

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

Municipal Building
Thursday, August 17, 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, Roger Gordon – Village Attorney, Bruno Matarazzo – Code Enforcement, citizens: Robert Packheiser – Bureau Veritas, Charlie Turnbo, Jim Cone with First Holland Bank

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 August 3rd. Motion was seconded by Alderman Mills, motion carried unanimously.

Proclamations and/or Resolution: None

Chief of Police Report:

Chief Rogers reported eleven cases file during July with six arrests.

Chief Rogers presented a bid from Steven Puckett for \$3,600.00 to put in a solid concrete island at the corner of Baines and Royal, and a bid of \$3,000.00 to put in a sand filled island at that corner.

The Village Engineer, John Simcik, has looked at the site and agrees that putting a four-way stop there will work. This issue was postponed pending an ordinance be drafted.

Report from Tourism Chair:

Tourism Director Debbie Charbonneau reported that the representative from Destination Development will be making a presentation to the Board of Alderman on October 25th at 1:00PM to give his findings on the strategic plan.

The tourism departments proposed 2006 – 2007 budget will be reviewed by the tourism committee at their next meeting and be brought to the Board of Aldermen for review in September.

Debbie left at this point, 6:46.

Unfinished Business:

1. Draft C of 2006-2007 Proposed Budget

The Board agreed to increase account 7300 – emergency operations to \$5,000.00 to allow for wiring the emergency shelter (a church) to accommodate the generators.

2. Building Inspection Contract Review

Attorney Roger Gordon requested that this item be moved into executive session, authorized by Government Code 551.071.

3. Building Ordinance Revised Fee Schedule

Robert Packheiser with Bureau Veritas explained that his company uses \$60.00 as the minimum construction value per square foot when building a new home. Veritas presented a recommended fee schedule.

Motion was made by Alderman Epps to adopt the recommended fee schedule and it be implemented concurrent with the signing of the contract between the Village and Bureau Veritas. Motion was seconded by Alderman Mills, motion carried unanimously.

4. Water Franchise Fee Ordinance

Mayor Ashe stated that the current water franchise fee ordinance is set to expire in September. A renewed ordinance was before the Board. There were no changes to the ordinance other than the effective dates.

Motion was made by Alderman Epps to adopt Ordinance No. 2006.11 renewing the franchise fee ordinance with the Salado Water Supply Corporation. Motion was seconded by Alderman Cooper, motion carried unanimously.

New Business:

5. Planning & Zoning Commission Recommendation on First Salado Bank Conditional Use Permit

Jim Cone with First Holland Bank made a presentation to the Board on their concept plan for a bank to be built on the north bound service road of IH35 behind the Century 21 and Post office buildings. This project was required to obtain a conditional use permit due to the property being in the Historic District and having a drive-thru window. The P&Z Commission recommends approval of the concept plan to the Board of Aldermen.

Motion was made by Alderman Strong to approve the concept plan as presented by First Salado Bank representatives and grant the Conditional Use Permit. Motion was seconded by Alderman Cooper, motion carried unanimously.

6. Sewer Study with Stagecoach Inn

Alderman Strong stated that an engineer from Austin will come to Salado and meet with Vic Means and himself to discuss whether the current Stagecoach Inn sewer lift station has the capacity to handle Main Street as well. Morris Foster, owner of the Stagecoach Inn, has drafted a contract between the Village and himself for a feasibility study to be done. Mr. Foster is requesting the Village pay half of the expense for the study. Once in hand the contract will be forwarded to Alan Bojorquez, Village Attorney, for review.

Adjourned into Executive Session at 7:35

2. Building Inspection Contract Review
7. Personnel Matters – Maintenance Worker
8. Lone Star Storage Summary Judgment

Reconvene into Regular Session at 8:24

Based upon acting Village Attorney Roger Gordon's recommendation, motion was made by Alderman Strong to approve and enter into the contract with Bureau Veritas for plan review and inspection services contingent on a liability issue to be worked out by the Village Attorney and Bureau Veritas. Motion was seconded by Alderman Stalcup, motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Alderman Cooper to go ahead and appeal the decision handed down by the county court. Motion was seconded by Alderman Stalcup, motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Alderman Cooper to allow our Village attorney's firm, Bovey, Akers & Bojorquez, to handle the appeal. Motion was seconded by Alderman Stalcup, motion carried unanimously.

Announcements:

1. Next scheduled Board meeting is September 7, 2006 at 6:30PM.

Motion was made by Alderman Epps to adjourn the meeting at 8:30pm. Motion was seconded by Alderman Stalcup, motion carried unanimously.

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Respectfully submitted,


Dianna Zulauf
Village Secretary



Rick Ashe
Mayor

