

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

Municipal Building  
Thursday, May 4, 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, Chief Alan Rogers, Debbie Charbonneau – Tourism Director

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

**Citizen Comments:** None

*Alderman Cooper made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes dated April 20th. Motion was seconded by Alderman Mills, motion carried unanimously.*

**Proclamations and/or Resolution:**

**Chief of Police Report:**

No Report.

**Report from Tourism Chair:**

Tourism Director Debbie Charbonneau introduced John Kelsh with Destination Development Inc. Mr. Kelsh has been hired by Salado to develop a tourism strategic plan.

Director Charbonneau also reported on the visitor volume at the visitor center, the number of contacts made to the tourism office by individuals through ads placed in different publications, and the last of the Brown Bag Luncheons held to network with different business owners in Salado. See attached.

*Debbie Charbonneau and John Kelsh left at this time, 6:45PM.*

**Unfinished Business:**

1. Hester Way Drainage Issue

Alderman Strong stated that after a heavy rain water stands several inches deep at the corner of Hester Way and Winners Circle. Several complaints have come in, one from a school bus driver who feels uncomfortable driving through the standing water in a school bus. The problem is caused by poor development when the subdivision was put in prior to the city have a subdivision ordinance in place.

*Motion was made by Alderman Strong to authorize Alderman Mills to meet with the Village Engineer John Simcik and have him determine what needs to be done to fix the problem, is the city capable of fixing the problem with it's own equipment and staff, and to draft engineering plans on fixing the problem. Motion was seconded by Alderman Stalcup, motion carried unanimously.*

## **New Business:**

### 1. Municipal Building Landscaping

Mayor Ashe explained that the Salado Garden Club would like to landscape the new municipal building free of charge to the Village.

*Motion was made by Alderman Cooper to have Mrs. Tolbert come back to the Board with a drawing of what landscaping they want to do. Motion was seconded by Alderman Strong, motion carried unanimously.*

### 2. Recommendation from P&Z on Haddon Hall Subdivision

The Planning & Zoning Commission has reviewed a subdivision request from James Haddon to subdivide a lot into three lots, one of which is a road, and recommends approval to the Board of Aldermen. This subdivision is located at the corner of Sulfur Wells Rd. and Blackberry Rd. and has been reviewed and approved by Bell County.

*Motion was made by Alderman Epps to approve the subdivision request from Mr. Haddon as presented. Motion was seconded by Alderman Strong, motion carried unanimously.*

### 3. Recommendation from ZBA on Goodin Setback Variance Request

The Zoning Board of Adjustment has reviewed a request for a variance to the Zoning Ordinance to allow Mr. Goodin to build onto his home within the side yard setback. Mr. Goodin's home was built before zoning was in place and was built about four feet within the side yard setback, therefore, the new construction would be about four feet within the setback. The ZBA is recommending approval of the request to the Board of Alderman.

*Motion was made by Alderman Strong to approve Mr. Goodin's variance request and allow him to build onto his home within the side yard setback. Motion was seconded by Alderman Epps, motion carried unanimously.*

### 4. Recordings at Board Meetings

According to the Open Meetings Act cities may designate an area in the board room for citizens to stand and record meetings.

*Motion was made by Alderman Stalcup to designate the area behind the last row of chairs in the back of the room as the designated recording area. Citizens may not block egress or ingress. Motion was seconded by Alderman Strong, motion carried unanimously.*

### 5. Report on TxDOT Meeting for Salado Acquisition/Utilities

Alderman Strong reported that he recently attended a meeting put on by TxDOT to inform people of their plans to purchase property along IH35 for the widening of I35 project. Acquisition of property in Salado is set to happen sometime after 2009.

### 6. Municipal Court Technology Fee and Security Fee Proposed Ordinances

According to Article 102.017 of the Code of Criminal Procedure cities may adopt an ordinance authorizing the municipal court to collect a \$3.00 Security Fee and a \$4.00 Technology Fee upon every misdemeanor offense conviction.

*Motion was made by Alderman Strong to adopt Ordinance No. 2006.07, Technology Fee. Motion was seconded by Alderman Stalcup, motion carried unanimously.*

*Motion was made by Alderman Strong to adopt Ordinance No. 2006.08, Security Fee. Motion was seconded by Alderman Cooper, motion carried unanimously.*

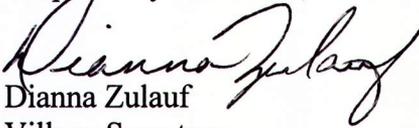
**Announcements:**

1. Next scheduled Board meeting is May 18, 2006 at 6:30PM.

*Motion was made by Alderman Epps to adjourn the meeting at 7:25pm. Motion was seconded by Alderman Stalcup, motion carried unanimously.*

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Respectfully submitted,

  
Dianna Zulauf  
Village Secretary

  
Rick Ashe  
Mayor

