

Village of Salado, Texas
Board of Aldermen
Minutes
Regular Meeting
6:30 p.m. Thursday, November 3, 2016
Municipal Building, 301 N. Stagecoach Road
Salado, Texas

Present: Mayor Skip Blancett, Mayor Pro Tempore Fred Brown, Alderman Frank Coachman, Alderman Amber Preston Dankert, Alderman Michael McDougal, Alderman David Williams.

Others Present: Chrissy Lee, Village Secretary; Judy King, Administrative Assistant; Jack Hensley, Chief of Police; Mary Poché, Executive Director, Chamber of Commerce/Tourism Bureau; Laura Mueller, Village Attorney; John Simcik, Village Engineer

I. Call to Order.

1. The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and Kevin Allen, Family Pastor of First Baptist Church, opened with prayer.
2. The Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Proclamations/Special Recognition.

None.

III. Public Comments.

3. None.

IV. Reports.

Police Department Report.

Chief Jack Hensley reported that the Chapter 59 report was current. He also reported that citizens on Smith Bluff had requested a review of the possibility of placing a speed bump in their neighborhood to control the speed of drivers. It is being reviewed with the proper authorities. He provided monthly statistics for October (see attached).

Fire Department Report.

Chief Shane Berrier discussed the upcoming Freedom Walk being held on 11/10/2016 at Eagle Stadium and the Berumen Loop with all SISD students and faculty to honor military and First Responders. He provided monthly statistics for October (see attached) noting that accidents within the village limits in construction zones had diminished since the opening of more lanes.

Chamber of Commerce/Tourism Bureau Report.

Executive Director Mary Poché presented the overall plan for 2017. She encouraged all Salado events to utilize the newly designed logo and marketing plan schematic for Salado to assure a synergistic approach moving forward. This will imprint the key words used in defining Salado in the marketing campaign. She provided statistics from the fiscal year of 2015-16 to indicate that Chamber activities were on the rise. She also issued a thank you to Dave Herrmann for chairing the golf tournament which was a success. (see attached)

V. Consent Agenda.

4. Consider approving the Consent Agenda items:
 - a. Minutes, October 20, 2016, Regular Meeting.
 - b. Minutes, October 27, 2016 Special Called and Workshop Meeting
 - c. Minutes, October 31, 2016, Special Called Meeting.
 - d. Renewal of contract with FP Mailing Solutions for postage meter.

Alderman McDougal made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Mayor Pro Tempore Brown seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

VI. Workshop Agenda.

5. Discussion of the overpopulation of deer and possible remedies with representatives from Texas Parks and Wildlife.

Captain Scott Jurk and Biologist Derrick Wolter of the Texas Parks and Wildlife presented information concerning the overpopulation of deer and possible remedies. The TPWD representatives answered fact finding questions from the Mayor and Board of Aldermen.

6. Discussion of constitutional and statutory limits and authority of city regulation of hunting and the use of weapons in the Village of Salado city limits.

No discussion.

The Mayor called a recess at 8:27 p.m. to adjourn to Executive Session.

Executive Session.

The Mayor, the Board of Aldermen and the Village Attorney entered into Executive Session at 8:28 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code Section 551.071, Consultation with Attorney.

VII. Regular Session.

The Mayor reconvened the regular meeting at 8:44 p.m.

7. Presentation, discussion, and possible action on an amendment to Ordinance No. 2003.17 Weapons Ordinance or the adoption of Ordinance No. 2016. __ Regulating Hunting within the Village of Salado.

This item was referred back to the Environmental/Deer Committee and the Ordinance Committee and will be workshopped at a future meeting of the Board of Aldermen.

8. Presentation, discussion, and possible action on Ordinance No. 2016. __ allowing hunting by permit within the Village of Salado.

Mayor Pro Tem Fred Brown made a motion to move Items 7 and 8 to the Ordinance Committee and they come up with a solution that is best for the Village of Salado.

Alderman Michael McDougal seconded. Motion carried with a vote of 4-1. Alderman Amber Preston Danker voted against the motion.

Mayor Pro Tempore Fred Brown removed himself from the dais due to a personal financial interest to be discussed in Item #9.

9. Presentation, discussion, and possible action on a request for waivers from Section 3.6b, Lots and Section 3.10c, Storm Water Collection and Conveyance Systems of the Subdivision Ordinance, for Van Bibber Estates, a proposed re-plat of a subdivision located on Van Bibber Road in the Village of Salado.

Chrissy Lee presented two requests for waivers for applicant Frederick Brown, Developer for Van Bibber Estates.

The first request for waiver from Section 3.6b, requested a 24' frontage. After discussion, it was determined that this waiver was not needed after all due to a misinterpretation of the minimum lot size requirement by the developer. Fire Chief Shane Berrier was opposed to this waiver for the safety of the property owners and emergency personnel should a need for multiple emergency vehicles arise. Ultimately, it was determined that 35' was a doable width for the applicant. All parties were in agreement that a 35' frontage was acceptable.

Action: The waiver request was retracted by Mr. Scott Vernon who served as representative for applicant Frederick Brown who had removed himself from the discussion due to his position as Mayor Pro Tempore of the Board of Aldermen and his financial interest in Van Bibber Estates.

The second waiver request of Section 3.10c, Storm Water Collection and Conveyance Systems of the Subdivision Ordinance, requested that the applicant not have to provide a revised HEC-RAS report with the newly presented re-plat design. John Simcek, Village

Engineer, expressed his disapproval of this waiver due to the implications of adding more structures and impervious cover with the re-plat; thus, changing the overall findings from the initial HEC-RAS report. He suggested that should the report be waived and a flooding situation occur, it would not be defensible for the Village of Salado from legal action and would be considered a forfeiture of “due diligence” in protecting the Village of Salado’s interest.

Alderman Frank Coachman made a motion to grant a waiver from the HEC-RAS with the stipulation that Lot #2 may not be subdivided in the future.

Alderman David Williams seconded.

Discussion ensued.

The vote ended in a 2-2 tie with Alderman Frank Coachman and Alderman Michael McDougal voting yay for the approval of the waiver of Section 3.10c. Alderman David Williams and Alderman Amber Preston Dankert voted nay for the waiver. Mayor Skip Blancett cast the tie-breaking vote of nay for the waiver based on the professional advice of the Village Engineer.

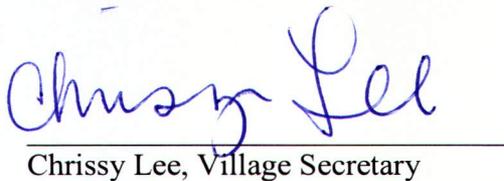
Motion failed.

VIII. Adjourn.

Alderman David Williams made a motion to adjourn. Alderman Amber Preston Dankert seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 9:37 p.m.


Skip Blancett, Mayor

ATTEST:


Chrissy Lee, Village Secretary