

CITY OF BEVIL OAKS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
January 18, 2005

Mayor Don Smith called meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

All in attendance said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Cearley gave Invocation.

Member Present: Don Smith, Jim Cearley, Cathy Crane, Pete Friloux, Becky Ford, and Tommy LaRousse

Members Absent: Kim Roberts (arrived after Council adjourned at 7:16 p.m.)

Staff Members Present: James Carrico, Marshal
Norma J. Lucus, City/Court Clerk

Marshal's Report:

The attached Marshal's report was presented (Atch 1). The Marshal reported on the progress of acquiring new radio, and a telephone. Both are needed to comply with the new updated frequencies needed to communicate with Jefferson County Sheriff's Department and other local law enforcement agencies.

M/M/2/C: To approve Marshal's Report. **Ford/Crane**

Treasurer's Report:

Accounts Receivable & Accounts Payable (Atch 2): Councilwoman Crane reported on Accounts Receivable in the amount of \$5,018.67, and Accounts Payable in the amount of \$1,861.

Statement of Accounts (Atch 3): Balances are: Regular Account \$24,546.30, Road User Fee \$115,351.08, Merrill Lynch \$33,666.76, Court Account \$1,282.79, Pool Account \$794.75, Ballpark \$20.45. Treasurer's report was approved as presented.

M/M/2/C: Cearley/Ford

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Court Report: Ms Lucus stated that Court did not resume this month, as there were no tickets. Marshal is working on ordinance violations and this will be on the docket for 22 February Court.

M/M/2/C: Ford/Cearly

Action item:

Work Request of Mr. Marc Wilson was reviewed and approved.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Civic Center Rental/Community Service Use discussion tabled for February meeting.

M/M/2/C: Ford/Crane

M/M/2/C: Adjourn meeting at 7:16 P.M. Ford/Friloux

CITY OF BEVIL OAKS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
February 15, 2005

Mayor Pro-Tem Becky Ford called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

All in attendance said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Jim Cearley gave Invocation.

Members Present: Jim Cearley, Pete Friloux, Becky Ford, Tommy LaRousse

Members Absent: Cathy Crane, Don Smith

Staff Members Present: James Carrico, Marshal, Norma J. Lucas, City Clerk

Marshal's Report (Atch 1):

The Marshal issued three (3) ordinance violations to be presented in Municipal Court in March. He is continuing to issue ordinance violations, and there may be more for the March Court date. There are still problems with dogs. The Marshal is trying to be located the dogs, but feels they are strays with no collars. Jefferson County will loan residents traps to try and catch the dogs, but may end up with wild animals as well. Councilmembers Ford and Cearley told the Marshal that they would support him in doing what he has to do to control the dog problems.

M/M/2/C: To approve Marshal's Report. Friloux/LaRousse

Court Report: No report given/Court to resume in March 2005

Treasurer's Report :

Accounts Receivable & Accounts Payable (Atch 2): Councilwoman Ford reported on Accounts Receivable in the amount of \$6,891.82, and Accounts Payable on the amount of \$1,647.22.

Statement of Accounts (Atch 3): Balances are: Regular Account \$21,163.08, Road User Fee \$119,329.35, Court \$1,28279, Pool \$736.59, Ballpark \$20.45 and Merrill Lynch \$33, 709.14.

M/M/2/C: To approve Treasurer's Report. Cearley/Friloux

Action Items:

Work Request: None

TML remove Pool from City's assets:

M/M/2/C To approve a request that TML remove Pool from City's Assets.
Cearley/LaRousse

Judges Mandatory Training: Tabled for future meeting.

M/M/2/C Cearley/Friloux

Discussion Items:

Civic Center Rental: The Council would like Citizen's input on rental issues. Councilwoman Ford suggested that the deed be checked to determine if some groups are exempt from paying a cost to use the Civic Center. She recommended the Council revisit the topic at the March council meeting. There is also a need to have the facility cleaned.

Citizen's/Council Comments:

Chief Gundolf stated that people should be able to drink liquor if renting Civic Center. Councilwoman Ford stated the ordinance must be reviewed as a separate issue.

Mr. Hignett a BOMUD Director reported that cracks were found in a water line on Inwood. May have water system shut down for repairs/upgrade.

Mr. Bryant noticed in newspaper that all of the surrounding Communities were getting improvements through grants, etc. Suggested that we need to get a committee to work on our problems. We also need to work with other communities.

Councilwoman Ford stated that everyone on the Council need to work on problems for the City. She thinks we can do a better job, and this Council and Mayor are working well together for the good of the City.

Councilman Cearley would like to see the Community come together as a group for projects.

Councilwoman Ford would like to work with community groups to defry the cost of improvements and in the future there will be funds available.

Councilwoman Ford will be available to attend Southeast Texas Regional Planning District meetings to represent the City.

M/M/2/C: Adjourn meeting at 8:15 p.m. Friloux/LaRrouse

CITY OF BEVIL OAKS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
March 16, 2005

Mayor Don Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

All in attendance said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Jim Cearley gave Invocation.

Members Present: Jim Cearley, Cathy Crane, Pete Friloux, Becky Ford,
Tommy LaRousse.

Staff Members Present: James Carrico, Marshal & Norma J. Lucus, City Clerk.

Marshal's Report : (Atch 1)

Marshal Crow reported on the status of ordinance violations. There are currently 11 Ordinance violations given. Five scheduled to meet court on 22 March 2005. He has issued a traffic ticket and warnings. He has already noticed a difference in the traffic patterns.

M/M/2/C: To approve Marshal's Report. Ford/Friloux

Court Report: Ms. Lucus reported on the status of the Municipal Court. Six registered letters of notice to appear before the Court. Five letters for Ordinance violations, and one traffic citation. First Court date is 22 Mar 05.

Treasurer's Report :

Accounts Receivable & Accounts Payable (Atch 2): Councilwoman Crane reported on Accounts Receivable in the amount of \$5,278.82, and Accounts Payable on the amount of \$2,727.14.

