

# Town Crier

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## Water Well Project

The Water Well Project is now in full swing again now that the issue with the Houston Toad has been solved. The City will no longer be constructing a water tower but will instead install pressurized tanks and ground storage tanks with large pumps. This will function the same as a water tower. The project was re-engineered using pressure tanks as a way around postponing construction for three years while environmental experts study the proposed tower site to determine the toad is not there. The pressure tanks will provide the pressure and water supply to town in place of a water tower, with no change or limitation in water service to our community.

## Kosse Medical Clinic

The original bids for the construction for the Medical Clinic came in very over budget. Since then, the Mayor and Engineer has explored all options on getting the project in budget. The project will be set for Re-Bidding in the next couple weeks. Hopefully the bids will come in budget and we can get started on the construction. If everything goes well, it looks like Limestone Medical Center will be able to be in the Medical Clinic by the end of this year.

## Easter Egg Hunt

The annual Kosse Easter Egg Hunt will take place at the City Park on March 31 at 9 a.m. Get your kiddos out for a great time! We are also in need of candy donations. You can drop off candy at the City Office, Bank or Bushwackers. Thank you.

## Sales Tax

The Kosse Sales Tax allocations have continued to increase in the past months compared to this time last year. The City received \$7408 in March, up 16.42 percent from March 2017, where the City received \$6192. This is great for the news for the future and sustainability of our town.

## Update Phone Numbers

The Water Department is in need of updated phone numbers on all water customers. This will help the City get in contact with you if there is a leak at your residence or an outage that is going to occur. If you can please write your updated phone number on your water bill stub when you pay your water bill that would be great. You can also call the office an update it.

## Auto-Draft Payment

A quick and easy way to pay your water bill every month is to be on auto-draft. This service is free and easy. You will still receive a copy of your water bill but you will not have to deal with the hassle of getting out and paying your bill. Auto-Draft is drafted just like a check on the 10<sup>th</sup> of every month. If you are interested in this service, call or swing by the office and get set up.

## Election

The Election to be held on May 5, 2018 has been cancelled due to the incumbent candidates being unopposed. The incumbent candidate for Mayor is Jarrod Eno. Ronnie Funderburk, Harley Leazer, LB Perry are the incumbent candidates for Council Member. They will be sworn into office for their two-year term at the May Council meeting that will be held May 8<sup>th</sup>. The City of Kosse thanks the dedication of the Mayor and Council Members.

## Kosse Homecoming 2018

Kosse Homecoming is right around the corner. There have been some changes to homecoming this year. There unfortunately will not be a Rodeo this year. But we have added a new exciting event this year. There will be a "Bob Wills' Birthplace" Fiddle Festival held at the Kosse Community Center on Friday June 8<sup>th</sup>. Also, the headliner for the street dance is John Conlee. You can purchase tickets online now. As we get closer to Homecoming more details will be available on the Homecoming Weekend fun events. Always stay update on what is going on by going to [www.kossetexas.com](http://www.kossetexas.com).

## Volunteers

The Kosse Community Center is always looking for volunteers for Homecoming and other events that they have planned for the City. If you have time and want to get involved, please come out to the Community Center meeting. The meetings are usually the third Tuesday of the month.

## Spring Cleaning

If you are going to be doing some spring cleaning, the City has a dumpster that is brought in free of charge the First weekend of the month. Please do not place paint, tires or batteries inside the dumpster. Also, if it is full please do not place items next to the dumpster. It will be dumped the beginning of every month.

## Smoke Detectors

The City of Kosse, Kosse Fire Department, Kosse Masonic Lodge and American Red Cross will be partnering for a fire safety event in April. We will be installing free smoke detectors with a ten-year battery included for anyone interested within the city limits. If your smoke detectors are more than ten years old, or you don't have any please let us know at city office so we can start a list of homes to visit for the free installation.

## Get Your Prayer On

Join us Easter Sunday morning at the City Park for an Easter Sunrise worship service. The Easter Sunrise Service is sponsored by the First Baptist Church of Kosse, The First United Methodist Church of Kosse and the Common Ground Cowboy Church. Services will begin at 7:15 a.m. Donuts and juice will be provided. We hope to see you all