

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

Municipal Building, 301 N. Stagecoach Rd.
Thursday, January 17, 2008
6:30pm

Members present: Forrest Holloway, Merle Stalcup, Suzi Epps, Rick Ashe, Michael Cooper

Members Absent: Curt Strong

Others Present: Dianna Zulauf – Village Secretary, Alan Rogers – Chief of Police, Veronica Rivera – Assistance Village Attorney, Eldon Miller – Village Treasurer, Tim Fleischer – Village Voice, citizens: Robert Denman, Joe Price, John Anderson

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

Citizen Comments: Joe Price told the board about the International Dark Sky organization, a non-profit organization out of Tucson, Arizona that promotes quality high efficiency lighting in towns. Mr. Price presented a sample lighting ordinance and asked the board to review it and consider adopting it.

Robert Denman asked the board to look into rules and regulations that could be adopted to help with cleaning up the trashy areas of Salado. The Village currently has a Health & Sanitation ordinance in place. Dianna Zulauf will request the Code Officer to look into any regulations we currently do not have in place and enforcing the Health & Sanitation ordinance on some areas that need cleaning up.

Alderman Epps made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes dated January 3rd. Motion was seconded by Alderman Cooper, motion carried unanimously.

Alderman Stalcup made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 8th Strategic Plan workshop. Motion was seconded by Alderman Holloway, motion carried unanimously.

Proclamations: None

Chief of Police Report: No Report.

Report from Tourism Chair: No Report.

Unfinished Business:

1. Oncor Power Line Expenditures

Mayor Ashe stated that the Village has spent \$4,587.00 as of December on intervention on Oncor's proposed power line route. The board will do no more intervening; however, if Assistant Village Attorney Roger Gordon needs to attend an Oncor hearing on behalf of Salado, he will. Village Attorney Veronica Rivera stated that expenditures on this issue for legal services are at a minimum.

New Business:

2. Request for Exception to Alcohol Restriction in Pace Park – Joe Price

Mr. Price is hosting a sales meeting in mid March and has reserved Pace Park pavilion for the event. Mr. Price asked the board to allow him to serve beer and wine by the glass to about twenty-five people at this event. There will be food served as well. Alderman Cooper will look into the Pace Park Executive Committee rules to make sure exceptions can be made.

Motion was made by Alderman Cooper to grant Mr. Price's request and allow him to serve beer and wine by the glass in Pace Park during his event in mid March with the understanding that Mr. Price provide necessary insurance and be responsible for security. Motion was seconded by Alderman Stalcup, motion carried unanimously.

3. Possible Adoption of Beer and Wine Ordinance

Postponed for further research.

4. Zoning Ordinance Amendment

Postponed for further research.

5. Annex M & S of the Emergency Operations Plan

These annexes came back from a previous meeting. There were no changes recommended to Annex M. In Annex S on page S-9, the Mayor Protem is appointed as the transportation officer. In his absence the longest serving Alderman will serve as the transportation officer.

Motion was made by Alderman Epps to re-adopt Annex M with no changes and re-adopt Annex S with the appointment of Transportation Officer as stated above. Motion was seconded by Alderman Cooper, motion carried unanimously.

6. Year-to-Date Financials

Treasurer Miller went over the financials and the quarterly reports for both the Village and the Hotel/Motel accounts. There were no objections. Treasurer Miller did inform the Board that reserve funds are too low in Hotel/Motel and expenditures need to be watched closely.

7. Building Permit / Building Code Ordinance Amendment

Postponed due to further research.

8. Possible Adoption of Heavy & Oversized Vehicle Ordinance

Draft "A" of a Heavy & Oversized Vehicle ordinance was presented. This ordinance would allow the Village to dictate which routes heavy or oversized vehicles could take in Salado. This is to help reduce the damage and cost to roads. Suggestions were made to research adding some exceptions. Alderman Holloway will do that and bring this back to the board at a later date.

9. Joint Election Resolution

A joint election resolution was presented that would allow the Village, SISD, and the Library to hold a joint election in May.

Motion was made by Alderman Epps to adopt Resolution No. 058 entering into a joint election with the school and the library. Motion was seconded by Alderman Stalcup, motion carried unanimously.

Announcements:

1. Next scheduled Board meeting is February 7, 2008 at 6:30PM.
2. TxDOT Transportation Commission is putting together a corridor advisory committee for SH201 and IH35 projects. Alderman Holloway requested to be put on both committees and Alderman Cooper requested to remain on the IH35 committee.
3. TML is conducting a small cities problem solving clinic in Madisonville.

Board was to adjourn into Executive Session but decided to discuss Personnel Matters in open session.

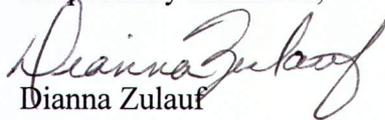
This issue is to ensure that all police positions have a job description.

Chief Rogers presented a document that laid out each officers credentials and training and stated what each officer does. The Board requested Chief Rogers to create a job description of each position reflecting the officers' responsibilities. Chief Rogers will do that and bring it back at a later date. A draft job description for the Chief of Police position was presented. The Board asked Chief Rogers to review the draft and come back to them with any recommendations or comments.

Motion was made by Alderman Epps to adjourn the meeting at 8:24pm. Motion was seconded by Alderman Holloway, motion carried unanimously.

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Respectfully submitted,


Dianna Zulauf
Village Secretary


Rick Ashe
Mayor

