

Village Board of Aldermen
Meeting Minutes

Municipal Building
Thursday, April 3, 2003
6:30pm

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

Members Absent:

Others Present: Dianna Zulauf – Village Secretary, April Allen – Tourism Director, Alan Rogers – Chief of Police, Tim Fleischer – Village Voice, Citizens: Robert Denman, Delores Renfro & husband, Darlene Walsh, Dale Gore

The Board of Aldermen meeting was called to order by Mayor Charlotte Douglass at 6:30PM. Quorum determined.

Alderman Epps made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes dated March 26th. Motion was seconded by Alderman Means, motion carried unanimously.

Citizens Requests: Delores Renfro requested from the Board a variance to her sign request application for her shop, Horse Whisperers. *Motion was made by Alderman Cooper to deny Mrs. Renfro's request for a sign variance. Motion was seconded by Alderman Means, motion carried unanimously.* Horse Whisperers is in a multi-tenant building that has a marquee out front to advertise tenants business. If Mrs. Renfro's request was granted that would give the building its maximum signage allowed by the ordinance and no other current or future tenants could erect a sign nor could the building owner place a second marquee on the premises. The Board felt that allowing Mrs. Renfro to erect her own sign on the premises would be unfair to current and future tenants. Mrs. Renfro was directed to take down her sign that is currently leaning up against a tree in front of the building.

Resolutions and/or Proclamations: There were none.

Chief of Police Report: No report

Tourism Director Report:

Tourism Director April Allen reported that during the month of March the Chamber office mailed out 56 visitor packets, serviced 79 registered visitors and filled 199 reader service requests.

Ms. Allen informed the Board of updates on several Bills before the legislature.

Ms. Allen also reported that the Tourism office will host a lunch at Pace Park for eighty members of the Travel Industry on Wednesday, April 9th.

The tourism office will be closed April 9th and 10th for the Travel Counselors Conference and again April 16th through 23rd for vacation.

Unfinished Business:

1. Report on Zoning Meeting

Alderman Epps reported that the zoning committee has completed their review of the zoning ordinance and reviewed the updated zoning maps. The time-line for completing the zoning

ordinance is setting up a workshop in May and a public hearing in June. The next scheduled zoning meeting is Wednesday, April 16th with the consultants who will provide new and updated maps.

2. Report on TEEEX Meeting

Mayor Douglass reported on the recent TEEEX (Texas Engineering Extension Service) meeting she attended. Salado's TEEEX assessment is ready to submit. Emergency Operating Plan is also complete and ready to be submitted to the Regional Liaison Office in Waco.

3. Report on IH35 Meeting

Alderman Means reported on the recent IH35 meeting he attended held by TxDOT. Alderman Means was assured by a TxDOT representative that Salado would not have to participate in the purchase of right-of-way in Salado to complete the IH35 widening project. Utility companies will have to move their utilities at their own expense up front. The state will reimburse the utility companies one-hundred percent at some point. John Obr with TxDOT stated that the stretch of IH35 through Salado should be done sometime between 2008 and 2014.

4. Report on Pace Park Planning

Alderman Ashe reported that he is acquiring proposals for play ground equipment in Pace Park. The committee will attempt to make the play ground fit the Salado theme. The committee is currently working on fundraising ideas.

New Business:

1. Review and Possible Adoption of Flood Damage Prevention Resolution

Mayor Douglass stated that the Village had to pass a Flood Damage Resolution and Ordinance in order for residents to get flood insurance. The resolution appoints the Village Engineer with the responsibility, authority, and means to implement the commitments as outlined in the resolution. *Motion was made by Alderman Means to accept and adopt the Flood Damage Prevention Resolution No. 016 as presented. Motion was seconded by Alderman Ashe, motion carried unanimously.*

2. Review and Possible Adoption on TCEQ Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance

Mayor Douglass briefly explained the purpose of the ordinance. *Motion was made by Alderman Cooper to accept and adopt Ordinance No. 2003.06 as presented. Motion was seconded by Alderman Ashe, motion carried unanimously.*

Both the Resolution and Ordinance will be submitted to TCEQ (formerly FEMA).

3. Cancellation of May General Election

Village Secretary Dianna Zulauf presented to Mayor Douglass a Certification of Unopposed Candidates form indicating that the three Board members going off the board in May re-filed for office and are unopposed. Mayor Douglass presented Ordinance No. 2003.05 canceling the May 3rd general election and re-appointing Vic Means, Rick Ashe, and Jackie Mills to the Board of Aldermen for a two year term.

Motion was made by Alderman Cooper to adopt Ordinance No. 2003.05, canceling the May 3rd general election. Motion was seconded by Alderman Epps, motion carried unanimously.

4. Report on American Red Cross Disaster Training

Alderman Mills reported on the American Red Cross Disaster Training recently attended. Lots of valuable information on the Red Cross capabilities was given and demonstrations on different disaster relief items, such as food containers and how they function.

For copies of all handouts, please contact the Village office at 947-5060.

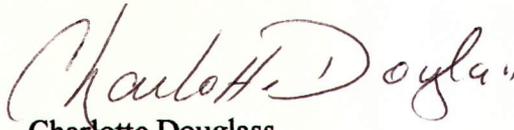
Announcements:

1. Next scheduled Board meeting is April 17, 2003.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50PM

Respectfully submitted,


Dianna Zulauf
Village Secretary


Charlotte Douglass
Mayor