Statement of Accounts (Atch 3): Balances are: Regular Account \$20,935.20, Road User Fee \$123,257.01, Court \$1,282.79, Pool \$696.24, Ballpark \$20.45 and Merrill Lynch \$33,756.02. Ms. Lucus will be given \$100.00 for petty cash fund (required for change in office). All Federal and State reports are current. We have had no penalties for late payments.

M/M/2/C: To approve Treasurer's Report. Cearley/Friloux

Approve Minutes: 15 February, 2005 Minutes approved as recorded.

M/M/2/C: To approve Minutes. Crane/Ford

Action Items:

Work Request: One Work Order was approved.

Appoint Councilperson to Ward III: Tabled.

Discussion Items:

Civic Center Rental: City Council reviewed Civic Center guidelines for rental or use of the Civic Center. Some of the groups exempt from a fee are: Scouts, 4H, Bevil Oaks Community Group, Hunter's Education, Concealed Handgun Classes, Water Department, and other non-profit groups within the City of Bevil Oaks. All must schedule the Center through the City Clerk, so there will be no scheduling conflict, and will be on a first come, first served basis. A \$50.00 fee will be required for a refundable cleaning deposit. Others will be charged a fee of \$100.00, plus a returnable cleaning deposit of \$50.00. After inspection the \$50.00 will be returned if left in the condition found. The non-profit reservation may be preempt for emergencies.

M/M/2/C: To approve Civic Center Rental Charges. Cearley/Ford

Civic Center Maintenance: Ms. Ford stated that it's a matter of funds for maintenance. Council will review priorities of City, to determine when City can afford the cost of maintenance in the future.

Citizen's/Council Comments:

- Some concern about Kim Roberts Ward III vacancy. Mr. Cearley stated that he called Texas Municipal League(TML) and was told that the Council had to vote to remove her from her office. He wanted to make sure that the City would not be sued. Mr. Friloux wanted to be sure that the action taken was legal. Mayor Smith stated "the facts are Ms. Roberts had missed three regularly scheduled meetings, without prior approval for being absent." According to TML, after missing three consecutive unexcused meetings, the council position is then considered vacant. The Council would have had to vote for removal in a case of misconduct, or other conditions as identified by the State of Texas. Ms. Ford assured them that contact with TML was to assure that the City was within it's right to declare the position vacant. Ms. Lucus spoke with a TML Attorney and was provided the same information. This information is in the TML Handbook for General Law Cities.

- Marshal Crow stated that there are still problems with dogs killing livestock. He feels that some are strays. There is only one way to eliminate the ongoing problem as they cannot be trapped.

- Mrs. Turk stated her son is still City Attorney. He has not been paid. The city has researched this issue and can not find supporting documents of his hiring. A letter was sent to Attorney Turk to inform him of the City's position in this matter.

- Councilman Cearley said that the City Council is doing a good job, we are all neighbors out here, and no need to talk bad about each other.
- Councilman Friloux agreed.
- Councilwoman Crane stated she has enjoyed Council.
- Councilwoman Ford stated there are issues of concern. However, she is very pleased the City is no longer in the red. There are citizens who care, and when they volunteer we can do things working together. She wants the City to be a safe place.
- Mr. Hignett, BOMUD Director talked about the 25 year contract in which the Water Department provided water for the pool in exchanged for use of the land their office building sits on. BOMUD offered Mr. Crenshaw \$5,000 for the land. Mr. Crenshaw wanted \$200,000. BOMUD cannot pay that amount. The price was then lowered \$60,000. BOMUD then offered \$25,000. They are waiting for a response from Mr. Crenshaw. He is concerned. If they cannot afford the land, they may have to bulldozer building, and rebuild at the Water Plant.
- Mr. Collins stated that he thought the Pool belonged to the City. The pool belongs to Mr. Crenshaw.
- Mr. Hignett voiced concern about 4 wheelers. He was traveling down Inwood at Shipley when a child of about 7-8 years of age almost hit him. 4 wheelers are ruining roads. He stated that this a problem, and cannot understand why the law is not enforced. It is against State law to ride 4 wheelers, Go-carts, dirt bikes on City streets. A dangerous problem.
- Mr. Collins also stated that dirt bikes, 4 wheelers are coming down River Bend Road, across his property, and is very noisy. This occurs often after midnight. He is fed up, and wants to know what the Mayor and Council are going to do about the problem. Mayor Smith and Marshal Crow talked about this issue. The Mayor stated that he told the Marshal to revert back to no 4 wheeler, go-carts, and dirt bikes are not allowed on City roads. The Marshal can enforce the law.
- Councilwoman Ford has been in contact with Ms. Johnson, Jefferson County Tax Assessor-Collector in preparation for the City Tax.

Resignation: Mayor Don Smith announced his resignation as Mayor of Bevil Oaks. Mayor Smith stated that ten (10) years ago shortly after the flood of "94" he decided to run for Mayor. At that time the City was facing lawsuits, in a mess, and in turmoil. During his tenure the road user fee was established to bring roads up to standards. Ms. Ford stated that a year ago Don Smith decided to run for Mayor after the former Mayor resigned, and was elected, as he was unopposed. The City has thrived, and is in the black once again, and doing well. Mayor Smith stated that over the last month he and his Family has been threaten. He stated that he has always had the City in mind and wished the Council well. His resignation is effective immédiatey.

M/M/2/C: To adjourn at 8:40 P.M. Crane/LaRousse

CITY OF BEVIL OAKS
MINUTES OF SPECIAL WORKSHOP
March 29, 2005

Mayor Pro-Tem Becky Ford called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

All in attendance said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Cearley gave Invocation.

Member Present: Jim Cearley, Cathy Crane, Pete Friloux, Becky Ford, and Tommy LaRousse

Staff Members Present: James Carrico, Marshal
Norma J. Lucas, City/Court Clerk

ACTION ITEMS

Swear In of Mayor Pro-Tem to Acting Mayor: Norma Lucas, City Clerk, swore Ms. Becky Ford into the Office of Acting Mayor.

