

**Village of Salado Municipal Building
301 North Stagecoach Road
Salado, Texas
Minutes of Regular Meeting of Board of Aldermen
May 2, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.**

The Board of Aldermen meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Michael Coggin. *The meeting was conducted in person and on YouTube.*

Mayor Coggin gave the Invocation, and the Board of Aldermen led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

Board Members Present: Mayor Michael Coggin, Mayor Pro Tem Rodney Bell, Alderman Paul Cox, Alderman D. Jasen Graham, Alderman Bert Henry, and Alderman Jason Howard.

Staff Present: Village Administrator Manual De La Rosa, City Secretary Debra Bean, Police Chief Allen Fields and Marketing and Tourism Manager Deanna Whitson.

1. CITIZENS COMMUNICATIONS

Janet Kennedy requested that the plat to Mustang Springs be corrected to show more clearly her property lines. She also made a request to be removed from Salado ETJ.

2. RECOGNITION

Police Chief Allen Fields recognized Sgt. Christopher Dunshie for receiving the Master Peace Officer Proficiency Certificate.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

(A) MINUTES OF APRIL 18, 2024, REGULAR BOARD OF ALDERMAN MEETING.

(B) REVISED MINUTES OF APRIL 4, 2024, REGULAR BOARD OF ALDERMAN MEETING.

Motion made by Alderman Henry to remove Items 4.(C.D.E.F). Seconded by Alderman Graham. All approved and motion carried by a vote of five in favor, none opposed.

Motion by Alderman Henry to approve Items 4.(A) and (B). Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bell. All approved and motion carried by a vote of five in favor, none opposed.

(C) PETITION FOR RELEASE FROM THE EXTRATERRITORIAL

JURISDICTION FROM ROCKET POINT LLC, QUEST TRUST COMPANY, PROPERTY ID 516467, THE GOVERNING BODY APPROVES TO RELEASE THE PROPERTY FROM THE EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF THE VILLAGE OF SALADO. LEGAL DESCRIPTION: BEING A 61.500 ACRE TRACT OF LAND, LOCATED IN THE JOSEPH ATKINS SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 27, BELL COUNTY, TEXAS; SAID 61.500 ACRE TRACT, BEING A PORTION OF THAT CALLED 167.572 ACRE TRACT OF LAND RECORDED IN VOLUME 4312, PAGE 747, OFFICIAL PUBLIC RECORDS, BELL COUNTY, TEXAS.

- (D) PETITION FOR RELEASE FROM THE EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION FROM ROCKET POINT LLC, QUEST TRUST COMPANY, PROPERTY ID 516468, THE GOVERNING BODY APPROVES TO RELEASE THE PROPERTY FROM THE EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF THE VILLAGE OF SALADO. LEGAL DESCRIPTION: BEING A 50.500 ACRE TRACT OF LAND, LOCATED IN THE JOSEPH ATKINS SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 27, BELL COUNTY, TEXAS; SAID 50.500 ACRE TRACT, BEING A PORTION OF THAT CALLED 167.572 ACRE TRACT OF LAND RECORDED IN VOLUME 4312, PAGE 747, OFFICIAL PUBLIC RECORDS, BELL COUNTY, TEXAS.
- (E) PETITION FOR RELEASE FROM THE EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION FROM QUEST TRUST COMPANY, PROPERTY ID 516469, THE GOVERNING BODY APPROVES TO RELEASE THE PROPERTY FROM THE EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF THE VILLAGE OF SALADO. LEGAL DESCRIPTION: BEING A 41.000 ACRE TRACT OF LAND, LOCATED IN THE JOSEPH ATKINS SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 27, BELL COUNTY, TEXAS; SAID 41.000 ACRE TRACT, BEING A PORTION OF THAT CALLED 167.52 ACRE TRACT OF LAND RECORDED IN VOLUME 4312, PAGE 747, OFFICIAL PUBLIC RECORDS, BELL COUNTY, TEXAS.
- (F) PETITION FOR RELEASE FROM THE EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION FROM YUPEL LLC, PROPERTY ID 56897, THE GOVERNING BODY APPROVES TO RELEASE THE PROPERTY FROM THE EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF THE VILLAGE OF SALADO. LEGAL DESCRIPTION: BEING A 14.484 ACRE TRACT OF LAND, LOCATED IN THE JOSEPH ATKINS SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 27, BELL COUNTY, TEXAS; SAID 14.484 ACRE TRACT, BEING A PORTION OF THAT CALLED 167.572 ACRE TRACT OF LAND RECORDED IN VOLUME 4312, PAGE 747, OFFICIALLY PUBLIC RECORDS, BELL COUNTY, TEXAS.

4. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING ANY ITEM

REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Alderman Graham to acknowledge receipt of any petitions to be removed from Salado ETJ, but table Items 4(C,D,E,F) and all subsequent requests pending clarification Senate Bill 238. Seconded by Alderman Henry. Motion carried by a vote of four in favor, one opposed. Opposing vote was cast by Alderman Howard.

5. STATUS REPORTS

(A) VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. De La Rosa introduced Deanna Whitson as the new Tourism Marketing Manager. She will begin full time on May 13, 2024. He reported mixed beverage sales tax revenues of \$3020.06 which represented the month of February of 2024. Alderman Howard questioned if Mrs. Kennedy's request to be removed from the ETJ met the requirement. Mr. De La Rosa responded that she has met the requirements.

(B) SALADO POLICE CHIEF STATUS REPORT

- **CALLS FOR SERVICE REPORT**

Chief Fields reported a total of 507 calls for service with twenty-one of them a Priority 1. He also reported two arrests.

- **LICENSE PLATE READER PROGRAM UPDATE**

The FLOCK Report showed 49014 images captured with 68 System Alerts and ten accessed by Salado PD for administrative use. These ten included retail thefts, construction theft and one hit & run. Chief Fields also reported Officers Ferdin and Blakemore have completed SFST refresher course and Office Ferdin has completed Intoxilyzer Training. Sgt. Dunshie has completed his Hostage Negotiator certification. Chief Fields introduced Officer Robert Gatewood, joining our force from Belton PD.

6. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

(A) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NUMBER 2024-02, AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SALADO, TEXAS, PROVIDING FOR THE INSTALLATION OF STOP SIGNS AT THE INTERSECTION OF SMITH BLUFF ROAD AND SMITH BLUFF WAY, CREATING AN ALL-WAY STOP; AND INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING: FINDINGS OF FACT; EFFECTIVE DATE; REPEALER; SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROPER NOTICE AND MEETING.

Mr. De La Rosa recommended the approval of the ordinance.

Motion made by Alderman Cox to approve the ordinance as presented.

Seconded by Alderman Graham. All approved and motion carried by a vote of five in favor, none opposed.

(B) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE

NUMBER 2024-03, AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SALADO, TEXAS GRANTING MUSTANG SPRINGS UTILITY, LLC CERTAIN POWERS, LICENSES, PRIVILEGES AND FRANCHISE TO OPERATE AND MAINTAIN A WATER UTILITY SYSTEM WITHIN THE VILLAGE; TO USE THE STREETS, AVENUES, EASEMENTS, RIGHT-OF-WAY, ALLEYS, HIGHWAYS, SIDEWALKS, AND BRIDGES IN SAID VILLAGE; PRESCRIBING CERTAIN RIGHTS, DUTIES, TERMS AND CONDITIONS; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT TO THE VILLAGE OF A PERCENTAGE OF ITS TOTAL BILLED WATER USAGE; PROVIDING FOR ACCEPTANCE; AND PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN RELATED MATTERS.

Alderman Graham asked for an explanation in layman's terms what this ordinance does and does not do. Mr. De La Rosa explained this was part of the process to get them utilities. Alderman Henry said this seems like we are putting the cart before the horse and questioned signing off on selling water without any test wells in. Mr. De La Rosa said developers always try to get all of the entitlements out of the way early.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Bell to approve the ordinance as presented. Seconded by Alderman Cox. Motion carried by a vote of three in favor, two opposed. Opposing votes were cast by Alderman Henry and Alderman Howard.

- (C) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVING AMENDMENT #3 TO THE AGREEMENT FOR OPERATIONS, MAINTENANCE, AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES WITH OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT INTERNATIONAL, INC., FOR THE PERIOD OF APRIL 1, 2024, THROUGH MARCH 31, 2025.

Andrea Alexander was present to explain and answer any questions regarding the amendment to the agreement. Mr. De La Rosa recommended approval of the agreement. Mayor Pro Tem Bell questioned extras that could be added to the charges. Ms. Alexander said repairs exceeding \$500 will require approval. Mayor Pro Tem Bell also questioned Mr. De La Rosa if this amount would fit in the current budget and if he was good with the amendment. The answer was yes.

Motion made by Alderman Graham to approve the amendment number three as negotiated and written. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bell. All approved and motion carried by a vote of five in favor, none opposed.

7. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None


8. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ITEMS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Coggin called the meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Approved:



Michael Coggin, Mayor

Attest:



Debra Bean, City Secretary