

Village Board of Aldermen
Meeting Minutes

Municipal Building
Thursday, September 5, 2002
6:30pm

Members present: Charlotte Douglass, Vic Means, Rick Ashe, Michael Cooper, Jackie Mills, Suzi Epps

Members Absent:

Others Present: Dianna Zulauf - Village Secretary, Ashley – Village Voice Newspaper, April Allen – Tourism Director, Cliff Brown, Brian Nelson – Oncor Electric, Alan Rogers, citizens: Curt Strong, Hal Anderson

The second Public Hearing on the proposed 2002 – 2003 Budget was called to order by Mayor Douglass at 6:31 p.m. Quorum determined.

Mayor Douglass welcomed those in attendance and stated that no one had turned in a request to address the Board, but because it was a small crowd comments would be welcomed.

Mayor Douglass went over the proposed budget for the Village account highlighting and explaining line items with large dollar amounts. Mayor Douglass explained the two changes that were made since the first public hearing; the sales tax revenues expected for August and September was increased by the dollar amount actually received in August and a new line item for storage was added in the expenditures in the amount of \$900.00. Mayor Douglass explained that there is still two more weeks before the Board must adopt the budget, therefore, if an expenditure comes up that needs to be placed in the budget the Board can still do so. The proposed income for the fiscal year of '02 – '03 is \$498,800.00 and the expected expenditures for that fiscal year are \$522,060.00. The Village will begin the year with \$208,248.00 allowing for the end of year balance expected to be \$184,988.00. Mayor Douglass also pointed out that the cost codes shown on the proposed budget will be changing with the new fiscal year.

Tourism Director April Allen reported on the proposed Hotel/Motel budget. Revenues are anticipated to be \$135,000.00 and the expected expenditures are to be \$135,000.00. The Hotel/Motel account should begin the year with \$92,298.69 allowing for the end of year balance expected to be \$92,298.69.

The Board agreed to put both of the proposed budgets on the next agenda for adoption.

Mayor Douglass adjourned the Public Hearing at 6:50PM.

The regular scheduled Board of Aldermen meeting was called to order by Mayor Douglass at 6:50PM.

Alderman Cooper made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes dated August 15th. Motion was seconded by Alderman Means, motion carried unanimously.

Resolutions and/or Proclamations:

Mayor Douglass presented and read Resolution No. 009, proclaiming September 11, 2002 a day of remembrance in regards to the 9-11 terrorist attacks on New York on September 11, 2001. Alderman Epps requested that the resolution be changed to reflect acknowledgment of the hi-jacked plane that crashed in Pennsylvania and the plane that hit the Pentagon.

Mayor Douglass presented and read Resolution No. 010, proclaiming September 12, 2002 American Business Women's Association Day (or ABWA Day).

Motion was made by Alderman Means to adopt Resolution No. 009 with the changes stated above and Resolution No. 010. Motion was seconded by Alderman Epps, motion carried unanimously.

Chief of Police Report:

Chief Alan Rogers reported that he has acquired and set up radios for the SISD so that they can have on-campus communication with other SISD personnel and emergency services such as fire department, police, etc. SISD paid for the radios.

Tourism Director Report:

Tourism Director April Allen reported on the three tourism events she recently attended, one in Oklahoma, one in Ft. Worth and the other in Del Rio. Ms. Allen presented a Texas Historical Commission Chisholm Trail brochure which Salado is in and explained the purpose of "Trails" in Texas. November 14th is the date scheduled for Belton to unveil the Chisholm Trail Brochure in their community and Salado is looking at tying into that event.

The next scheduled Tourism Council meeting is Thursday, September 26th.

Old Business:1. EMS

Alderman Ashe reported that he has received a contract from Scott & White on the EMS service to be placed in Salado. The contract has gone to our Attorney for review. Mayor Douglass asked that the contract state the chain-of-command for the emergency responders instead of having that defined in a separate document. Once the contract is signed by both parties, construction can begin on the garage to house the ambulance.

2. Budget 2002 - 2003

The Board had no other comments on the proposed budget.