Ordinance 185 Calling for the Election of Mayor and two Council members for Wards Two (II) and three (III). Ordinance was passed and approved. **M/M/2/C LaRousse/Crane**

Drawing for Ballot Position A drawing for position on 7 May 2005 Ballot was held. Citizens attending meeting drew names for first position on ballot. Ballot positions are:

MAYOR: Becky Ford
Pete Friloux

Ward I: Jimmie L. Grimes
Howard Schramm

Ward III: Rusty Mosely
Kim L. Roberts

Appoint Election Judge/Alternate: Election Judge & Alternate were identified in Ordinance 185. Mrs. Shirley Collins is Election Judge, and Ms. Mable Matthews is Alternate Judge.

Citizens and Council Planning Session:

Acting Mayor Ford talked about planning for the future of Bevil Oaks and asked all in attendance to discuss what ideas they have for the betterment of the City.

Many comments and ideas were talked about. Some of the highlights from their discussions are as follows:

Mr. Grimes ask the Council to consider the completion of a survey to apply for a Block Grant. Volunteers would be needed to go door to door to complete a survey.

Another road out of Bevil Oaks. In the past the County agreed to build and maintain another road leading out of the City. City would have to provide for materials. At this time Eddie Arnold JeffCo funds are short, but would help the City of Bevil Oaks based on manpower. This can be researched in the future.

Ms. Colleen Grimes talked about a Nutrition Center for Senior Citizens of Bevil Oaks to be held in the Civic Center on a five day a week basis. She will research what is need for the City to work with Meals-on-Wheels. Will be a minimum cost to the City, only utilities and space.

Ms. Sherry Adams loves the idea of a senior program. She would like to see better tables and chairs in Civic Center. Round tables would be better.

Mr. Brad Binks own A-1 Rentals, and could talk to him about table and chairs.

Mr. Grimes stated there might be free furniture.

Councilman Friloux recommend painting the floor at a cost.

Mrs. Hebert would like to have the City hire someone to maintain grounds. Suggest a committee to lead this action. City should be able to pay someone. There are many grants to apply for.

Acting Mayor Ford stated that we would have to work within the budget, and prioritize projects.

Mr. George Bryant stated that several years there was a flood committee. Would like to find a way to help city. Pinewood received money to help with drainage problems. Would like to get committee going again. A lot of drainage work going on in the City of Beaumont, and do not know if, or how it may affect our City.

Councilman Cearley added to what Mr. Bryant said. FEMA said they rebuild roads. City should try to build a berm around the City.

Mr. Rice, a newcomer to the City, has a problem with ditches not cleared out. Mayor Ford will give top priority, but will need a work order.

Mr. Bill Ferguson owns a 4 wheeler and concerned about not being able to ride on city roads. He was told about the State law.

Mr. Randy Collins can understand the State Laws, but can see it both ways. He expressed the Beaumont Ind. School District, and lowest performing schools serving the Bevil Oaks children. Suggest we form our own schools. We can be annexed by Hardin-Jefferson. Take our problems to their School Board. They meet the 3rd Monday of the month. He is willing to serve on a committee. Ms. Adams agreed.

Mrs. Hebert suggests that the city get Allen Ritter out here to discuss our history of flooding.

Mrs. Grimes agreed to set up a meeting.

Mr. Hignett stated we should have more newsletters, stickers, and a city directory.

Ms. Ford stated a newsletter would be sent out quarterly.

Ms. Kay Bryant thanked the Council for the newsletter.

Mrs. Hebert suggests that signs be made to announce meeting, and placed out each month.

Mayor Ford discussed tax rate. They are to be set in June or July.

Mr. Rice flooding problems Pine Island is running much slower.

Mr. Bryant stated that Mr. Ritter talked about cleaning out bayou.

Mr. Gilbert a five-year resident is happy to hear the City will have a tax.

Mayor Ford stated prior to Road User Fee the City only had to run the City. All property owners will be taxed, not just those with a water meter.

Mr. Bryant stated swimming pool not operated this year. If not maintained safe. City will not be liable for injuries.

M/M/2/C: To adjourn at 9:15 p.m. LaRousse/Friloux

Position on Ballot

WARD II HOWARD SCHRAMM

WARD II JIMMIE GRIMES

WARD III MEEKIE D. MOSELEY

WARD III KIM ROBERTS

MAYOR BECKY FORD

MAYOR PETE FRILLOUX

**CITY OF BEVIL OAKS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
April 19, 2005**

Acting Mayor Becky Ford called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

All in attendance said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Jim Cearley gave Invocation.

Members Present: Jim Cearley, Cathy Crane, Pete Friloux, Becky Ford,
Tommy LaRousse.

Staff Members Present: James Carrico, Marshal & Norma J. Lucas, City Clerk.

Marshal's Report: ATV Issue

Marshal Crow has received many complaints over the City enforcing the State of Texas Law, which prohibits the driving of ATV's, Go-carts, Golf Carts, Scooters, and all unlicensed vehicles on the City streets. Marshal Crow spoke about requirements of the State, and asked all to uphold the law. Marshal Crow invited Texas State Trooper Richard Vasser to address this issue from a State of Texas perspective. The Trooper provided the following information:

- **All non licensed transportation (ATV's, Go-carts, Golf Carts, Scooters, Lawn Mowers, etc.), are not allowed to operate on city streets**
 - Only allowed on private property
 - City Ordinance and rules cannot supersede State law
 - Tractors can be driven on city streets if used for agriculture purposes
 - City boundary is from fence line to street, including ditches

Councilman Friloux asked about scooters. Trooper Vasser stated that scooters must be used like bicycles, and speed must be less than 35 miles per hours. City Attorney Thad Heartfield was in attendance and he stated that the City could be liable if State laws are not upheld, and the City cannot change Ordinance to go against state law. There were pros and cons about the enforcement of City and State Law. Some citizens were upset, and some were happy to see the ban enforced. Mr. John Hignet related the near miss he had with an ATV being driven by a child. He stated that the Council should not give permission to break the law. Mrs. Sherry Adams wondered what message we are sending our children, and we should not break the law. There will be no change to the current ordinance.

Court Report: Ms. Lucas reported on the status of the Municipal Court. There were fifteen (15) Ordinance violations and 1 traffic ticket filed with the Court. Court was held on 22 March 2005. 6 ordinance violations were dismissed when they complied with ordinance. 7 Ordinances cases were continued for 60 days. One traffic case was approved to take Defensive Driving.

