

**CITY OF KOSSE  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY OCTOBER 19, 2021- 7:00 P.M.**

Council Members Present:

Cullen Freeman      Harley Leazer      Kelli Eno      Kendall Funderburk

Council Members Absent:

Ronnie Funderburk

Mayor Brooks Valls opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance. Councilmember Kendall Funderburk led with a prayer. A quorum was present with four members present. Proper posting of the meeting was confirmed.

Consent Items: Minutes from the last meeting, accounts payable, and current general ledgers were reviewed. A motion by Kendall Funderburk was made to approve. Cullen Freeman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Update on Kosse Project 150- Mayor Brooks Valls stated the Fire Department is still waiting for their 501c3 to get the Fire Station started.

Public Hearing on Property at 137 E Quincy Street, Kosse, Texas; A197ICL R Flippin ICL, Acres 2. Started 7:02 p.m. Discussion took place on the property and all the violations that it has. Ended 7:10 p.m.

Discussion and take action on Property at 137 East Quincy. Kendall Funderburk made a motion to order the property be cleaned up within the next 30 days. Harley Leazer seconded. Motion carried. City Secretary will draw up the order and deliver it to all owners.

Discussion and take action on Ordinance of The City of Kosse, Texas Abandoning Section of Undeveloped Street (Ivy Street). It was explained that this portion of the road was petitioned by the adjoining landowners to be abandoned. Kelli Eno made a motion to pass the Ordinance abandoning the section of undeveloped street (Ivy Street). Cullen Freeman seconded. Motion carried.

Discussion and take action on Police Pay Submitted by Councilmen Kendall Funderburk. Kendall Funderburk explained to the council that the city will have a hard time to attract new officers with the pay that they City is at right now. He compared salaried to the surrounding towns and everyone is around \$41,500. Discussion to took place. Kendall Funderburk made a motion to add \$3,000 to each salary and then later set up a merit program for the officers when they obtain a new police certificate. The money will be budgeted from unspent general funds from 2020-2021. Kelli Eno seconded. Motion carried.

Discussion and take action on RESOLUTION NO. 10192021 - Street Resurface Loan. The loan is up for its yearly renewal. \$79,000 is left on the loan. Cullen Freeman made a motion to renew the street resurface loan with Farmers State Bank. Mayor Brooks Valls and City Secretary will be the signers. Kendall Funderburk seconded. Motioned.

Discussion and take action on Award of Sealed Bid for City Owned Items.

Bids were open and awarded to the highest bidder. Kelli Eno made a motion to award the mower Jack Foshee for \$205.00 Cullen seconded. Motion carried.

Kendall made a motion to award the shredder to Jimmy O'Neal for \$151.69. Harley Leazer seconded. Motion carried.

Discussion and take action on Award of Sealed Bid for Building Purchase for 103 North Narcissus Kosse, Texas (Old City Office Building).

There were two bids open. Bradley Milstead bid \$16,100 and Preservation Texas bid \$15,500. Mayor Brooks Valls recommended all bids be rejected. Discussion took place on why the bids should be rejected. There was no wording in the publication of the bid that stipulates what the building can be used for. Mayor Valls explained that it needs to be further looked at to see if we can restrict the usage of the building. Preservation Texas is trying to designate Kosse Downtown as a historical district and the usage of the old city office as living quarters could create an issue. Harley Leazer made motion to reject all bids. Cullen Freeman seconded. Motion carried.

Discussion and take action on RESOLUTION NO. 10192021A- Approving Submitting Projects for Emergency Preparedness Plan Funding from Limestone County. Mayor Valls explained that he met with Limestone County and they stated they have received millions from the State from the CARES act. They are wanting to help surrounding towns with water or broadband projects. They want a proposal sent in in the next 30 days. The fund range is around \$200,000. The best project the Public Works director can see that would help the town is the rehab of the water tower. If another project is needed to submit Charlese recommended upgrading well site 2 but that would be upwards of \$500,000. Kendall made a motion to submit the water rehab project to the Limestone County Commissioners for review. Kelli Eno seconded. Motion carried.

Charles Dickerson gave the Water report. Produced 1.1 gallons. No major leaks. The bypass at Mr. Kellys under Highway 7 is completed. He has stated the Aaron Tucker project on 703/707, 5 new water meters. It is 3600 feet of 2in pipe. Clontz across the street from this project can still not have water unless he wants to bore across the county road.

Court Clerk Christina Lockhart gave the Municipal Court report. We will have in person court in this week with 35 cases on the docket.

Chief New gave the police report. 71 citations. 13 tickets over the weekend. The new officer is doing good. We will have 4 officers present at the street dance.

Karen Partin gave the EDC report. The EDC would like to abolish type A and change to Type B. They will be looking into it. The EDC will be withdrawing the TPWD application and not continuing with the ball park grant.

Brooks Valls gave the KCC report. Meeting after this. Bingo has been moved to October 29<sup>th</sup>. The Thanksgiving dinner is the 11<sup>th</sup> of November and Santa will be in town on the 9<sup>th</sup> of December at 6:30 for both.

Kendall Funderburk gave the report. They have spent \$25,000 all on trucks and equipment. It also looks as of now that they will not be getting the medical bags back. Still working on that issue.

Kelli Eno made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Harley Leazer seconded. Motion carried.

s/Brooks Valls 11/23/2021  
Mayor Date

ATTEST:  
s/Christina Lockhart 11/23/2021  
City Secretary Date