

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS  
CITY OF BEVIL OAKS  
January 20, 1998**

**MAYOR:** John Hignett. Meeting called to order at 7:04 P.M.

Invocation given by Mayor Hignett.

**ALDERPERSONS:** (Roll Call)

**PRESENT:** Tommy LaRousse, Bradley Binks, Becky Ford, John Hignett, Ken Bravnic, Terry Pickering

**ABSENT:** Kay Neichoy

**OTHER CITY PERSONNEL:**

Marshal James Carrico

**M/M/2/C:** Approved Minutes as printed. Ford/Bravnic

**TREASURERS REPORT:** Gave report.

**M/M/2/C:** To approve Treasurers report. LaRousse/Pickering

**MAYOR REPORT:** Reported on drainage work being done and discussed F.E.M.A. buyout.

- Council approved a contract with M.A. Stephens for Entergy Meter for water pump with certain stipulations.

**M/M/2/C:** To adjourn. Binks/LaRousse

*Approved  
Feb 17, 1998  
John Hignett  
Tommy LaRousse*

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS  
CITY OF BEVIL OAKS  
February 17, 1998**

**MAYOR:** John Hignett. Meeting called to order at 7:02 P.M.

Invocation given by Mayor Hignett.

**ALDERPERSONS:** (Roll Call)

**PRESENT:** Tommy LaRousse, Bradley Binks, Becky Ford, John Hignett, Kay Neichoy, Terry Pickering

**ABSENT:** Kenneth Bravenec

**OTHER CITY PERSONNEL:**

Marshal James Carrico

Alice Cammack, City Clerk

Entergy: Mr. William Lee

**M/M/2/C:** Approved Minutes as printed from January 20, 1998.  
Binks/LaRousse

Marshal gave report: need to have workshop and discuss Dog Ordinance and commission for Rodney Tindel.

**TREASURERS REPORT:** Gave report.

**M/M/2/C:** To approve Treasurers report and recommended that he obtain a money market account. LaRousse/Neichoy

**M/M/2/C:** To obtain ordinance for the calling of an election for three Aldermen. Ford/Binks

**MAYOR REPORT:** Reported on drainage work being done.

- Council discussed having a Spring Clean-up.

**M/M/2/C:** To adjourn. Binks/Neichoy

**MINUTES OF WORKSHOP/SPECIAL MEETING  
OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS  
CITY OF BEVIL OAKS  
March 3, 1998**

**MAYOR:** John Hignett. Meeting called to order at 7:08 P.M. by Mayor.

- Invocation given by Mayor Hignett.

**ALDERPERSONS:** (Roll Call)

**PRESENT:** Tommy LaRousse, John Hignett, Kay Neichoy, Becky Ford, Bradley Binks

**ABSENT:** Terry Pickering, Ken Bravenec

**OTHER CITY PERSONNEL:**

**PRESENT:** Marshal James Carrico

**ABSENT:** City Clerk Alice Cammack

- Discussed having a reserve deputy, Rodney Tindel. His duties and cost to the town.

- Citizens on patrol discussed by council and citizens. Clean-up day also discussed. Tentative schedule set for April 25th. It was discussed selling Bar-B-Que plates to make money to offset some expenditures for C.O.P.

- Discussed problem with kids riding motorcycles on property by pool.

**M/M/2/C:** To adjourn. LaRousse, Ford

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS  
CITY OF BEVIL OAKS  
March 17, 1998**

**MAYOR:** John Hignett Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M. by the Mayor.

Invocation given by Mayor Hignett.

**ALDERPERSONS:** (Roll Call)

**PRESENT:** Bradley Binks, Kenneth Bravenec, Kay Neichoy, Tommy LaRousse, Becky Ford, Terry Pickering

**OTHER CITY PERSONNEL:**

**PRESENT:** Marshal James Carrico

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

**M/M/2/C:** To accept Treasurer's Report as presented. **Bravenec/LaRousse**

- Council reviewed Minutes of Meeting for 17 February 1998.

**M/M/2/C:** To approve minutes as written. **Neichoy/Ford**

- Council reviewed Minutes of Meeting for 3 March 1998.

**M/M/2/C:** To approve minutes as written. **Ford/LaRousse**

- Marshal Carrico gave Marshal's Report.

