

**The City of Kurten
City Council Meeting Minutes
December 17, 2013**

Regular City Council Meeting

1. Mayor Vitulli called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. Aldermen Hodge, Lindahl, and Estes were present. Absent were Alderman Klintworth and Adams.
2. Citizen's Comments: Mayor Vitulli sent Mr. Ponce a letter asking him to take care of his drainage problem within 60 days of receipt of the letter and has heard nothing from him.
3. November 26, 2013 City Council minutes were reviewed. Motion by Alderman Lindahl to approve minutes. Alderman Hodge seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
4. Review and approve financial report. The City's bank accounts (regular bank account, three CD's, and one money market checking account) for December are as follows:
 - a. Savings 1628 - Deposits for July were \$25,000.00; interest paid for November was \$6.37 for a December 2013 balance of \$25,024.87.
 - b. Savings 1629 - Deposits for July were \$25,000.00; interest paid for November was \$9.56 for a December 2013 balance of \$25,037.31.
 - c. Savings 1630 - Deposits for July were \$25,000.00; interest paid for November was \$19.16 for a December 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 and for November was \$3.02 for a December 2013 balance of \$18,384.36.
 - e. Regular checking account beginning balance October 1, 2013 was \$5,849.44. Deposits added \$10,161.34; Expenses paid \$2,456.68 for a December balance of \$13,554.10.
 - f. Total Savings/Money Market Checking \$93,521.24. Regular checking account \$13,554.10. Total Bedia Bank Accounts \$107,075.34 with interest earned of \$41.23.

Motion made by Alderman Hodge to approve financial report. Alderman Estes seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Consider and take action on the following bills:

Ck#2202	USPS (Annual PO Box Service Fee)	\$ 44.00
Ck#2203	Haley & Olson P C (Attorney Consultation)	\$ 331.50
Ck#2204	Joy Ramsey (Secretarial Services)	\$ 225.00
CK#2205	Joy Ramsey (Reimbursement for Postage)	\$ 13.60
BTU Draft		\$ 12.61
BTU Draft		\$ 24.42
BTU Draft		\$ 37.83

Alderman Hodge motioned to authorize Mayor Vitulli to pay these bills as stated, seconded by Alderman Lindahl. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Discuss Road Maintenance.
 - a. Mayor Vitulli received two bids from Brazos County for tree sap base for North and South Oakland. The first bid for tree sap and chloride with no gravel added was \$12,404.36 and would need to be replaced in six to eight months. The second bid was to put 3" of new base and apply the same tree sap and chloride material for \$49,216.96 with an estimated annual amount of \$8,400.00.
 - b. Alderman Klintworth was absent and did not report on a pricing for asphalt.

7. Discuss report from Planning and Zoning Commission on amendments to Zoning Ordinance and other zoning matters.
 - a. Mayor Vitulli received a call from a salesman of manufactured homes asking for information about putting a modular home on Kurten Cemetery Road. Mayor Vitulli discussed the requirements with the salesman and has not heard back from him.
8. 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.
9. Discuss and take action on Brazos County waste location.
 - a. Mayor Vitulli talked to Larry West about the purchase of his property by the county. Mr. West indicated the transaction has not been finalized. Upon the finalization of the purchase, Mayor Vitulli will send a letter to Commissioner Catalena stating that the county will have to follow all ordinances of the City of Kurten.
10. Discuss and take action on Proposed Kurten Business Park location in the ETJ of Kurten.
 - a. Mayor Vitulli discussed annexation of the 50.85 acres on State Highway 21 for the proposed Kurten Business Park with Carrie Smith, BCS Leasing. Mr. Smith is interested in annexation but is concerned about the restrictions. He would like to own the road in the business park for a while and then turn over to the city. He also discussed tax abatement with Mayor Vitulli. The tax abatement cannot be done. The business park is not going forward at this time as Brazos County has rejected Mr. Smith's plans and requested more information. The City of Kurten will take no action until the county has finalized the plans. The advantage of annexation to the City of Kurten would be possible tax income and the city could control what businesses reside in the park.
11. Swear in Mayor, Ronnie Vitulli, Alderman Place 1, Gordon Klintworth, and Alderman Place 2, Nancy Lindahl.
 - a. Mayor Ronnie Vitulli and Alderman Place 2 Nancy Lindahl were sworn in. Alderman Place 1, Gordon Klintworth was absent.
12. Discuss and take action on future annexation. None.
13. Discussion of future agenda items.
 - a. None.
14. The date for the next regular meeting will be 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 28, 2014.
15. Motion to adjourn regular meeting at 7:40 p.m. made by Alderman Estes, seconded by Alderman Hodge. Motion passed unanimously.

Minutes respectfully submitted. Signed: _____
Joy Ramsey, City Secretary