

Village Board of Aldermen
Meeting Minutes

Municipal Building
Thursday, July 22, 2004
6:00pm

Members present: Jackie Mills, Vic Means, Michael Cooper, Rick Ashe, Jack Schrock

Members Absent: Suzi Epps

Others Present: Dianna Zulauf – Village Secretary, Alan Rogers – Chief of Police, Eldon Miller – Village Treasurer, Tim Fleischer – Village Voice Newspaper, Kelly Zwinggi, citizens: Gene & Mary Lou Williams, Ken Culver, Robert Denman (6:20), Charlotte Douglass, Bruce Butscher (6:25)

Mayor Ashe called the meeting to order at 6:00, quorum present.

The Board reviewed Draft A of the proposed 2004-2005 budget.

Alderman Cooper made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes dated July 8th. Motion was seconded by Alderman Means, motion carried unanimously.

Alderman Mills made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 16th board meeting of annexation. Motion was seconded by Alderman Means, motion carried unanimously.

Proclamations and/or Resolution:

There were none.

Chief of Police Report:

Chief Rogers stated that he will be at Temple's board meeting on August 5th to accept the two defibrillators donated to Salado by the McLain Company of Temple.

Tourism Director Report:

No Report

Unfinished Business:

1. Texas Department of Transportation Maintenance Agreement
Mayor Ashe stated that he has not yet talked with TxDOT regarding this maintenance agreement. Tabled, will be placed on future agenda.
2. Policy Change – Accepting Checks
Dianna Zulauf suggested that the policy for accepting checks be changed deleting the section stating that the Village will run a non-sufficient fund check back through the bank a second time. It was felt that running a check through the bank one time and notifying the signer by certified mail of the delinquency was sufficient.
Motion was made by Alderman Cooper to accept the suggested change. Motion was seconded by Alderman Mills, motion carried unanimously.

3. Zoning Board of Adjustment Members

Alderman Means stated that Alderman Epps has recently learned that in a Type B municipality the ZBA should not be the Board of Aldermen, but should be made up of citizens. Alan Bojorquez, Village Attorney, stated that the Board of Aldermen could act as the ZBA. Alderman Cooper will clarify with the Village Attorney and each Alderman is to be thinking of citizens they could ask to serve on this committee.

New Business:

1. 2004 – 2005 Goals

Alderman Mills request that the addition of adding a Poetry Laureate be added to the one year goals. The students at Salado High School will write "Letters of Persuasion" to the Board of Aldermen, urging them to pass a measure creating an unpaid position of Salado's Poet Laureate. Students will also help in choosing the poet.

Motion was made by Alderman Means to adopt the 2004 – 2005 goals as presented with the above stated addition. Motion was seconded by Alderman Schrock, motion carried unanimously.

2. Year-to-Date Financials and Quarterly Report

Treasurer Miller briefly went over the financials and the quarterly report. The Village is under budget on total expenses and over budget on income with Total Account balance of \$247,829 for the Village and Total Account balance of \$108,410 for Hotel/Motel

3. Municipal Court Docket Program

Village Secretary Dianna Zulauf explained to the Board that the current state provided DOS court docket program that Salado is using will no longer be supported by the state as of September 2004. The Village Secretary has reviewed several companies programs and narrowed it down to three, MMI, Justice Systems, and Incode. Presentations and bids were provided by each.

Motion was made by Alderman Cooper to purchase the Incode Court Docket program to replace the state's DOS program. Motion was seconded by Alderman Means, motion carried unanimously.

4. Planning & Zoning Commission Recommendation on Blassingame Subdivision and Baines Street Subdivision

Alderman Means stated that both subdivision plats have gone before the P&Z commission and the concept for the Blassingame subdivision has been approved by them. The Baines Street subdivision is not ready to go before the Board. The engineer for the Blassingame subdivision was to get signatures on the final plat from the county tax office, which has not yet been done. The engineer, Kelly Zwinggi, will get the appropriate signatures and return to the Village for passage by the Board of Aldermen at a later meeting.

5. Tourism Council Grant Rules and Regulations

Alderman Mills stated that the Tourism Council has made two changes to the Rules and Regulations; 1) Sec. II, D (1) – add the sentence "With day #1 of the 60 days beginning the day after the event.", and 2) Sec. II, E – change the second sentence to read "These records will be examined by the Village of Salado Tourism Council and Board of Aldermen and are subject o audit by the State of Texas." Also, to change the third sentence to read "Grantee shall provide to the Salado Tourism Council a completed evaluation form (if applicable), within 60 days after the completion of the project. (See D.A.)".

Motion was made by Alderman Mills to accept the changes as stated. Motion was seconded by Alderman Schrock, motion carried unanimously.

6. Itinerant Vendor Application and Fees

Alderman Schrock stated that the current solicitation ordinance shows a \$10 fee for a one day permit to sale goods in Salado. He feels that this fee is too low. Outside vendors come in for a nominal fee and present serious competition for Salado's local non-profit organizations trying to raise money. It was suggested that the fee be increased. (Local non-profit organizations are exempt.) Alderman Schrock will get back to the Board with a proposal at a future meeting.

Announcements:

1. Next scheduled Board meeting is August 5, 2004 at 6:30PM.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:15PM

Respectfully submitted,


Dianna Zulauf
Village Secretary


Rick Ashe
Mayor