

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

Municipal Building, 301 N. Stagecoach Rd.
Thursday, April 7, 2011 6:00pm

Members present: Merle Stalcup, Stephen Peters, Danney McCort, Susan Terry, Bryan Fritch

Members Absent: Carol Walls

Others Present: Dianna Zulauf – Village Secretary, Debbie Charbonneau – Tourism Director, Jack Hensley – Chief of Police, Alan Bojorquez - Village Attorney, citizens: 10

Mayor Stalcup called the meeting to order at 6:00, quorum present.

The Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge of Allegiance were recited. Matt with the Methodist Church gave the invocation.

New Business, Item #3 was moved up on the agenda to accommodate the guest speaker on this issue.

3. National Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Emergency Watershed Protection Program Damage Survey Report (Mayor Stalcup)

Commissioner Tim Brown and NRCS representative Eric Daniels explained that the Emergency Watershed Protection Program is a program that could assist Salado in the cleanup of debris and repair of watershed along Salado Creek around the infrastructures due to the September 8, 2010 floods. The cleanup would only be within the city limits of Salado. The grant program is a 75/25 request for funds. The Village would be responsible for 25% of the cost of cleanup.

Motion was made by Alderman Fritch to authorize the Mayor to sign the Recovery Document as presented. Motion was seconded by Alderman McCort; motion carried unanimously.

Adjourn into Executive Session: Alderman Fritch made a motion to not go into executive session for this issue and to discuss it in open session. Motion was seconded by Alderman Peters.

1. Consultation with Village Attorney regarding statutory requirements and legal procedures associated with Investment Officer position and responsibilities, as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.071, and 551.074.

Mayor Stalcup read a letter from Alderman Walls relating her thoughts and opinion on this issue.

Mayor Stalcup stated that he has a concern that there is a conflict of interest with Alderman Peters being the Investment Officer and requested of the attorney a clear definition of the Investment Officers powers and responsibilities. An Alderman can be the Investment Officer. The Investment Officer's duties are outlined in the Public Funds Investment Act.

Motion was made by Alderman Fritch to terminate the discussion. Motion was seconded by Alderman McCort; motion carried three to one with Alderman Peters abstaining.

Citizen Comments: None

Alderman Terry made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes dated March 17th. Motion was seconded by Alderman McCort, motion carried unanimously.

Unfinished Business:

1. Lease Agreement with Scott & White on Use of Municipal Annex Building (Mayor Stalcup)
Mayor Stalcup went over the revised Lease Agreement and EMS Agreement provided to the Village by Scott & White. This agreement would allow Scott & White EMT's and ambulance service to occupy the Village's annex building while providing ambulance service to the Village. Changes to the presented Lease agreement are: Pg 1, para J - should be 1 year, not 2. Pg 2, para M - should not have a dollar amount for rent at all. Pg 3, Sec 1.01 - is to be deleted. Pg 9, Sec 8 - delete the words "and deposits". Changes to the presented EMS agreement are: Pg 6, under Salado contact information, change Fire Chief to Mayor.
Motion was made by Alderman Fritch to authorize the Mayor to sign the one year lease agreement as presented with the above changes. Motion was seconded by Alderman Terry; motion carried unanimously.
Motion was made by Alderman Fritch to authorize the Mayor to sign the EMS agreement as presented with the above change. Motion was seconded by Alderman McCort; motion carried unanimously.

New Business:

2. Year-to-Date Financials
There was a concern on the elevated expenses for Visitor Services on the Hotel/Motel financials. This is due to unexpected higher cost for public restrooms.
There was a concern on the elevated expenses for Contract Labor on the General Fund financials. This is due to unexpected labor costs for Village cleanup.
Alderman Terry stated a concern that during the budget process it was believed that the Village budgeted \$1,000.00 to give to Leadership Salado as seed money but that is not what the budget reflects and suggested a budget amendment. The Mayor as Budget Officer will look into this.
 4. Review of Salado Volunteer Fire Department Financial Statement
The semi-annual financial statement from the fire department was presented. The annual grant of \$30,000.00 given to the fire department by the Village has been written and is ready to be issued.
Motion was made by Alderman Fritch to authorize the Mayor to sign the check and submit it to the fire department. Motion was seconded by Alderman McCort; motion carried unanimously.
- A supplemental agenda was posted was one item that needed immediate attention from the Board. The municipal court computer is down and needs to be replaced. This is the only computer that houses the court docket software. A new tower with the software and technical specifications required can be purchased from Tyler Technologies, the software provider for \$645.00. A new tower with the same specifications can be purchased directly from Dell for \$463.00. To make sure the new computer has what is needed to run the software appropriately, Court Clerk recommends purchasing from Tyler Technologies.
Motion was made by Alderman McCort to purchase a new computer tower from Tyler Technologies for the price of \$645 plus shipping. Motion was seconded by Alderman Terry; motion carried three to one with Alderman Peters opposing.

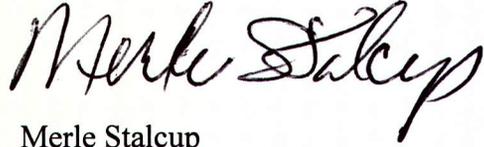
Announcements:

1. Next scheduled Board meeting is April 14, 2011 at 6:00PM.
2. Mayor Stalcup has called a workshop for Thursday, April 14th at 8:00AM to go to Morgan's Point to tour their wastewater treatment plant.

For copies of all handouts, please contact the Village office at 947-5060.

Respectfully submitted,


Dianna Zulauf
Village Secretary


Merle Stalcup
Mayor

