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Jerry And Edna Kittrell To Serve As Hart Days Parade Marshals

Jerry and Edna Kittrell, longtime Hart residents, will be the 2014 Hart Days Parade Marshals. They were selected at a Hart Days meeting last Tuesday. The two are 1959 graduates of Hart High School. They owned and operated Kittrell Electronics in Hart and later in Dimmitt before retiring.

Jerry has served as the Hart Days parade announcer for many years.

Ramona Neudorf will serve as this year's Hart Days coordinator.

City Election Set For May 10

The City of Hart will hold an election on May 10 to elect three persons to the City Council. Candidates are incumbents Eliazar Castillo and Paul Ramirez. Also running are Nick Chavez and Vickie Ethridge.

Early voting will be held May 1 and 6 at City Hall. Election Judge is Marsela Marin; Monica Guzman will be alternate election judge and election clerk; and Adrian Rosas will be second election clerk.

The clerks and judges will be paid \$11 an hour on the days of early voting, a decision made at the March 17 meeting of the City Council. Present at the meeting were Mayor Stanley Dyer and Councilmen Wamon Foster, Danny Rodriguez, Todd Straley, Ramirez and Castillo.

Also decided at the meeting was the adoption of a resolution approving a negotiated settlement agreement between the Steering Committee of cities served by Atmos West Texas and Atmos Energy Corp., West Texas Division. This will result in a rate increase of about 3.9 percent. This applies to the base rate and cost of handling natural gas, and not the actual price of natural gas.

Other business included continued employment of Monica Guzman as part-time assistant city secretary. Her salary of \$10 an hour (25 hours a week) will remain the same, and added duties include maintaining the Pavilion. Rosa Sarabia, who has been watering the plants at the Pavilion, was told her services will no longer be needed. The City has two office employees, Marin and Guzman, and three utility employees, Rosas, Luis Martinez and Ricky Godino.

Guzman has requested that her employment be on the agenda for a few meetings, wanting to determine the status of her employment. Also discussed in conjunction with this at the March 17 meeting was the fact that she does not reside in Hart.

Alderman Danny Rodriguez said he'd been asked by a citizen about Guzman's residence, as city employees are paid in part by

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Ken Rosser Is New Superintendent

Ken Rosser is Hart's new superintendent. His employment was approved by the school board in March. Ken and his wife Nancy are living in the superintendent's house.

Ken is a graduate of Spearman High School. He received a bachelor's degree from then West Texas State University in Canyon, and his master's degree from Sul Ross University in Alpine.

His first education job was as an athletic trainer at Lubbock Cooper ISD. He also has been with school districts in Monahans, Joshua and Kermit, where he was a physical education instructor and an athletic trainer.

His first administrative job was as principal for Pre-K through high school students at Texline. After being there for two years, he moved on to the principalship at Gateway Elementary in Borger, a campus

city taxes. Straley said that a person is hired based on qualifications and work experience, and not where they live.

It was noted that a municipality may not legally require residency as a condition of employment.

It was reported that the old trash truck sold for \$14,000 and an old police car sold for \$2,500 at a recent auction. The total amount of \$15,900 will be applied toward the principal of the bank loan for the newest trash truck. This will leave the principal balance at \$57,600.

Rosas, the Public Utility Superintendent, told the Council that the City had received a bill from Ken Milus for \$85 for cleaning a main sewer line. He said that the City should be contacted first, as it's their job to do this up to ten feet from the main drop. The Council agreed to pay the bill, and will notify Milus of the ten-foot policy.

of 440 first- and second-graders, a job he held for six years.

Ken is an avid Boston Red Sox fan. He and Nancy take "baseball" vacations so they can see the Red Sox play. Ken said because of a physical condition, he couldn't play sports, and a coach got him interested in training.

Nancy grew up in Amarillo, and she and Ken met while both were working at Amarillo National Bank. They married in 1990. They have no children, but do have two pets, a Mini Schnauzer dog named Sugar and Boop-Boop, a cat.

She is a 2009 graduate of West Texas A&M University. She earned a degree in General



Ken and Nancy Rosser

Studies, "hurrying" up her college education so her mother, for whom she was a caregiver for 13 years, could see her graduate. She adds that she's the only one in her family to graduate from college.

Nancy's mother saw her graduate from college. Nancy then earned an alternative education certificate. She has been a substitute teacher at Hart, and plans to get her teaching certificate, and prefers working with students from Early Childhood age through third grade.

Nancy enjoys walking, riding a bicycle and reading. Ken's brother gave him a baby grand piano, and he plans to take piano lessons. The two are attending First Baptist Church in Hart.

Ken said he wants to get Hart students to thinking beyond high school, and have a mindset of life beyond high school graduation, either attending a trade school or college. In discussing the turnovers and changes in Hart school staff that has become a seemingly endless problem, Ken said, "We need stability."

Thought for the Day

Realize that you don't need others' approval. It's fine to seek others' opinions, but happy people stay true to their own hearts and don't get bogged down with the need for outside approval.