6 Suspicious Vehicles Citations

8 Calls with County

2 Animal Calls

**M/M/2/C:** To accept Marshal's Report. **Neichoy/Pickering**

Texas Department Of Health For Handling Vicious Dog Attack

Three weeks of school

AGENDA ITEM for Veterinarian to enforce Kathy Bruce

Vicious Dog part of the ordinance for the quarantine of the animal

**Discussion:** Reserve Deputy Addition to Bevil Oaks Marshall Department.

Ms. Neichoy: Moved to have no action on Reserve Deputy, Rodney Tindale, at this time due to budget restriction. Seconded by Ms. Ford. Ayes have it.

**Discussion:** Annexation Additional Use of Taxes. M.U.D. can handle.

Comments from Coonert

Gina Cole Waste Management delivered \$1089.00 check.

**M/M/2/C** To adjoin. **LaRousse/Pickering**

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS  
CITY OF BEVIL OAKS  
April 21, 1998**

**MAYOR:** John Hignett Meeting called to order at 7:10 P.M.

Invocation given by Mayor Hignett.

**ALDERPERSONS PRESENT:** Brad Binks, Kay Neichoy, Tommy LaRousse, <sup>ABSENT</sup> Becky Ford, Terry Pickering

**ALDERPERSON ABSENT:** Ken Bravenec

**OTHER CITY PERSONNEL PRESENT:** Marshal James Carrico, City Clerk Deborah Richey-Galler, Jean Turk, Pine Island Bayou Storm Water District

**ENERGY REPRESENTATIVE:** William Lee

**MARSHALL'S REPORT**

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

**M/M/2/C:** To accept Treasurer's Report as presented. **LaRousse/Neichoy**

Mayor read letter concerning three year terms.

**M/M/2/C:** Council Approve A Resolution # 137 For State To Pass A Law To Approve Changes For Three Year Terms. **Neichoy/LaRousse**

Annexation Was Discussed.

Discussed Road And Drainage For 1998.

Discussed Clean Up Day, Saturday, April 25, 1998.

Discussed Motor Cycles In Pool Area. No Action Taken.

No Action Taken on Ice cream Vendor. Comments From Citizens.

Meeting For C.O.P.s To Be April 27, And 28 From 6:30p.m. To 9:30p.m.

Ms. Turk Spoke About Storm Water District.

**M/M/2/C:** To Adjourn. **LaRousse/Neichoy**

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL WORKSHOP OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS  
CITY OF BEVIL OAKS  
MAY 5, 1998**

**MAYOR:** John Hignett Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M.

Invocation given by Mayor Hignett.

**ALDERPERSONS PRESENT:** Ken Bravnech, Kay Neichoy, Tommy LaRousse, Becky Ford, Terry Pickering

**ALDERPERSON ABSENT:** Brad Binks

**OTHER CITY PERSONNEL PRESENT:** Marshal James Carrico, City Clerk Deborah Richey-Galler

Mayor Introduced new Council Members: Karrel Waller And Tommy Cooley

Discussed Software For Banking Records And Auditing.

Discussed Positions To Be Voted On Tuesday, May 19, 1998: Mayor Pro-Tem, Treasurer And Secretary.

Discussed Roads And Drainage Work For Next Year.

Discussed Rate Reduction From Entergy And Possible Lost Revenue.

Discussed C.O.P. Program.

Workshop Adjourned At 8:25 p.m.

**M/M/2/C: LaRousse/Neichoy**

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS  
CITY OF BEVIL OAKS  
MAY 19, 1998**

Meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m. by Mayor Hignett.

Invocation given by Mayor Hignett.

**ALDERPERSONS PRESENT:** Brad Binks, Kay Neichoy, Tommy LaRousse, Becky Ford, Terry Pickering, Ken Bravenec

**M/M/2/C:** To approve minutes as read of March 17th. Neichoy/Ford

**M/M/2/C:** To approve minutes of April 21st as corrected. B. Ford was not in attendance.  
LaRousse/Pickering

**M/M/2/C:** To approve minutes as read of May 5th. Ford/LaRousse

No Marshal's report  
No Treasurer's report

**M/M/2/C:** To approve Ordinance #138. LaRousse/Bravenec

Mayor Hignett presented plaques to Becky Ford and Bradley Binks for their outstanding service to the community.

Newly elected alderpersons were sworn in by Mayor Hignett, Bradley Binks and Becky Ford..

Discussed signatures for bank accounts.

Mrs. Hignett presented C.O.P. Magnetic auto signs to the city.

Ken Bravenec nominated Tommy LaRousse for Mayor Pro Tem. Mayor called three times for any other nominations. Tommy LaRousse elected by acclimation.

Kay Neichoy nominated Ken Bravenec for Treasurer.

