

**The City of Kurten**  
**City Council Meeting Minutes**  
**September 23, 2014**

**Regular City Council Meeting**

1. Mayor Vitulli called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. Aldermen Hodge, Lindahl, Klintworth, King, and Estes were present. Citizens Joe Trowbridge and Larry King were also in attendance.
2. Citizen's Comments:
  - a. Alderman Estes reported that Kevin Boaz, Pastor of Zion Church of Kurten, would like to request rumble strips be installed in front of the church.
  - b. Mayor Vitulli will request TxDOT do a traffic study in that area.
3. August 26, 2014 City Council minutes were reviewed. Motion by Alderman Hodge to approve minutes. Alderman Estes seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
4. September 9, 2014 Special Public Meeting minutes were reviewed. Motion by Alderman Estes to approve minutes. Alderman Lindahl seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
5. September 9, 2014 Special Council Meeting minutes were reviewed. Motion by Alderman Lindahl to approve minutes. Alderman Estes seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
6. Review and approve financial report. No report for September.
7. Consider and take action on the following bills:

Ck#2226 The Eagle (Small Taxing Unit Notice)	\$ 22.66
Ck#2227 TML (TML Member Service Fees)	\$ 536.00
Ck#2228 Joy Ramsey (Secretarial Services)	\$ 225.00
BTU Draft	\$ 12.61
BTU Draft	\$ 22.52
BTU Draft	\$ 37.83

Alderman Estes motioned to authorize Mayor Vitulli to pay these bills as stated, seconded by Alderman Hodge. Motion passed unanimously.
8. Discuss Road Maintenance.
  - a. The estimate from the county for correcting the ditch drainage problems on South Oakland was around \$86,000.00. Mayor Vitulli did not receive a return call from Kelly Burt for an estimate. The council discussed cutting the brush and cleaning the ditch and then hiring a service to keep the vegetation out of the ditch for the drainage correction. Mayor Vitulli will contact a few private companies and get bids for this work.
  - b. Mayor Vitulli has not received a return call from Mr. Ponce about his drainage issues. Alderman Klintworth will contact TCEQ (Texas Commission on Environmental Quality) to discuss the drainage problems on South Oakland that have resulted from the changes Mr. Ponce has made to the tank on his land.
9. Discuss report from Planning and Zoning Commission on amendments to Zoning Ordinance and other zoning matters.
  - a. Nothing to report.
10. Discuss and take action on Preliminary Plan for Kurten Business Park.
  - a. Nothing new to report.
11. Discuss fire department funding.
  - a. Nothing new to report.
12. Discuss and take action on future annexation.
  - a. Alderman King would like to visit, in person, the landowners in the City of Kurten ETJ along Opersteny Road to discuss annexation.

- b. Mayor Vitulli reminded the council that about a year ago letters were sent to all landowners in the City of Kurten ETJ giving information about annexation. Out of all who were contacted, Carol Wood and George Batten have expressed interest and Mayor Vitulli is in contact with them.
13. Cancel November 2014 election. Tabled until October.
14. Interview candidates for Alderman Place 5, Jeff Hodge, replacement.
- a. No candidates attended this meeting to be interviewed. Tabled until October.
  - b. Mr. Joe Trowbridge indicated he would serve if there was not a replacement found.
  - c. This being Alderman Hodge's last meeting, Mayor Vitulli and the council thanked him for his service to the City of Kurten.
15. Discussion of future agenda items.
- a. Discuss and approve increase in City Secretary's salary.
16. The date for the next regular meeting will be 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, October 28, 2014.
17. Motion to adjourn regular meeting at 8:04 p.m. made by Alderman Estes, seconded by Alderman Klintworth. Motion passed unanimously.

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