

Notice of a Budget Meeting Minutes
CITY OF BEVIL OAKS, TEXAS

August 28, 2025

1. **Call to Order @ 6:00**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance/Invocation**
 - a. The United States Flag
 - b. The Texas state flag: "*Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible.*"
3. **Roll Call-** All present but Councilman Mannette
4. **Conflict of Interest Statement-** None
5. **Discussion**
 - a. Discussion shall be limited to evaluation of current budget and of items pertinent to establishing the budget for the City of Bevil Oaks Public Works for fiscal year 2025-2026. The City will receive input from private persons and entities including but not limited to its engineering firm, legal counsel, accountant, personnel with specific information related to the proposed budget.
 - **Councilman Wright-** States that there is a significant increase in the budget for a couple of reasons. States that the life of the water meter system is expiring. States that the other increase is payroll. States that we are currently looking for infiltration issues within the sewer system. States that TCEQ compliance will increase because every 5 years, we are required to do testing throughout the system. States that TCEQ has also required that we research the type of pipe that is going into every house, so we are planning to get that completed in 2026. States that the budgeted amount for diesel should go down being that the cost of diesel has decreased. States that Charley is also doing more work, so that will lower the contract expense as well.
 - **Charlotte Yeates-** Starts going over the budget.
 - **Sabrenna Crain-** Asks if the City has trees cut down if that cost will be listed under contract services?
 - **Charlotte Yeates-** It could go there. **Continues to go over budget.**
 - **Sabrenna Crain-** States that we may need to increase the daily service expense due to meters needing to be replaced. Asks Councilman Wright what he suggests.
 - **Councilman Wright-** States that there was a lot of meters changed last year, so it should be fine at the amount that we have budgeted.
 - **Charlotte Yeates-** Continues to go over budget. States that there is enough money set aside in the bank to pay the debt service for an entire year if another Harvey comes through.
 - **Councilman Wright-** States that the wages that are associated with the lead and pipe inspections are also listed under the TCEQ compliance. Suggest lowering either the wages or TCEQ compliance by \$3,500.
 - **Charlotte Yeates-** Suggests leaving it. States that it is okay to have a buffer. States that if the wages are going to be tracked under TCEQ compliance than those hours will have to be kept up with. Suggests that the hours worked for TCEQ compliance be sent to her and Janet so that they can be applied to the correct line item.

6. Adjourn Meeting @ 6:48 pm - Councilman Clayton/Councilman Wright

Approved this 15th day of January, 2026.



Mayor Cheri Mitchell

Attest:



City Secretary, Jeff Thibodeaux