**M/M/2/C:** To elect Ken Bravenec for Treasurer. Cooley/Neichoy

Terry Pickering nominated for Secretary by Kay Neichoy

Kay Neichoy nominated by Terry Pickering.

Terry Pickering was elected Secretary

**M/M/2/C:** To pay \$130.00 for four signs for C.O.P. Program. LaRousse/Bravenec

Discussed the purchase of a computer program for the treasurer. To be studied. Will review next meeting.

Motion was made to adjourn.

**M/M/2/C:** LaRousse/Neichoy

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS  
CITY OF BEVIL OAKS  
JUNE 16, 1998**

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Mayor Pro Tem Tommy LaRousse.

Invocation given by Mayor Pro Tem Tommy LaRousse.

**ALDERPERSONS PRESENT:** Ken Bravenec, Kay Neichoy, Tommy LaRousse, Thomas Cooley  
**ABSENT:** John Hignett, Karrel Waller, Terry Pickering.

**OFFICE PERSONNEL PRESENT:** Marshal James Carrico, Alice Cammack City Clerk.  
**OTHERS PRESENT:** Auditor Jack Garland, Entergy Rep. William Lee.

- Marshal's report given.
- Treasurer's report given.

**M/M/2/C:** To approve minutes as read of May 19th. meeting. Neichoy/Cooley

- Report on Audit given by Auditor Jack Garland.

**M/M/2/C:** To approve audit as given by Jack Garland. Neichoy/Cooley

- Discussion of following County Burn Ban due to dry weather conditions. Discussed possible ban of fireworks for 4th of July if dry weather continues.
- Discussed Drainage and roadwork being done.
- Comments from council members and citizens. No comments made.

**M/M/2/C:** To adjourn. Neichoy/Bravenec.



**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS  
CITY OF BEVIL OAKS  
JULY 21, 1998**

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Mayor John Hignett.

Invocation given by Mayor Hignett.

**ALDERPERSONS PRESENT:** Ken Bravenec, Kay Neichoy, Tommy LaRousse, Thomas Cooley  
John Hignett, Karrel Waller, Terry Pickering.

**OFFICE PERSONNEL PRESENT:** Alice Cammack City Clerk.

**ABSENT:** Marshal James Carrico

**M/M/2/C:** To approve minutes as read of June 16, 1998. LaRousse/Neichoy

- Treasurer's Report given.

**M/M/2/C:** To approve Treasurer's report as given. LaRousse/Pickering

- Discussion on having a Budget Workshop on the 1st. Tuesday of August and 1st. Tuesday of Sept.

- Discussed committee for year 2000 Census.

**M/M/2/C:** To table committee for 200 Census until August Council meeting. Neichoy/LaRousse

- Discussed Marshal Carrico's sickness.

- Discussion on City Employee sick leave policy.

**M/M/2/C:** To table Employee Sick Leave policy until August Council Meeting. Waller/Cooley

- Discussion of possible Ordinance for banning the drilling of water wells.

- Discussed letter from Heartfield & McGinnis on Smartt Environmental lawsuit.

- Discussion on road repairs. Discussed a possible committee to determine which streets will be fixed next.

**M/M/2/C:** To adjourn. Neichoy/LaRousse

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL WORKSHOP OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS  
CITY OF BEVIL OAKS  
AUGUST 4, 1998**

**MAYOR:** John Hignett Meeting called to order at 7:01 P.M.

Invocation given by Mayor Hignett.

**ALDERPERSONS PRESENT:** Ken Bravnec, Kay Neichoy, Tommy LaRousse, Thomas Cooley

**ALDERPERSON ABSENT:** Terry Pickering, Karrel Waller.

**OTHER CITY PERSONNEL ABSENT:** Marshal Carrico, Alice Cammack, City Clerk.

- Discussed 1998-99 Budget.

- No discussion of sick leave.

- Discussed 1998-99 Road Use and Drainage.

Workshop Adjourned At 9:17.

**M/M/2/C: Neichoy/Cooley**

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS  
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AUGUST 18, 1998**

Meeting was called to order at 7:02 P.M. by Mayor John Hignett.

Invocation given by Mayor Hignett.

**ALDERPERSONS PRESENT:** Ken Bravenec, Tommy LaRousse, Thomas Cooley  
John Hignett, Terry Pickering.

**ABSENT:** Kay Neichoy, Karrel Waller

**OFFICE PERSONNEL PRESENT:** Alice Cammack City Clerk, Marshal James Carrico

**M/M/2/C:** To approve minutes as read of July 16, 1998. LaRousse/Bravenec

**M/M/2/C:** To approve minutes from Workshop on August 4, 1998. LaRousse/Cooley

- **Discussion from William Lee of Entergy on this years franchise fee.**

- No Treasurer's report available.

