

Town Crier

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CITY OF KOSSE NEWSLETTER

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Aubrey "Billy" JONES

It is with deep regret the city announces the passing of Billy Jones. Billy was a staple at city hall, and throughout the community. Billy was the definition of a community man, he helped hundreds of people throughout the years with all kinds of tasks. He also volunteered on the fire department and kept the city infrastructure working at all costs, on many occasions working long days and nights. Billy also led the community spiritually as a Deacon and Sunday school teacher at the Greater Antioch Baptist Church. Billy passed away peacefully at home surrounded by family and friends. He was laid to rest on April 23, 2016 with fire department and masonic honors.

Billy was honored with a retirement party held at the Kosse Community Center on April 09, 2016. At his retirement party Mayor Eno issued a proclamation which dedicated Billy's Birthday of October 10 as Billy Jones Day, which will be a city holiday going forward. This honor was bestowed on Billy for his 40 plus years of dedicated service and the love he showed to our community.

Water Well Project

The two test wells were completed; however, well number two will not be used due to extremely high levels of iron. Drilling of a third test well will begin in the next couple of weeks at another location. We are on schedule to receive the construction money for the drilling of the final wells and construction of the new water tower, treatment plant and pipeline in July. The project is moving forward at a steady pace.

City Council Election

Election day is Saturday May 07, 2016 at the Kosse Community Center from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00p.m. The mayor and three council members are up for re-election. The Mayor Jarrod Eno is running unopposed. The three council members running for re-election are Ronnie Funderburk, Harley Leazer and Reverend L.B. Perry. Trish Roy and Virden Hill are also running for the three open seats on the council. The council seats in Kosse are all at large, meaning the three people with the highest number of votes will win the three seats.

Farmers/Vendors Market

4th Saturday of the Month Downtown
8:00 am- 1:00 pm
Please come out and support local vendors

Sewer Issues

A sewer Audit was just performed by TCEQ, and they have cited the city too much rain water getting into the sewer, causing overflow problems. The biggest contributor to this problem is open or broken clean outs. The city is responsible for ensuring the sewer system operates normally and public works personnel will be repairing any broken or missing clean out covers. The expense of the new cap will be added to the water bills of any clean outs repaired on private property.

City Wide Clean-Up

The City is working hard to clean up around town and abandoned properties in town. Please join in our efforts and get Kosse cleaned up for Homecoming. The dumpster for City Wide Clean-Up will be available from **May 16th until May 30th**. The city will be sprayed for mosquitoes the week of homecoming. The spraying will occur late at night, and for three nights in a row. It is recommended that you do not go outside and play in the vapor cloud as the truck passes by your home. The mosquitoes are very bad this year. Please check your property and make sure there are no containers or tubs holding water that mosquitoes can use as a breeding ground. We understand that drainage of the ditches is an issue in some places and plans are being made to work on the trouble areas to enable better drainage.

Homecoming 2016

Schedule of events for Homecoming weekend June 12&13

Come Out and Enjoy

Friday - June 10th

1:00PM-6:00PM - BBQ Cookoff Check-in @ Old Kosse School Site

5:00PM - Community Center Open to Public

8:00PM-UPRA/CPRA Rodeo @ Kosse Roping Pen

Saturday - June 11th

8:00AM - 9th Annual Kosse Greyhound 5K Run/Walk @ Kosse City Park

10:00AM - Downtown Parade -

Call Kelly @ 254-645-0199 to enter

11:00AM Kosse VFD BBQ Lunch @ Community Center

1:00PM - 3:00PM - Open House @ Kosse Heritage House

2:00PM - BBQ Cookoff Judging

1:00PM-6:00PM - Family Waterslide Fun @ Kosse City Park

8:00PM-UPRA/CPRA Rodeo @ Kosse Roping Pen

9:00PM - 1:00AM - Street Dance Featuring

THE JAKE GILL BAND

with JEFF WOOLSEY & THE DANCE HALL KINGS

Gates Open at 8:00PM

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