Treasurer's Report:

Accounts Receivable & Accounts Payable (Atch 1): Councilwoman Crane reported on Accounts Receivable in the amount of \$6,158.84 and Accounts Payable on the amount of \$2,238.10.

Statement of Accounts (Atch 3): Balances are: Regular Account \$18,353.41, Road User Fee \$123,981.37, Court \$1,182.79, Pool \$706.24, Ballpark \$20.45 and Merrill Lynch \$33,813.52. All Federal and State reports are current. We have had no penalties for late payments.

M/M/2/C: To approve Treasurer's Report. **Cearley/Friloux**

Approve Minutes: 16 March 2005 Minutes approved with correction to 2nd page, last paragraph, first sentence: word change from "Attorney" to "Judge." 29 March 2005 Minutes Approved as written.

M/M/2/C: To approve Minutes. **Crane/Friloux**

Action Items:

Work Request: One Work Order was approved prior to meeting. Numerous work orders were sent to Pct. 1 for roadwork and digging of ditches.

Appoint Education Committee: Mr. Randy Collins and Mrs. Morrison were appointed to the Education Committee. Mr. Collins stated the need of the city's support. Mr. Collins will continue his research into education issues and will keep the City apprised of progress, and help needed. A meeting will be held on 28 April with Mr. Williams, B.I.S.D. School Board representative for our district.

M/M/2/C: Friloux/Cearley

Approve cost of mandatory training for Judge Jess William 7-9 June 2005.

M/M/2/C: Crane/LaRousse

Amendment of Ordinance 85: Ordinance amended to correct permit fee amounts to New Construction \$100.00, Add-on \$50.00. If permit is requested after construction starts the fee is \$150.00, and Add-on is \$100.00.

M/M/2/C: Cearley/Crane

Revise Building Permit in accordance with provisions set forth in Ordinance 81 Deed Restriction. On new construction the lowest flood elevation must be at or above the FEMA Map. Need Survey showing elevation. Ordinance 81 and Building Permit must agree with other.

M/M/2/C: Friloux/LaRousse

Discussion Items:

Records Retention: City may have copies of numerous records, however some may be copies, and not originals.

City Survey: Mr. Grimes/Mr.. David Waxman will help City with survey. Will discuss plans after election is over.

Meet the Candidates night was discussed. All Candidates for upcoming May 7, 2005 election will be in attendance to meet with citizens.

Citizen's/Council Comments:

Acting Mayor Ford thanked Trooper Vasser for his assistance in the briefing on ATV, etc.

Acting Mayor Ford thanked Mr. Cearley for his service as Councilman and for all of the hard work he provided to the City and it's citizens.

Councilman Cearley expressed concerns about city spending money. He thanked all of the people he worked with, including the Heberts, the Bryants, and City employees Marshal Crow, and Norma Lucus.

Councilman LaRousse thanked Councilman Cearley for his service to the City.

Councilman Friloux also thanked Councilman Cearley for a "job well done."

Councilwoman Crane wished Councilman Cearley the best. And stated that "if he had any questions about the budget" he should feel free to ask.

Acting Mayor Ford gave praise to the Fire District for their quick action in response to a 911 call she made at about midnight to assist Mr. Ford with oxygen. The EMS was also there about 5 minutes later. She thanked God for the Fire District as they were there within minutes.

Mrs. Hebert also thanked the Fire District for their help in the past. The Fire District can always use more members to volunteer.

Mrs. Colleen Grimes provided information on the Nutrition Site to be held in the Civic Center. Grant money is not available at this time, but plans can be put in place to apply:

- Need to survey to determine if citizens are interested
- Must have a manager approximately 3 hours a day

- Must have at least 20 people sign-up.
- Must be at least 60 years of age.
- \$2.00 per meal.
- Need not be low income

There were questions about the Ad Valorem Tax. There will be a Council workshop to assess the needs of the City, both now and in the future. The Council will look hard at the rate, and must be completed by August 2005. Acting Mayor Ford stated the need to build the Contingency Fund up in case of an emergency. There was \$100,000 in fund, but is now about \$33,000. All spending will be justified.

Mr. & Mrs. Grimes donated \$10.00 for two Bevil Oaks T-shirts.

M/M/2/C: To adjourn at 8:50 P.M. LaRousse/Friloux


Rebecca M. Ford, Acting Mayor

ATTEST : _____
Tommy LaRousse, Secretary

**CITY OF BEVIL OAKS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
May 17, 2005**

Acting Mayor Becky Ford called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

All in attendance said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Jim Cearley gave Invocation and spoke to audience about his tenure and urged all citizens to become active in the community, and to continue to work with the Community Development Committee. Mr. Cearley thanked the City Employees and Council for the job they are doing. This was Councilman Cearley last meeting as a Councilman. He did not seek re-election. He will continue to support the City in the future.

Members Present: Jim Cearley, Cathy Crane, Pete Friloux, Becky Ford,
Member Absent: Tommy La Rousse (Hospitalized)

Staff Members Present: James Carrico, Marshal & Norma J. Lucus, City Clerk.

Post Election of May 7, 2005 Business:

City Clerk swore the following Elected officials into Office:

Rebecca (Becky) M. Ford, Mayor
Cathy Crane, Councilwoman, Ward I,
Jimmie Lew Grimes, Councilman, Ward II
Meekie D. Moseley, Councilman, Ward III

The following Appointed official was sworn into Office by the City Clerk to fill a vacancy created when Councilwoman Ford was elected Mayor:

Sherry Adams, Councilwoman, Ward III

Mayor Ford selected Councilman Jimmie Grimes as Mayor Pro-Tem. Members of the Council concurred. There were no objections.

Reaffirmation of positions held on City Council:

Council Secretary, Tommy LaRousse
Treasurer, Cathy Crane
Building Inspector, Pete Friloux

Approve Minutes: 19 April 2005 Minutes approved as written.

