

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

Municipal Building
Thursday, September 6, 2007
6:30pm

Members present: Michael Cooper, Forrest Holloway, 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, Debbie Charbonneau – Tourism Director, citizens: John Anderson

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

Citizen Comments: None

Alderman Epps made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes dated August 16th. Motion was seconded by Alderman Cooper, motion carried unanimously.

Alderman Cooper made a motion to approve the Forum meeting minutes dated August 14th. Motion was seconded by Alderman Epps, motion carried unanimously.

Alderman Epps made a motion to approve the Special Called meeting minutes dated August 23rd. Motion was seconded by Alderman Stalcup, motion carried unanimously.

Proclamations: None

Chief of Police Report: No report.

Report from Tourism Chair: No Report.

Unfinished Business:

1. Proposed 2007 – 2008 Budget *Public Hearing Item*

Alderman Strong expressed concerns about having enough money for road repairs, but no changes were suggested. Mayor Ashe opened the floor to citizens for comments or questions. There were none.

New Business:

2. Hazard Mitigation Resolution

A resolution was presented that would include Salado as an active member of Bell County's Hazard Mitigation plan. This plan was put together by CTCOG. Participating in the county's plan also makes Salado eligible to be considered by FEMA in disaster situations. Adopting this resolution indicates that Salado will abide by and participate in Bell County's Hazard Mitigation plan.

Motion was made by Alderman Epps to adopt Resolution No. 053 agreeing to participate and follow Bell County's Hazard Mitigation Plan 2004 – 2009. Motion was seconded by Alderman Strong, motion carried unanimously.

3. Recommendation on Tourism Council Chair

Alderman Epps stated that she, as current Tourism Council chair, goes off the Tourism Board September 30th. The Tourism Council received one written request to be appointed as chair, from John Anderson.

Motion was made by Alderman Epps to appoint John Anderson as Tourism Council chair beginning October 1, 2007 to serve for one year. Motion was seconded by Alderman Strong, motion carried unanimously.

4. Gravel Removal at Low Water Bridge, Mill Creek

Alderman Stalcup stated that he received a letter from Lake View Services stating that they would remove the excess gravel that has washed up in Salado Creek at the low water bridge in Mill Creek for free if they can have the gravel. Owner of the company is now in the septic business and would use the gravel for septic holes. They estimate there is approximately 80 to 90 loads of gravel there. There was some concern that the gravel actually belongs to the State of Texas and the state may have some objection to the Village giving it to a company to use for profit. This item was postpone pending more research.

5. Final Report on Building Ordinance Review Committee

Alderman Stalcup presented the Board with a final report on his committees finding of Salado's current building ordinances, requirements, and fees. The report indicated that Salado is not overly restrictive in its building requirements and the fees are not out of line with other cities. It was recommended that the Village continue to use Bureau Veritas for building plan review and inspections.

6. Report on FEMA's Initial Disaster Inspection

Alderman Holloway stated that he accompanied a FEMA representative and other county officials on a tour of Salado to view the damage caused by the June flood. To be eligible for FEMA disaster public assistance (financial) the county must show damages in excess of \$730,000.00. Salado showed almost \$418,000.00 in damages but Bell County only showed \$140,000.00. Not reaching the \$730,000.00 mark, Bell County, and therefore Salado, are not eligible for FEMA public assistance.

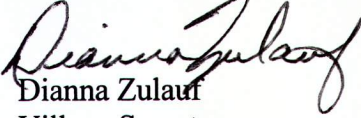
Announcements:


1. Next scheduled Board meeting is September 20, 2007 at 6:30PM.

Motion was made by Alderman Epps to adjourn the meeting at 7:08pm. Motion was seconded by Alderman Stalcup, motion carried unanimously.

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Respectfully submitted,


Dianna Zulauf
Village Secretary


Rick Ashe
Mayor