3. Subdivision Ordinance

Alderman Means reported that the steering committee has been waiting for input from citizens on the proposed subdivision ordinance and has received a few. A tentative date for the next subdivision ordinance workshop is Wednesday, Sept. 25th at 12:30PM. The next step will be to work on the zoning ordinance.

New Business:1. Oncor Compromise Settlement and Release Agreement

Brian Nelson with Oncor Electric was present and explained that Oncor would like to enter into an agreement with Salado to increase franchise money collected. Mr. Nelson explained that under the old agreement Oncor did not collect franchise fees for Discretionary Services such as account initiation, out-of-cycle meter readings, etc. Mr. Nelson's offer is to sign a compromise agreement to release Oncor from liability from the past payments of discretionary charges and to amend the

franchise to include payments of discretionary charges beginning January 1, 2003. The Aldermen will receive a copy of the Compromise Settlement and Franchise Fee amendment to review and be prepared to adopt or oppose at the next Board meeting.

2. Capitalization Policy

Mayor Douglass presented to the Board a proposed Capitalization Policy reflecting \$2,500.00 as the asset cost per the auditor's recommendation. Motion was made by Alderman Cooper to adopt the Capitalization Policy as submitted and to add it to the Village's Financial and Investment Policy. Motion was seconded by Alderman Mills, motion carried unanimously.

3. Animal Control

Alderman Ashe informed the Board that Dr. Dunn at the Belton Veterinary Clinic has agreed to take stray animals from Salado after they have been held by Salado for a couple of days. Dr. Dunn will hold the animal for an additional three days, if no one has claimed the animal or adopted it, it will be destroyed. A Memorandum of Understanding has been drawn up indicating this with the fees of \$25.00 per animal, an additional \$35.00 if the animal has to be destroyed, and an \$8.00/day charge if the animal is to be held for more than three days.

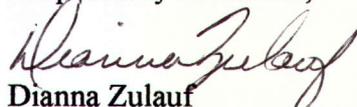
Alderman Ashe presented Ordinance No. 16, adopting an Animal Control policy. Alderman Cooper suggested that the definition of "Licensed Veterinarian" have the words "United States of America" changed to "State of Texas". Motion was made by Alderman Cooper to adopt Ordinance No. 2002.16 with the word changes as stated above. Motion was seconded by Alderman Means, motion carried unanimously.

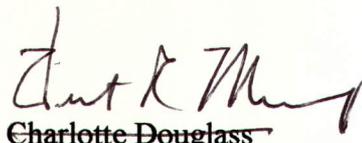
Announcements:

1. Next scheduled Board meeting is September 19, 2002.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50PM

Respectfully submitted,


Dianna Zulauf
Village Secretary


Charlotte Douglass
Mayor

Village of Salado

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Report of the Tourism Office

The Tourism Council will not meet in August due to the Tourism Director's travel schedule. The Council will meet in September with a tentative date of the 26th.

The Tourism Director attended the Texas Association of Convention & Visitors Bureau Annual Conference in Del Rio. Salado, Killeen and Belton sponsored a luncheon at the event in hopes of bidding on the conference for 2005. The conference went very well and the Director will again be participating on the Education and Conference committees for TACVB next year.

On August 29th, the Director will be attended a Group Tour leader travel show in Duncan, Oklahoma organized by Kaleo Tours. The show was attended by approximately 175 group tour leaders from Texas and Oklahoma. Many of the leaders spoke fondly of trips they have made to Salado and look forward to returning soon. Many others were not familiar with Salado but were very interested in learning more about this small village.

On Friday, August 30th, she attended the unveiling of the new State Historical Commission Chisholm Trail brochure in Fort Worth. Salado is listed on the trail along with various cities across state from Brownsville to Fort Worth. The ceremony was very well attended by several of the cities on the trail including Clifton, and Belton as well as the media. The Fort Worth CVB and the Historical Commission did a great job with the event and with the design of the brochure.

The Visitor Center had 83 people come through in the month of August and the Chamber of Commerce sent out 34 visitor packets. The Tourism Council will meet on September 26th of the month.