M/M/2/C: To approve Minutes. Crane/Friloux

Education Committee: Mr. Randy Collins provided the following information:

The Education will continue to work to get Bevil Oaks annexed by Hardin-Jefferson (HJ) School District. They are willing to accept us. If one districts says no and the other says yes, then the Bevil Oaks Committee and Citizens must go to the State Commissioners Court. The Education Committee will meet with HJ Superintendent of Schools. If we are accepted by HJ, then we must start a petition, hire an Attorney to represent us in Austin. We must find out what our tax base is, the approximate number of school age children, and grade level. Mayor Ford read letter from Ms. LaDoux, is willing to work with the Education Committee. Mayor Ford asked "would the Education committee need funding from the City of Bevil Oaks?" The City will need an answer to that question. Everyone signing a petition will have to also go to Austin. Mr. Collins spoke to an Attorney and was told that the way the situation is with Beaumont Independent School District "low performing schools, etc., this is a good time to act." A motion was made to support the Education Committee.

M/M/2/C: To support the Education Committee. Adams/Grimes

Treasurer's Report:

Accounts Receivable & Accounts Payable (Atch 1): Councilwoman Crane reported on Accounts Receivable in the amount of 6,158.84 and Accounts Payable on the amount of \$2725.10.

Statement of Accounts (Atch 3): Balances are: Regular Account \$16,205.41, Road User Fee \$131,065.68, Court \$1,182.79, Pool \$701.24, Ballpark \$20.45 and Merrill Lynch \$33,872.47. All Federal and state reports are current. We have had no penalties for late payments.

M/M/2/C: To approve Treasurer's Report. Adams/Grimes

Marshal's Report: Gave update on Ordinance violations. Those not in compliance were extended. Some will have to be notified again.

Court Report: Ms. Lucus reported on the status of the Municipal Court. 15 Ordinance cases filed, 8 complied with ordinance and were dismissed. Remainder has an extension of 60 days to comply. 1 Traffic ticket filed. Approved to take Defensive Driving.

Action Items:

Building Permits: Mr. Englehardt addressed the City Council about a Building permit #2005-04, that was withdrawn by the Council as not being in compliance with deed restrictions. After discussion on the type of

improvements being made to his property, and assuring the Council that the building in question was not to be used as a business, the Council had Mr. Englehardt sign a Statement to that fact. Motion made to reinstate the building permit.

M/M/2/C: Moseley/Crane

Building Inspector's Duties: The duties of the Building Inspector were reviewed and Attorney Heartfield recommended that the duties be changed to reflect that the Council must approve every permit, and the Mayor must sign building permit, and permit must agree with deed restrictions. Mayor Ford leaves the decision to the Council to agree with Attorney Heartfield. She asked the Council to decide. Councilwoman Crane recommended the permits be approved by council. Councilman Grimes stated that if we take Thad's advise the Council must approve and Mayor must sign permit for it to be valid. This item will be in next newsletter. Councilman Grimes made a motion to accept the Attorney's advises. M/M/2/C: Adams/Crane

Civic Center Air Conditioner (A/C) Repair: Three bids were reviewed. The lowest bid received was \$1,450 for a 5 ton A/C from Royal Air, Inc. Motion made to accept the Royal Air, Inc. bid.

M/M/2/C: Crane/Friloux

Work Request: Fourteen work orders were sent to Pct. 1 for roadwork, digging of ditches, and culvert work.

Appointment of Committees:

- Councilman Jimmie Grimes appointed to Community Development
- Councilman Moseley appointed to Roads and Drainage
- Councilwoman appointed to Building and Grounds
- Mr. Randy Collins to the Education Committee

Councilwoman Crane made a motion to approve committee.

M/M/2/C: Friloux/Adams

Citywide Garage Sale is 18 June.

Proposed Workshop is 28 June.

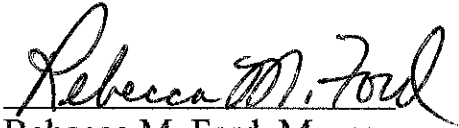
Council & Citizens Comments:

- Question asked if HJ District has a Talent and Gifted Program
- Ms. Michelle Nelson asked about the Education Committee cost. She thinks

\$15-20K will be needed. Could a petition be done at the same time?

- Mr. Milam asked if the Mayor could use her position to get a list of phone number for all in Bevil Oaks?
- Ms. Hebert mentioned the tennis court, and its condition. Mayor Ford will speak to Mr. Crenshaw.
- Councilwoman Adams asks for members to serve on her committee. Councilwoman Crane volunteered.
- Councilman Friloux congratulated winners of the 7 May elections
- Mayor Ford thanked everyone for attending meetings. The more attending meetings the more contact we have with the citizens.

M/M/2/C: To adjourn
Friloux/Crane


Rebecca M. Ford, Mayor

Attest: _____
Tommy LaRousse,
Secretary

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**CITY OF BEVIL OAKS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
June 21, 2005**

Mayor Becky Ford called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

All in attendance said the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Staff Members Present: James Carrico, Marshal & Norma J. Lucus, City Clerk.

Minutes of Regular Meeting, dated 17 May 2005 corrected to reflect Tommy LaRousse was not in attendance, due to hospitalized. All motions corrected.

Treasurer's Report: Councilwoman Crane gave the following report:

Accounts Receivable & Accounts Payable (Atch 1): Councilwoman Crane reported on Accounts Receivable in the amount of \$6,613.48 and Accounts Payable on the amount of \$4,834.95.

Statement of Accounts (Atch 2): Balances are: Regular Checking Account \$15,548.85, Road User Fee \$135,106.62, Court \$1,204.79, Pool \$612.39, Ballpark \$20.45 and Merrill Lynch \$ 33,942.29. All Federal and State reports are current. We have had no penalties for late payments.

M/M/2/C: To approve Treasurer's Report. **Moseley/Grimes**

Marshal's Report: **Marshal** gave report to Council. He is processing ordinance violations to submit to the Court for the month of July. Numerous routine calls.