- Marshal's report given. Discussed hores problem on River Bend. For any complaints contact Sheriff's office (Donald Metts) animal control.

**M/M/2/C:** To adjust Marshal Carrico's salary to a Gross of 1,577.34 monthly. Cooley/Pickering

- Discussion on Eastex Garbage Co. submitting bid for City garbage pickup.

- Discussion on drainage and roads.

- Discussion on Census full count.

- Discussion on scheduling Workshop meeting for September 1, 1998 at 7:00 p.m.

- Discussion from Marshal Carrico about possible C.O.P.'s program fundraiser at Civic Center.

**M/M/2/C:** To adjourn. LaRousse/Cooley

*John Hignett*  
Mayor  
*Terry Pickering*

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL WORKSHOP OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS  
CITY OF BEVIL OAKS  
SEPTEMBER 1, 1998**

**MAYOR:** John Hignett Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M.

Invocation given by Mayor Hignett.

**ALDERPERSONS PRESENT:** Ken Bravneq, Tommy LaRousse, Thomas Cooley, Karrel Waller  
Terry Pickering, John Hignett

**ABSENT:** Mrs. Neichoy, Turned in resignation at last meeting

**OTHER CITY PERSONNEL PRESENT:** Marshal Carrico, Alice Cammack, City Clerk

- Set up petty cash to Alice Cammack for office expenses and supplies
- Discussed 1998-99 budget.
- Discussed 1998-99 Road Use and Drainage.

Workshop Adjourned .

**M/M/2/C: LaRousse/Bravenec**

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS  
CITY OF BEVIL OAKS  
SEPTEMBER 15, 1998**

Meeting was called to order at 7:03 P.M. by Mayor John Hignett.

Invocation given by Mayor Hignett.

**ALDERPERSONS PRESENT:** Tommy LaRousse, Thomas Cooley, Sue Doucet  
John Hignett, Terry Pickering.

**ABSENT:** Karrel Waller, Ken Bravenec

**OFFICE PERSONNEL PRESENT:** Alice Cammack City Clerk, Marshal James Carrico

**M/M/2/C:** To approve minutes as read of August 18, 1998 regular meeting. LaRousse/Cooley

- Treasurer's report given by Mayor Hignett.

- Marshal's report given by Marshal James Carrico.

**M/M/2/C:** To accept resignation of Kay Neicoy as alderman for Ward I. LaRousse/Pickering

**M/M/2/C:** To appoint Sue Doucet to fill vacant Ward I position until Election. Cooley/LaRousse

**M/M/2/C:** To accept budget for 1998-1999. LaRousse/Cooley

**M/M/2/C:** To accept Road and Drainage budget for 1998-1999. Pickering/LaRousse

**M/M/2/C:** To double building permit and Trailer permit cost when applicant has started construction or moved Trailer in without permit. LaRousse/Doucet

**M/M/2/C:** To adjourn. Larousse/Cooley.

*John L. Hignett (Mayor)*  
*Terry L. Pickering*

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS  
CITY OF BEVIL OAKS  
OCTOBER 20, 1998**

Meeting was called to order at 7:07 P.M. by Mayor John Hignett.

Invocation given by Mayor Hignett.

**ALDERPERSONS PRESENT:** Terry Pickering, Thomas Cooley, Tommy La Rouse,  
Karrel Waller, Ken Bravenec, John Hignett

**ABSENT:** Sue Doucet

**M/M/2/C: La Rouse/Cooley.** To approve minutes as read of September 15, 1998 regular meeting.

**Marshall's Report** given by John Hignett. Crow was called to a car wreck on Hwy. 105.

**C. O.P. Report** given by Mrs. Hignett.

**Treasurer's Report** given by Ken Bravenic.

**M/M/2/C:** LaRouse/Pickering.

Discussion of Revenue Short Fall for 99 - 20.

Discussion on Van Vanover broken window. TML paid off claim.

Discussion/Action on Building Permit 13685 Rolling Hills.

**M/M/2/C: La Rouse/Bravenic.** Mayor to draft letter to FEMA advising them of situation on above garage. Permit is not to be approved.

Discussion/Action on replacement for Alice Cammack, City Clerk.

**M/M/2/C: La Rouse/Cooley.** To hire Deborah Richey-Galler as City Clerk.

Comments from Mrs. Jane Hebert about cleaning a ditch.

