

Village Board of Aldermen
Meeting Minutes

Municipal Building
Thursday, November 6, 2003
6:30pm

Members present: Rick Ashe, Jackie Mills, Michael Cooper, Charlotte Douglass

Members Absent: Suzi Epps, Vic Means

Others Present: Alan Rogers – Chief of Police, April Allen – Tourism Director, Dianna Zulauf – Village Secretary, citizens: 0

Mayor Douglass called the meeting to order at 6:30, quorum present.

Mayor Douglass explained that the ordinance numbers have gotten out of sequence. In an effort to correct this, the Pace Park ordinance numbered 2003.14 needed to be renumbered 2003.16.

Motion was made by Alderman Cooper to renumber Ordinance No. 2003.14 to 2003.16. Motion was seconded by Alderman Ashe, motion carried unanimously.

Alderman Ashe made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes dated October 16th. Motion was seconded by Alderman Cooper, motion carried unanimously.

Proclamations and/or Resolution:

None

Chief of Police Report:

Chief Rogers reported that there were seven crimes on the October Crime Report.

Tourism Director Report:

None

Unfinished Business:

1. Further Discussion of Salado Volunteer Fire Department Contract

Alderman Ashe stated that he has received a copy of the draft contract between the SVFD and the Village. The fire department has asked for more money and would like to be paid once annually instead of quarterly. Alderman Ashe will ask Fire Chief Rutherford to justify the increase request before the Board can consider it. Chief Rutherford also asked the Village to pick up the fire departments insurance under the Village's umbrella. This can only be done if the fire department becomes a department of the Village government.

2. Consideration of Weapons Ordinance

Alderman Cooper explained his revisions to the proposed weapons ordinance, taking out all references to bow & arrows and spring air guns. The Board discussed the pros & cons of implementing such an ordinance. Issue tabled pending further discussion.

New Business:

1. Consideration and Possible Adoption of Sign Ordinance Amendment

Mayor Douglass stated that the Village's sign ordinance needed to be amended to reflect the changes made during the recent legislative session regarding political signs.

Motion was made by Alderman Cooper to adopt Ordinance No. 2003.15 amending the Village's current sign ordinance. Motion was seconded by Alderman Ashe, motion carried unanimously.

2. Discussion on Possible Village Newsletter

Mayor Douglass asked the Board for their input on whether the Village should do a newsletter in an attempt to educate the citizens on what is happening in their local government. Discussion was made on the pros & cons of such a project. Issue tabled pending further discussion.

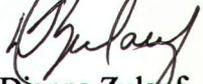
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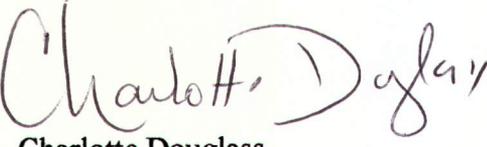
Announcements:

1. Next scheduled Board meeting is November 19th directly following an annexation workshop. Workshop to begin at 7:00PM at Inn on the Creek.
2. Dedication for the new Pace Park playground will be Saturday, November 15th at 9:00AM.
3. Due to the Christmas Parade and holidays, the Board will only meet once in December on December 11th at 6:30PM at the municipal building.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35PM

Respectfully submitted,


Dianna Zulauf
Village Secretary


Charlotte Douglass
Mayor