M/M/2/C: To approve Minutes. **Crane/Friloux**

Court Report: Ms. Lucus reported on the status of the Municipal Court. Court was not held for the month of May or June, as there were no cases. There are still 8 ordinance violations. Marshal is working on, and I will send letters to appear in Court when documents are received. Judge Williams did not attend Municipal Court Judge's training due to a trial. We have no traffic tickets. \$95.00 collected for Court costs, and defendant given paperwork for defensive driving. M/M/2/C: To approve Court Report. **Adams/Crane**

Action Items:

- Work Orders: None.

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M/M/2/C: To adjourn at 8:40 P.M. to go into an Executive Session.
Grimes/Moseley

M/M/2/C: To adjourn Executive Session at 10:15 p.m. Friloux/Crane

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Friloux/Grimes**


Rebecca M. Ford, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tommy Larousse, Secretary

**CITY OF BEVIL OAKS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
July 19, 2005**

Mayor Becky Ford called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

All in attendance said the Pledge of Allegiance, and Invocation.

Council Members Present: Sherry Adams, Cathy Crane, Pete Friloux, Jimmy Grimes, and Rusty Moseley

Council Member absent: Tommy LaRousse, (due to illness)

Staff Members Present: James Carrico, Marshal
Norma J. Lucus, City Clerk.

Minutes of Regular Meeting, dated 21 June 2005 corrected to remove the Manning's statement. M/M/2/C: To approve Crane/Grimes

Treasurer's Report: Councilwoman Crane gave the following report:
Accounts Receivable & Accounts Payable (Atch 1): Councilwoman Crane reported on Accounts Receivable in the amount of \$4,394.91 and Accounts Payable on the amount of \$13,833.75
Statement of Accounts (Atch 2): Balances are: Regular Checking Account \$11,609.19, Road User Fee \$139,125.93, Court \$1,299.79, Pool \$612.39, Ballpark \$20.45 and Merrill Lynch \$ 34,011.07. All Federal and state reports are current. We have had no penalties for late payments.
M/M/2/C: To approve Treasurer's Report. **Moseley/Grimes**

Marshal's Report: **Marshal** gave report to Council. He stated that there are drainage problems. (Mayor has been in contact with DD6) He received numerous calls as noted in his written report.
M/M/2/C: To approve Report. **Crane/Friloux**

Court Report: Ms. Lucus reported on the status of the Municipal Court. Ordinance Cases pending. Municipal Court to be held on 26 July 2004.

Action Items:

- Streetlights & Street Signs: Councilman Mosley reported there are currently 44 streetlights. We need to light up intersections, and add 20 lights. He presented a map with proposed location of new lights.

The cost of new lights and poles is approximately \$3,500. Need someone to be available to work with Entergy. M/M/2/C: To approve the installation of twenty new lights. Grimes/Friloux

- Mandatory Municipal Court Clerk's Training & Advanced QuickBooks Training. M/M/2/C to approve training. Friloux/Crane

- Clarified & recommended change to Ordinance 149 to include: If moving into an existing Mobil Home Park, a permit is not required, as the owner of the park pays a yearly fee based on the number of spaces. When counting trailers in the park all spaces are to be counted not just the occupied spaces. Councilman Moseley requested that other issues be tabled. M/M/2/C Grimes/Crane

- Ordinance 126 (Fire Code): Remove Section 6a. Amended to lift restrictions of no-burn days. Burning is authorized any day of the week, except if burning-ban has been declared. M/M/2/C Grimes/Adams

Discussion Items:

Committee Reports:

Education: Chairman Collins:

- Hardin-Jefferson (H-J) Superintendent is very positive. The Education Committee will meet next month with the Superintendent. They will need to know the number of school age children. Mr. Collins will get info and meet with H-J. NOTE: Mayor Ford stated that the committee would have to have extra effort to get the information on the Tax base in our City. Will need volunteers and a lot of community effort. Hardin-Jefferson School Board will not have a definite answer after the meeting with the school, but committee will have an idea of how they feel.

- Building & Grounds: Councilwoman Adams has done a lot of good work on on this Committee. Has received bids for repairs/upgrading City Office and Civic Center. Mayor Ford is very proud of Committees.

- Road & Drainage: Councilman Moseley: Stated that last major project by Pct 1 has been done. He has called a couple of businesses to inquire about doing roads. He also called Sour Lake about their roads. Wondered how long roads would last. He will continue to research costs. Stated the need to be educated on the subject.

- Community Development: Councilman Grimes thanked members of his committee for a good job. They are working hard. Will have info in the future of ideas, etc.

- Council Comments: Council Friloux gave an update on Councilman LaRousse. Tommy had fallen out of bed again and sustained more injuries.

- Citizen Comments:

Mr. Lowery thanked Norma for calling to get stop sign restored to Lowery Place by Dept. of Public Safety.

- Mrs. Hebert would like the City to have a Reception for the Fire Dept. and EMS.

-Questions about tax base. Not set because the Appraisal District is in the middle of tax protest, and no appraisal amounts until that is finished.

M/M/2/C: To adjourn Council meeting at 8:22 P.M. Friloux/Crane


Rebecca M. Ford, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Tommy LaRousse

**CITY OF BEVIL OAKS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
August 16, 2005**

Mayor Pro-Tem Grimes called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Ford was delayed and reported @ 7:30.

All in attendance said the Pledge of Allegiance, and Invocation.

Council Members Present: Sherry Adams, Cathy Crane, Pete Friloux, Jimmy Grimes, Rusty Moseley

Council Member Absent: Tommy LaRousse: (due to illness)

Staff Members Present: James Carrico, Marshal & Norma J. Lucus, City Clerk.

Minutes of Regular Meeting, dated 19 July 2005 corrected to remove the Mannings statement.

Treasurer's Report: Councilwoman Crane gave the following report:
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M/M/2/C: To approve Treasurer's Report. Moseley/Friloux

Marshal's Report: Marshal gave report to Council. Provided all with written copy. M/M/2/C: To approve Report. Adams/Crane

Court Report: Ms. Lucus reported on the status of the Municipal Court. No Court held. No new cases.
M/M/2/C: To approve Court Report. Moseley/Friloux

Work Order: Work order for Chad Englehardt was approved . M/M/2/C: To approve. Grimes/Moseley

Action Items:

- Work Orders: None.

