

Town Crier

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CITY OF KOSSE NEWSLETTER

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WATER WELL NEWS!!

The third test well has been completed and the water was tested. Analysis showed the water is good, and we now have two usable well sites, with good water. The money for construction of the wells and new water tower has been secured at a closing in early August. Construction of the project will cost approximately 2.1 million dollars. The city council authorized the mayor to administrate the project with the engineering company, and the project should be moving forward in the coming months.

EMPLOYMENT NEWS

Long time dedicated employee Nora Ensminger, decided it was time to leave the ranks of the city office. Nora will remain a very active volunteer of the area Food Bank, and other activities around town. A retirement party will be held on August 25th at the Kosse Community Center from 7:00-9:00 p.m. Come on out and help Thank Nora for her 16 years of dedicated service to the community.

HAVE YOU HEARD?

The City of Kosse has submitted an application to the Texas Department of Agriculture office of Rural Affairs under the community enhancement fund for a medical center. That rural health clinic will provide healthcare locally and will be located downtown. This will be quite a competitive process, hopefully Kosse will be chosen, more information on that topic in the future.

KOSSE COMMUNITY CENTER NEWS

Now that Homecoming 2016 is over we can take a little breather! All was a success with a little profit to be made by all. Lots of things being planned by the Center, it will be getting a new roof soon. Cen-Tex Roofing will be performing the job. The center has been in need of repair for quite some time, and the new roof is just the beginning.

NATIONAL HISTORICAL TRAIL NEAR KOSSE!

The El Camino Real is fixing to become real! Just a few miles east/north east of Kosse around FM 2749. It's exciting to know that in our area we will have a National Historic Trail, marked with highway signs. According to a press release recently Mr. Robert Hicks from Robertson county described El Camino Real as "AMERICA'S, TEXAS' and this county's greatest untold story." The trail will be listed on the National Park Service website.

More information on El Camino Real will be held in the spring in Groesbeck.

DOWNTOWN IMPROVEMENTS

Our downtown awnings have been replaced with a few extra ones here and there. This is a combined effort on behalf of the Kosse Economic Development Committee and the City of Kosse. Construction was performed by LG Hogan. Also if you haven't noticed, you need to take a walk down our sidewalks in town. Local artist Hazel Dudley has performed an excellent job on some trash can planters that are placed on the sidewalks, our Economic Committee also had a hand in that.

24 HOUR ON CALL WATER SERVICE

You can now reach our local service men for all water emergencies if needed 24 hours a day. The water/sewer employees are Marcos Basabe, Charles Dickerson and Anthony Ramirez. They will have an on call cell phone, and someone will be on call at all times. The city staff is striving to exceed expectations and provide the best possible services. In an effort to expand our abilities, and be more available to the public, the city hall will be open until 4:00p.m. daily starting on September 01, 2016.

REMINDERS

- AIR-EVAC service is available on your water bill for \$5.00 per month for your whole family, just stop by the city office to fill out forms, its simple & a great service to have when you need it!!
- We would like to remind folks you can donate \$1.00 a month on your water bill to KOSSE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, it's a small donation to make for such a great service, we are thankful to have them.
- If you are having a party at the city- park you can call the city office to get the restrooms unlocked, unfortunately we can't leave them unlocked due to past vandalism. Also please remember to take your trash with you, let's keep our parks clean! Till next time-drink plenty of fluids and stay out of the heat if you can!

Dogs

There have been numerous dog issues recently, including aggressive dogs roaming and attacking people and other animals. Everyone has the right to walk on the streets and enjoy public property without being chased by aggressive dogs and aggressive dogs will not be tolerated. Dogs roaming at large are a violation of city ordinance, and enforcement actions will be taken against roaming dogs. Please be courteous and neighborly and protect your pets. Dogs found wondering the streets may be impounded, and or the owner fined. Aggressive dogs will be impounded and owners may be fined and required to obtain liability insurance for the dogs.