

**The City of Kurten**  
**City Council Meeting Minutes**  
**November 26, 2013**

**Regular City Council Meeting**

1. Mayor Vitulli called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. Aldermen Hodge, Lindahl, Estes, Klintworth, and Adams were present. Mr. Joe Trowbridge also in attendance.
2. Citizen's Comments:
  - a. North and South Oakland need grading, but it is too wet.
  - b. Mr. Ponce cleaned his ditch, but the drainage problem is still not fixed.
  - c. Mr. Trowbridge called Commissioner Catalena and discussed drainage on North and South Oakland. Commissioner Catalena will contact the Brazos County Engineers to see what can be done.
  - d. Mayor Vitulli will write a letter to Mr. Ponce and copy Commissioner Catalena stating the problem and what needs to be fixed.
3. October 22, 2013 City Council minutes were reviewed. Motion by Alderman Estes to approve minutes. Alderman Klintworth seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
4. Review and approve financial report. No report for November.

The City's bank accounts (regular bank account, three CD's, and one money market checking account) for October and November are as follows:

  - a. Savings 1628 - Deposits for July were \$25,000.00; interest paid for October was \$6.17 and for November was \$6.37 for a November 2013 balance of \$25,024.87.
  - b. Savings 1629 - Deposits for July were \$25,000.00; interest paid for October was \$9.25 and for November was \$9.56 for a November 2013 balance of \$25,037.31.
  - c. Savings 1630 - Deposits for July were \$25,000.00; interest paid for October was \$18.53 and for November was \$19.16 for a November 2013 balance of \$25,074.70.
  - d. Money Market Checking 0137 - Deposits for July were \$18,371.78; interest paid for October was \$3.12 for a November 2013 balance of \$18,381.34.
  - e. Regular checking account balance October 31, 2013 was \$6,633.48.
5. Consider and take action on the following bills:

Ck#2200 Brazos Central Appraisal District (Operating Budget)	\$ 258.00
Ck#2201 Joy Ramsey (Secretarial Services)	\$ 225.00
BTU Draft	\$ 12.61
BTU Draft	\$ 25.49
BTU Draft	\$ 37.83

Alderman Lindahl motioned to authorize Mayor Vitulli to pay these bills as stated, seconded by Alderman Estes. Motion passed unanimously.
6. Discuss Road Maintenance.
  - a. Mayor Vitulli contact Brazos County for a bid for tree sap base for North and South Oakland but has not gotten anything from the county.
  - b. Alderman Klintworth will get an estimate for asphalt.
7. Discuss report from Planning and Zoning Commission on amendments to Zoning Ordinance and other zoning matters.
  - a. Mayor Vitulli received an application from Carrie Smith, BCS Leasing, for reviewing plans for a Kurten Business Park. Mr. Smith has purchased 50.85 acres on State Highway 21 across from Democrat Road. Mayor Vitulli would like to offer annexation, and if there is interest, the council would like to know what kind of businesses will be in the park and if he will maintain the road within the park.

8. Discuss and develop a plan for issues on North and South Oakland.
  - a. Alderman Adams and Mr. Trowbridge have met and discussed the issues on North and South Oakland but are not sure what the city can do regarding clean-up of the properties on these roads. The council states there is nothing that can be done by the city unless there are health issues, which there are not at this time.
9. Discuss fire department appreciation.
  - a. Mayor Vitulli will contact Merrie Nowak to form a committee with other communities to discuss the issues and will report back to the city. They have not met at this time.
10. Discuss and take action on Brazos County waste location.
  - a. Mayor Vitulli will send a letter to Commissioner Catalena stating that the City of Kurten cannot keep the county from purchasing property (the commercial property of Larry West), but that the county will have to follow all ordinances of the City of Kurten.
11. Discuss and take action on Proposed Kurten Business Park location in the ETJ of Kurten.
  - a. Council discussed the application from Carrie Smith, BCS Leasing, for reviewing plans for a Kurten Business Park. Mayor Vitulli would like to offer annexation, but will contact Mr. Smith with questions about the businesses and road maintenance in the park and report to council.
12. Discuss and take action on future annexation.
  - a. Mayor Vitulli has sent letters to the below residents discussing annexation, but has not received any correspondence from any of them to date.
    - a. Clark and Susan Gandy
    - b. George Batten
    - c. Carol Wood
13. Discussion of future agenda items.
  - a. None.
14. The date for the next regular meeting will be 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, December 17, 2013.
15. Motion to adjourn regular meeting at 7:50 p.m. made by Alderman Klintworth, seconded by Alderman Estes. Motion passed unanimously.

Minutes respectfully submitted. Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Joy Ramsey, City Secretary