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Rebecca M. Ford, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tommy Larousse, Secretary

CITY OF BEVIL OAKS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
September 20, 2005

Mayor Ford called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

All in attendance said the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation led by Mayor Ford.

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Nomination to appoint Mr. Dave Tevis as Councilman to represent Ward I was made by Mayor Ford. M/M/2/C: To approve the appointment. Grimes/Adams

Mr. Tevis took the "Oath of Office" as Councilman, Ward I.

Approve Minutes of August 16, 2005 with correction "Councilwoman" to "Councilman." M/M/2/C: To approve minutes with correction. Grimes/Friloux

Treasurer's Report: Accounts Payable (A/P), Accounts Receivable (A/R), & Statement of Accounts: As of 20 September A/P \$3,515.90, A/R \$33,857.86. Balances of Bank Accounts as of August 31, 2005: Road User \$134,706.03, Regular Checking \$37,489.12, Municipal Court \$1,432.44, Pool \$612.39, Ball Park \$20.45, Merrill Lynch \$34,167.78.

Marshal's Report: Marshal Crow gave a report to Mayor and Council on his activities. A written report was also provided. See Atch 1. Marshal Crow also asked the Council for a petty cash account. This will be an agenda item in the future.

Court Report: Court has been inactive. All ordinance violations are on hold by Marshal Crow.

Building Permit/Work Orders: None

Action Items:

- City Hall Clean-up/Painting: Painting is to begin on 15 October @ 7:30.
M/M/2/C: Moseley/Friloux

- City-wide cleanup day: Date to be set.

M/M/2/C: Adams/Moseley

- Obsolete Computer and Tower: To dispose of obsolete computer and tower.

M/M/2/C: Friloux/Grimes

- Bevil Oaks T-shirts: T-shirts may be donated to hurricane evacuees, may be given to City committees, or other civic uses.

M/M/2/C:

Discussion Items

Committee Reports:

- Education: (Update provided by Mayor Ford): Met with Hardin-Jefferson (H-J) School Board. H-J allowed their community to discuss their feelings about Bevil Oaks request to attend their schools. No action was taken, but work is continuing. Lane Walker called to ask how he could help.

- Building & Grounds: Painting is to begin 15 October. Other work to update the Civic Center and Office is ongoing.

- Roads & Drainage: Street Lamps are in need replacement. No manpower from Entergy to do the replacement due to Hurricane Katrina. Roads are not to specifications. Councilman Moseley is in conversation with Mason Construction to have them come out to look at roads. Will have to rebuild roads to specs. Marshal Crow stated that we have sand and bags if needed for pending hurricane Rita. Prisoners will fill sand bags.

- Community Development:

- Mr. Howard Schram and Ms. Michelle Nelson will get next newsletter together.

- Mrs. Hebert talked to Chief Gonzales about dinner. Tentative date is in the month of November.

- Discussion to purchase Bell & Howell Lights for the Bevil Oaks sign at TX Highway 105, so that it can be seen at night.

- Mr. Grimes is wanting reimbursement for the cost to replace the "Yard of the Month." He will provide receipt.

- Council Comments:

Mayor Ford discussed the City Ordinances. She stated that the Council make the rule in the form of an ordinance. Council should not decide on a solution, but must allow the Marshal to follow the ordinance guidelines and allow the City Judge to decide what action for non-compliance to ordinance. Attorney is checking ordinance to assure what's written is clear.

- Mayor and Council welcomed Councilman Tevis to City Council.

Citizen's Comments:

- Fire Chief Gonzales is working closely with Jefferson County Emergency Management to keep the City updated on Hurricane Rita. The Mayor is also in contact with the County in the event evacuation is mandatory. The City is under the Jefferson County Emergency Management Plan. If mandatory evacuation is issued for Jefferson County, the City must evacuate, as no services will be available. Marshal Crow is also in contact with Jefferson County, and the Mayor.

- Mr. Hebert asked that in the next newsletter ask that users of the bulletin boards not use nails.

- Ms. Michelle Nelson will check playground for unsafe equipment. She will also head a committee to purchase new playground equipment. After summer is over, Council will attempt to remove brush at rear of civic center land.

M/M/2/C: To adjourn meeting at 8:45 P.M. Friloux/Moseley


Rebecca M. Ford

ATTEST: _____
Jimmie Grimes

CITY OF BEVIL OAKS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
October 18, 2005

Mayor Ford called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

All in attendance said the Pledge of Allegiance. Invocation was given by Mayor Ford.

Council Members Present: Sherry Adams, Pete Friloux, Jimmie Grimes, Dave Tevis

Council Members Absent: Tommy LaRousse (due to illness), Rusty Moseley

Staff Members Present: Marshal James "Crow" Carrico, Norma J. Lucas, City Clerk.

Treasurer's Report: Accounts Payable (A/P) \$4,995.15, Statement of Accounts: Ball Park \$20.45, Municipal Court \$1,432.44, Pool Account, Road User \$138,559.05, General Fund \$33,766.60. Report given by Mayor Ford. Council approved final payment to Sprint.

M/M/2/C: Grimes/Tevis

Marshal's Report: Marshal Crow gave Report on his activities, also discussed the incoming Hurricane Rita. Written report is at Atch 1.

M/M/2/C: Grimes/Tevis

Emergency Management Report:

Mayor Ford provided the following information:

- City of Bevil Oaks is under the Jefferson County Emergency Management Plan
- When mandatory evacuation is ordered by Jefferson County, the City of Bevil Oaks must evacuate, as there will be no services available, including medical care.
- Mr. Don Smith was appointed Emergency Management Coordinator for Bevil Oaks.
- The City has provided all requested information (to date) to Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).
- Jefferson County will meet with FEMA on October 20, 2005. The City will have a representative attend.
- Mayor Ford thanked Councilman and Mrs. Grimes for their support of all citizens of Bevil Oaks.
- All trees, refuge, and refrigerators will be picked up individually until all has been removed. People with the Jefferson County Emergency Management office are very helpful.

