

**Village of Salado Municipal Building  
301 North Stagecoach Road  
Salado, Texas  
Minutes of Special Called Meeting/Public Hearing of Board of Aldermen  
August 26, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.**

The Board of Aldermen meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Henry.  
*The meeting was conducted in person and on YouTube.*

Mayor Henry gave the Invocation, and the Board of Aldermen led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

Board Members Present: Mayor Bert Henry, Mayor Pro-Tem Rodney Bell, Alderman Zach Hurst, and Alderman Michael MacDonald and Alderman D. Jasen Graham

Staff Present: Village Administrator Manual De La Rosa, City Secretary Debra Bean, Police Chief Allen Fields and Marketing, Tourism Manager Deanna Whitson and City Planner Gina Pence.

**1. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Jim Boynton spoke regarding his past experiences with previous village administration.

**2. WORKSHOP**

**(A) PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2025 OPERATING BUDGET**

Public comment speakers included Tim Fleischer, Daryl Street, and Linda Reynolds.

**(B) PROPOSED TAX RATE**

Public comment speakers included Mike French and Kristi Carlson.

**3. PUBLIC HEARING**

**(A) HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE PROPOSED AD VALOREM TAX RATE FOR THE 2024 TAX YEAR TO HELP FUND THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2025 OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE VILLAGE OF SALADO.**

Public comment speakers included Zane Canaday, Linda Reynolds, Jim Boynton, Brian Sunshine, and Tim Fleischer.

4. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLE ACTION

- (A) DISCUSS AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 2024-13, AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SALADO ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE VILLAGE OF SALADO, TEXAS; DECLARING FINDINGS OF FACT; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN OPEN MEETINGS CLAUSE.

Mayor Henry opened the floor for public comments. There were none. Motion by Aderman Graham, seconded by Alderman Hurst to adopt the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Annual Operating Budget for the Village of Salado. All approved and motion carried by a vote of four in favor, none opposed.

- (B) DISCUSS AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 2024-14, AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SALADO, TEXAS, SETTING A PROPERTY (AD VALOREM) TAX RATE; APPROVING THE AD VALOREM TAX RATE AND LEVY OF \$0.4860 PER ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100) OF ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE VILLAGE FOR THE 2024 TAX YEAR TO FUND THE FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE VILLAGE OF SALADO; PROVIDING FOR AN EXEMPTION ON RESIDENCE HOMESTEADS; PROVIDING FOR EXEMPTIONS FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE DISABLED OR 65 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES AND INTEREST; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEALING CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR PROPER NOTICE AND MEETING; PROVIDING FOR ENGROSSMENT AND ENROLLMENT; PROVIDING FOR NOTIFICATION TO ASSESSOR; AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Henry opened the floor for public comments. Tim Fleischer spoke at this time.

Motion made by Alderman Graham, seconded by Alderman Hurst to approve Ordinance No. 2024-14, an ordinance of the Village of Salado, Texas, setting a property (ad valorem) tax rate; approving the ad valorem tax rate and levy of \$0.4860 per one hundred dollars (\$100) of assessed valuation of all taxable property within the corporate limits of the village for the 2024 tax year to fund the fiscal year 2024-2025 operating budget for the Village of Salado; providing for an exemption on residence homesteads; providing for exemptions for individuals who are disabled or 65 years of age or older; providing for penalties and interest; providing for severability; providing for repealing conflict; providing for proper notice and meeting; providing for engrossment and enrollment; providing for notification to assessor; and providing for publication and effective date. All approved and motion carried by a vote of four in favor, none opposed.

- (C) DISCUSS AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE AN ESCROW AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF SALADO, TEXAS, AND CAMPBELL BRANCH INVESTMENT LLC, REFERRED TO AS THE DOROTHY THREE (3) AND THE DOROTHY FOUR (4) DEVELOPMENTS, AND AUTHORIZE THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT.

Mayor Henry opened the floor for public comments. There were none.  
Motion by Mayor Pro-Tem Bell, seconded by Alderman MacDonald to approve the agreement as written. All approved and motion carried by a vote of four in favor, none opposed.

- (D) DISCUSS AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NUMBER 2024-15, AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SALADO, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO ESCROW AGREEMENTS TO REIMBURSE THE VILLAGE FOR ENGINEERING, LEGAL, CONSULTING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE FEES, AND PROVIDING FINDINGS OF FACT; EFFECTIVE DATE; REPEALER; SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROPER NOTICE AND MEETING.

Mayor Henry opened the floor for public comments. There were none.  
Motion by Mayor Pro-Tem Bell, seconded by Alderman MacDonald, to approve the ordinance as written. All approved and motion carried by a vote of four in favor, none opposed.

- (E) DISCUSS AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 2024-16, AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SALADO, TEXAS, DISSOLVING THE PARKS ADVISORY BOARD, TOURISM ADVISORY BOARD, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY BOARD, AND MUSIC FRIENDLY COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD, AND PROVIDING FINDINGS OF FACT; EFFECTIVE DATE; REPEALER; SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROPER NOTICE AND MEETING.

Mayor Henry opened the floor for public comments. Public comment speakers included Brian Sunshine, Linda Reynolds and Jeff McClure.  
Motion by Alderman Hurst, seconded by Alderman Graham, to approve the ordinance as written. All approved and motion carried by a vote of four in favor, none opposed.

- (F) DISCUSS AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 2024-17, AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SALADO, TEXAS, ESTABLISHING UTILITY SERVICE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OUTSIDE OF THE VILLAGE MUNICIPAL LIMITS, AND PROVIDING FINDINGS OF FACT; EFFECTIVE DATE; REPEALER; SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROPER NOTICE AND MEETING.

Mayor Henry opened the floor for public comments. Tim Fleischer spoke at this time.

Motion by Mayor Pro-Tem Bell, seconded by Alderman MacDonald, to approve the ordinance as written. All approved and motion carried by a vote of four in favor, none opposed.

- (G) DISCUSS AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 2024-18, AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SALADO, TEXAS, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2019-15; AMENDING THE METHOD FOR THE CALCULATION OF THE FEES CHARGED IN THE VILLAGE OF SALADO FOR BUILDING PERMITS AND INSPECTION FEES, AND PROVIDING FINDINGS OF FACT; EFFECTIVE DATE; REPEALER; SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROPER NOTICE AND MEETING.

Mayor Henry opened the floor for public comments. There were none. Motion by Alderman Hurst, seconded by Alderman Graham, to approve the ordinance as written. All approved and motion carried by a vote of four in favor, none opposed.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Henry called the meeting adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Approved:

  
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Bert Henry, Mayor

Attest:

  
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Debra Bean, City Secretary