

Village Board of Aldermen  
**Regularly Scheduled Board of Aldermen**  
**Meeting Minutes**

Civic Center  
Thursday, April 6, 2006  
6:30pm

Members present: Michael Cooper, Jackie Mills, Rick Ashe, Merle Stalcup, Curt Strong, Suzi Epps

Members Absent:

Others Present: Dianna Zulauf – Village Secretary, Alan Rogers – Chief of Police, Eldon Miller – Village Treasurer, citizens: Karen Kinnison, George Dentry – Chamber President

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

**Citizen Comments:** None

*Alderman Strong made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes dated March 16th. Motion was seconded by Alderman Epps, motion carried unanimously.*

**Proclamations and/or Resolution:** Mayor Ashe read a proclamation recognizing May 4, 2006 as National Day of Prayer

**Chief of Police Report:**

Chief Rogers stated that his Police Chaplin's could not attend this meeting due to prior engagements.

**Report from Tourism Chair:**

No Report.

**Unfinished Business:**

1. Municipal Building Renovation Report

Alderman Stalcup reported that the building is almost complete. The anticipated turn-over date is April 15, 2006. So far there has been a total of approximately \$4,800.00 in change orders, well under the estimated \$7,000.00. May 1, 2006 will be the grand opening.

2. V-SEC Report

Alderman Strong reported that he and committee member Pete Stebbins traveled to Dripping Springs and Wimberley to meet with their Mayors regarding their progress on sewer systems. Both cities along with Jarrell finance their projects differently and are considerably ahead of Salado in implementing a system.

**New Business:**

1. Cancellation of General Election

Secretary Zulauf certified that the only individuals to file an application for a place on the May 13<sup>th</sup> ballot were the incumbents. There are no opponents; therefore, the Village can cancel the election. Ordinance No. 2006.05 canceling the election was presented.

*Motion was made by Alderman Strong to adopt Ordinance No. 2006.05 canceling the May 13<sup>th</sup> general election and appointing Carrie Sue Epps and Michael Cooper as Aldermen and Richard Ashe as Mayor. Motion was seconded by Alderman Stalcup, motion carried unanimously.*

2. Tasers and Additional Firearms

Chief Rogers requested this item be postponed pending Killeen's study of Tasers.

3. Proposal on Ordinance/Code Workshop

Alderman Strong suggested the Board hold a workshop with Village Attorney Alan Bojorquez regarding some ordinance amendments and several other issues. The Board agreed. Secretary Zulauf will schedule a meeting.

Item #5 was moved up on the agenda to accommodate George Dentry.

5. Village and Chamber of Commerce Agreement on Pace Park

Alderman Stalcup suggested that the Village take over maintenance and operations of Pace Park from the Chamber of Commerce beginning October 1, 2006. The Village would pay the Chamber the remaining \$6,000.00 per the current contract with them. The contract is set to expire September 30, 2006. This is an attempt to save the Village money and get a better handle on maintenance of the park. Alderman Cooper will set up a meeting with the Pace Park Board of Trustees to seek permission and comments from them on making this change.

*Motion was made by Alderman Cooper to postpone this issue until a meeting with the Pace Park Board of Trustees can be arranged. Motion was seconded by Alderman Strong, motion carried unanimously.*

The Board also discussed the possibility of hiring a full-time city maintenance person and reviewed an estimate of savings and expenses in doing so.

4. Proposal for Pace Park Renovation

Alderman Stalcup presented a proposed drawing of adding restrooms to the back of the pavilion at Pace Park and requested permission from the Board to get bids on construction. No decision on whether to actually do the renovations to the park will be made until a cost can be determined.

*Motion was made by Alderman Mills to authorize Alderman Stalcup to acquire bids on the construction of the park renovation plans as presented. Motion was seconded by Alderman Epps, motion carried unanimously.*

6. Hester Way Drainage and Mary Street Drainage

Excessive water is still standing after a rain on Hester Way and Mary Street areas. Village Engineer John Simcik has looked at the areas and submitted a quote for engineering services to fix the problems. The Board is unclear on whose responsibility it is to fix the problems, the Village or the developer of Mill Creek Springs (Hester Way) or the county regarding Mary Street. Alderman Strong will check into whether there was an error by the developers engineer in calculating drainage or whether the developer did not build to specs or any other possible reason for the standing water. This issue will be discussed at the proposed workshop with the Village Attorney.

**Announcements:**

1. Next scheduled Board meeting is April 20, 2006 at 6:30PM in the new municipal building.

*Motion was made by Alderman Strong to adjourn the meeting at 8:00pm. Motion was seconded by Alderman Epps, motion carried unanimously.*

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Respectfully submitted,

  
Dianna Zulauf  
Village Secretary

  
Rick Ashe  
Mayor

