

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

Municipal Building  
Thursday, January 4, 2007  
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, Tim Fleischer – Village Voice, citizens: Bob Howerton, Robert Denman, Sue Ellen Slagel, Melanie Kirchmeier, Jim Price, John Anderson, George Dentry, Mr. & Mrs. Broecker, Don Ellis

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

**Citizen Comments:** Robert Denman stated that he believes the road area in front of Cowboy's BBQ is too dark at night and needs lighting. That is TxDOT's jurisdiction.

*Alderman Mills made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes dated December 7th. Motion was seconded by Alderman Epps, motion carried unanimously.*

**Proclamations and/or Resolution:** None

**Chief of Police Report:**

No Report.

**Report from Tourism Chair:**

Tourism Director Debbie Charbonneau presented a report indicating how many inquiries Salado has received from the magazine ads she has placed and where those inquiries are coming from. There were 124,640 inquires total with the most coming from unknown locations such as the Village's website, tour groups, e-mails, etc.

The tourism department has been tracking the number of visits to the website. In 2006 there were 99,979 visits to the website.

The Board was reminded to gather any questions or comments they might have on the proposed Strategic Plan recommendations handed out to them in November. All comments need to be submitted to the tourism office by January 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Unfinished Business:**

1. Sewage Study Report

Alderman Strong reported that the study his committee (VSEC) has been working on has stalled due to employee turnover at the Brazos River Authority and the agreement between the Village, Stagecoach Properties, and the engineering firm who would do a study on the possibility of hooking on to the Stagecoach Inn's sewer system has not been signed by the Stagecoach Inn.

Alderman Strong also stated that he has had correspondence with Congressman Carter's office regarding future assistance with a federal grant in support of a new sewage system. Alderman Strong will notify Congressman Carter's office once a study has been completed.

**New Business:**

2. Secondary Associate Judge

Alderman Stalcup stated that Justice of the Peace Don Engleking is interested in becoming Salado's secondary Municipal Court Associate Judge. Judge Engleking would then be able to arraign Salado's prisoners at the Bell County jail in the event that Judge Eads or Judge Duffield could not. This would give the Village a total of four Judge's with the authorization to assist the municipal court in anyway needed; one Municipal Court Judge – Arthur Eads, one Associate Judge – Ted Duffield, and two secondary Associate Judge's – G.W. Ivy and Don Engleking.

*Motion was made by Alderman Stalcup to appoint Judge Don Engleking as Salado's secondary Associate Judge. Motion was seconded by Alderman Strong, motion carried unanimously.*

3. Year-to-Date Financials

The financials for the current fiscal year through December were presented. The Board was cautioned by Mayor Ashe to avoid any unnecessary spending until March. There were no objections to the financials.

**Announcements:**

1. Next scheduled Board meeting is January 18, 2007 at 6:30PM.

**Regular Meeting Adjourned to go into Executive Session at 7:00PM**

1. Code Official Position

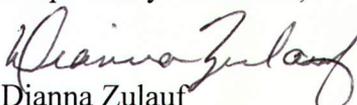
**Reconvened into Regular Session at 7:39**

*Motion was made by Alderman Strong to accept Officer Matarazzo's resignation as Salado's Code Enforcement Official. Motion was seconded by Alderman Cooper, motion carried unanimously.*

*Motion was made by Alderman Strong to adjourn the meeting at 7:40pm. Motion was seconded by Alderman Stalcup, motion carried unanimously.*

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Respectfully submitted,



Dianna Zulauf  
Village Secretary



Rick Ashe  
Mayor