Comments from William Lee of Entergy approval has been made to purchase Hobby Horse for La Rouse Park.

**M/M/2/C: To adjourn. Larousse/Pickering.**

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS  
CITY OF BEVIL OAKS  
NOVEMBER 17, 1998**

Meeting was called to order at 7:01 P.M. by Mayor John Hignett.

Invocation given by Mayor Hignett.

**ALDERPERSONS PRESENT:** Terry Pickering, Thomas Cooley, Tommy La Rousse,  
Karrel Waller, Ken Bravenec, Sue Doucet, John Hignett

**M/M/2/C: Bravenec/La Rousse** To approve minutes as corrected of October 20, 1998 regular meeting.

Western Geophysical representatives Duncan Mc Gee and Blain Clark presented: application fee of \$100.00, certification of insurance and street acreage based on 30 foot width.

Resolution to allow Mayor to authorize permit of acceptance to Western Geophysical Company, a division of Western Atlas International, Inc. and accept \$485.55 for lease of roads, and see that contract abides by all aspects of Ordinance 80. Dates effective: November 18, 1998 - February 18, 1999.

**M/M/2/C: La Rousse/Cooley** Ayes have it. Sue Doucet voted no.

Treasurer's Report given by Ken Bravenec.

**M/M/2/C: Pickering/La Rousse** to accept the Treasurer's report.

Marshall's Report given by James Carrico. 14 citations were given: speeding, running stop signs.

**M/M/2/C: LaRousse/Doucet** to accept the Marshall's report.

Discussion for a two way radio for a maximum of \$375.00.

**M/M/2/C: La Rousse/Cooley** to purchase radio with a \$375.00 maximum.

Discussion of Revenue Short Fall for 1999 - 2000.

Discussion of Civic Center Rental.

**M/M/2/C: La Rousse/Cooley** to require a separate check for a \$25.00 deposit for clean up, *OF THE CIVIC CENTER. Money to be Refunded UPON completion OF CLEAN-UP.*

**M/M/2/C: Larousse/Doucet** to adjourn.

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS  
CITY OF BEVIL OAKS  
DECEMBER 15, 1998**

Meeting was called to order at 7:01 P.M. by Mayor John Hignett.  
Invocation given by Mayor Hignett.

**ALDERPERSONS PRESENT:** Terry Pickering, Thomas Cooley, Tommy La Rouse,  
Karrel Waller, Sue Doucet, John Hignett

**ALDERPERSON ABSENT:** Ken Bravenec

*MR. WILLIAM LEE w/ ENTERGY*

M/M/2/C: Approval of Minutes: 17 November 1998, Regular Meeting

La Rouse/ Cooley

M/M/2/C: Accept normal bills for payment.

La Rouse/Cooley

Marshall's Report given by James Carrico. 14 citations last month, 6 citations this month. Alarms at Bevil Oaks First Baptist Church have been operator error. Discussion of mobile home fire in mid-county. A space heater seemed to be the cause of the fire. C.O.P. workshop to be scheduled in January.

M/M/2/C: Accept the Marshall's report.

I. Presentation of electrical rate request by Entergy to the P.U.C. filed 30 November 1998.

- A. Part of merger agreement
- B. Compliance of P.U.C. guidelines
- C. Ask \$90.00 mm from adjustment dollars
- D. Payment for services within Texas - Louisiana
- E. Service line and improvement reliability
  - 1. Animal outages
  - 2. Lightning outages
  - 3. Technology betterment
- F. Community Development
- G. Rate case expenses

II. Attempting to bring rates in line with other electrical utility companies in the state/  
Council Options:


- 1. Approve the rate case (effective 4 January 1999 )
- 2. Deny rate case (ultimately be appealed)
- 3. Suspend the rate (review rates for 90 days effective 4 January 1999)
- 4. Take no action (effective 4 January 1999)

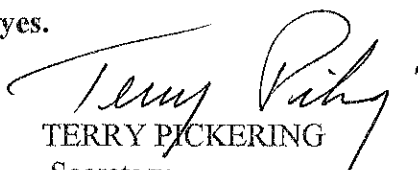
No action taken , as rate increase was a discussion item on agenda.

Schedule Special Meeting for Tuesday, 5 January 1999.

M/M/2/C: Adjourn meeting

La Rouse/ Cooley, Motion passed by ayes.

  
JOHN L. HIGNETT  
Mayor

  
TERRY PICKERING  
Secretary