Schools

- Secure a site on the west side of I-35 for a future wastewater treatment plant site
- Establish a development overlay district (zoning, development standards, etc.) for the I-35 Corridor
- Establish a development overlay district for the Royal Street Corridor, adjacent to Main Street
- Secure grant funding for future park and trail development
- Develop and implement a multifaceted public notification program for emergencies and critical community events and activities
- Develop an incentive program to attract additional high speed internet providers to the Village
- Establish public and private partnerships to facilitate development of Pace Park
- Establish an outreach program to encourage developers in the Village's ETJ to request annexation into the Village
- Designate a Truck Route in the Village
- Establish a regular leadership luncheon for local and area elected officials
- Construct a walkway on the Main Street Bridge over Salado Creek
- Develop and implement a Way Finding Signage Program
- Establish a capital vehicle and equipment replacement program for the Police Department and Public Works Department
- Establish a "Village Mission" volunteer program
- Review and update the Village's commercial development regulations
- Modify the configuration of the intersection of Royal Street and Main Street
- Develop and implement an Ecotourism Program
- Develop and implement a program supporting the Cultural Arts in Salado
- Add patrol vehicles and Increase manpower in the Salado Police Department
- Review and update the Village's annexation efforts and tax abatement program
- Develop facilities and activities for the youth in the community

In addition to the above-mentioned projects, board members expressed interest in providing police officers with the basic equipment to provide roadside assistance to motorists and the Village doing what is necessary to minimize the impact of wastewater construction on the downtown area during the upcoming Christmas holidays.

With there being no further business, Mayor Blancett adjourned the meeting at 8:04 p.m.

Skip Blancett, Mayor

Don Ferguson, Village Administrator/

**Acting City Secretary** 

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