

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

Municipal Building, 301 N. Stagecoach Rd.
Thursday, October 18, 2007
6:30pm

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

Members Absent:

Others Present: Dianna Zulauf – Village Secretary, Alan Rogers – Chief of Police, Roger Gordon – Assistant Village Attorney, Eldon Miller – Village Treasurer, citizens: 12

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

Citizen Comments: None

Alderman Strong made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes dated October 4th. Motion was seconded by Alderman Epps, motion carried unanimously.

Proclamations: Mayor Ashe read a proclamation proclaiming the week of October 16 – 19, 2007 as Chamber of Commerce Week. Alderman Epps accepted the proclamation.

Chief of Police Report: No Report.

Report from Tourism Chair: No Report.

Unfinished Business:

1. Year-to-Date Financials

Treasurer Miller went over the financials ending September 30th. The 3-month projection report indicated a possible \$42,000.00 short fall. Treasurer Miller advised the Board that this kind of short fall can not continue. Treasurer Miller also went over the quarterly reports for both the Village and Hotel/Motel accounts. There were no objections. Alderman Strong recommended having a budget workshop in the near future.

Item# 2 was moved to the end of the agenda in order to go into executive session with the attorney.

3. Report on SISD Crisis Planning

Alderman Strong reported that he and Chief Rogers attended the SISD's emergency crisis planning workshop. SISD officials are taking training on emergency procedures and are requesting the Mayor to sign a Letter of Understanding between SISD and the Village stating that the Village fully supports the efforts of SISD in the pursuit of the Department of Education's 2007 Emergency Response and Crisis Management Program.

Motion was made by Alderman Strong to authorize the Mayor to sign the Letter of Understanding. Motion was seconded by Alderman Epps, motion carried unanimously.

4. Salado Volunteer Fire Department Agreement

Alderman Stalcup informed the Board that the service agreement with the Volunteer Fire Department expires at the end of October. No changes to the agreement were recommended. *Motion was made by Alderman Stalcup to enter into another one-year agreement with the Fire Department. Motion was seconded by Alderman Strong, motion carried unanimously.*

New Business:

5. Village of Salado Mitigation Plan

Alderman Holloway explained that in order for Salado to apply for state mitigation grants we must have a formal state mitigation plan. Salado does by being a part of the county's mitigation plan. A grant through FEMA would pay 75% of flood prevention repairs and Salado would be responsible for 25%.

Motion was made by Alderman Stalcup to form a committee not to exceed 5 members to review the grant, make application and form an action plan. Motion was seconded by Alderman Epps, motion carried unanimously.

6. Low Water Crossing Barricades

Alderman Strong and Chief Rogers presented another option for water barricades, barrels that can be set out in road, and/or sawhorse type barricades. Alderman Holloway made a suggestion of using flexible reflective posts that lock into place in the pavement. The Board asked Chief Rogers to gather all possible types of barricades that he believes can be used and bring it back to the Board at a later date.

2. Update on Oncor Transmission Lines

Mayor Ashe explained that the Board needed to confer with the attorney on this matter and adjourned into Executive Session at 7:25.

Reconvened into regular session at 7:42.

Attorney Roger Gordon introduced Shaun St.Clair, the attorney hired by the residents in the areas where Oncor wants to run power lines. Mr. St.Clair explained the chain of events to come with the Public Utilities Commission and explained that his clients want Oncor to move their purposed power line route from the Salado switching station to the Bell County switching station. Mr. St. Clair asked the Board for their continued support and participation in this effort. The Board agreed to continue their support and directed Roger Gordon to continue to monitor the situation and coordinate with Mr. St.Clair.

Announcements:


1. Next scheduled Board meeting is November 1, 2007 at 6:30PM.
2. Mayor Ashe informed those present that he has decided not to run for Mayor again in the May election.

Motion was made by Alderman Stalcup to adjourn the meeting at 7:57pm. Motion was seconded by Alderman Holloway, motion carried unanimously.

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Respectfully submitted,


Dianna Zulauf
Village Secretary


Rick Ashe
Mayor