Mr. Don Smith provided the following information:

- Don wanted to thank Drew for a job well in keeping the water department going during, and after the hurricane. Terry went to Houston to get diesel fuel to keep the water department going.
- Don came back to the City the day after Hurricane Rita. He thanked many citizens

helped to keep the City going. Ruth Boles and others provided for the security of the City. Kevin Lovett and others cut trees to allow early access to roads. Don was in contact with Department of Public Safety, and Jefferson County Sheriff's Department to control access and traffic into Bevil Oaks.

Don Smith Continued:

- Don was also in contact with FEMA to receive as much help for recovery as soon as possible.
- Received a Generator for use at the Water Department.
- Made numerous trips to Ford Park to get ice & water
- The American Red Cross was out with food for citizens
- Coordinated with tree people to clear roads
- In addition to Entergy, the Florida Power and Lights were in the City helping to restore power. Mr. Bethea of Entergy was in contact with Mayor Ford, Don Smith, and was in the City on a regular basis.
- Chief Gonzales was also in contact with Mayor Ford, and Don to keep them updated of action being taken at the Jefferson County Emergency Management Office.
- Dumpster ;water, food, was taken care of at no cost to the City.
- Cost to City was \$150, for diesel fuel.
- There will be three phases of clean-up: Trees, trash, and Refrigerators.

Shot Clinic: Jefferson County will provide a Shot Clinic, free of charge. Will be available at Civic Center in October.

ACTION ITEMS:

- Councilwoman Adams nominated as Treasurer. M/M/2/C: Friloux/Grimes
- Work Request - 1 approved
- Building Permits - All permits issued for repair of damaged homes will be approved by Building Inspector Pete Friloux. There will be no charge for the permits if hurricane related repairs. The cost of permits are waived for a period of 90 days, through 18 January 2006. All contractors must complete a building permit, be bonded and have liability insurance. M/M/2/C Adams/Grimes

Committee Reports:

Education: Last night was to be the School Board Meeting in Sour Lake. Due to Hurricane Rita unsure if meeting was held.

Building & Grounds: Councilwoman Adams was given a Budget to work with for repairs and upgrade to the Civic Center and City Office. She has action to purchase and remodel. No other approval is required if she remains within her budget.

Roads & Drainage: No report

Community Development:: Continue to work on a date for the Fire District Volunteers Dinner. Mrs. Hebert will again try to set a date.

Council Comments:

- Mayor Ford again thanked all of the Citizens for working so well with each other and caring. It shows a community that comes together in a time of need. She also thanked the citizens Carroll Lane for making a gumbo and feeding the workers helping our city. She thanked all citizens for their positive comments, and for their criticisms as well.
- Councilman Grimes stated the American Red Cross did an outstanding job. The Fire Department was outstanding. Ruth Boles, John Boles, Chris Gonzales, Karrell Waller and many others were very supportive, and worked hard.
- Councilwoman Adams appreciates all the good work in our city.
- All Council expressed thanks for a job well done by all.

Citizens Comments:

Mrs. Hebert is happy with utility workers for getting lights back on.

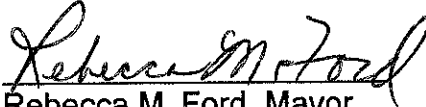
Don Smith said he played many rolls during the crisis, but was satisfied to do the job.

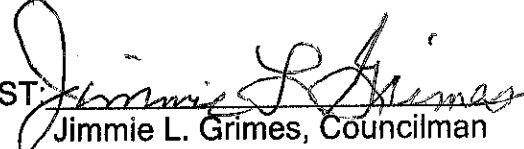
Question asked if the Marshal was to remain in the City during a hurricane?

John Hignett reminded citizens not burn in ditches.

John Gundolf consulted with tree movers.

M/M/2/C: To adjourn meeting at 8:15 P.M. Friloux/Adams


Rebecca M. Ford, Mayor

ATTEST: 
Jimmie L. Grimes, Councilman

CITY OF BEVIL OAKS
MINUTES OF WORKSHOP
October 25, 2005

Mayor Ford called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

All in attendance said the Pledge of Allegiance. Invocation was given by Mayor Ford.
Council Members Present: Sherry Adams, Pete Friloux, Jimmy Grimes, Tommy LaRousse, Rusty Moseley

Council Members Absent: Dave Tevis

Staff Members Present:: Norma J. Lucus, City Clerk.


Workshop agenda items altered to accommodate Citizens who wished to discuss numerous issues. Among those was a rumor that Marshal Carrico was going to be fired because he left the City before Hurricane Rita. Ms. Elaine Hignet was sorry to hear the Marshal was being "let go." She believes that he has done more good for the City. She stated that the Marshal had a right to evacuate the City as mandatory evacuate means everyone in the city. She is saddened for Marshal Crow and his wife.

Mr. Mark Wallace stated that ditches are full, and he helped clear the streets as soon as the hurricane passed.

M/M/2/C: Adjourned at 7:30 for Executive Session. LaRousse/Moseley

M/M/2/C: Adjourned Executive Session at 8:30 P.M. LaRousse/Friloux


Rebecca M. Ford, Mayor


Jimmie L. Grimes, Councilman

CITY OF BEVIL OAKS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
November 15, 2005

Mayor Ford called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation led by Mr. George Bryant

Council Members Present: Sherry Adams, Pete Friloux, Jimmie Grimes,
Tommy LaRousse, Dave Tevis

Council Members Absent: Rusty Moseley

Staff Members Present: Norma J. Lucus, City Clerk. Marshal is on vacation.

Minutes of Meeting 20 September 2005 approved as recorded
M/M/2/C: Friloux/Grimes

NOTE: Minutes of 18th and 25th October 2005, required minor corrections - will update
for approval at next Regular Council Meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Given by Councilwoman Adams. As of 15th November: Accounts
Payable \$3,843.89, Accounts Receivable \$6,637.84. Statement of Accounts as of
31 October, 2005: Regular Checking \$27,033.62, Road User \$141,768.82, Municipal
Court \$1,432.44, Pool \$612.39, Ball Park \$20.45, and Merrill Lynch \$34,210.92. See
ACTH 1 for detailed report.
M/M/2/C: Grimes/Friloux

Marshal's Report: Written report is at ACTH 1.
M/M/2/C: Grimes/Tevis
helpful.

Court Report: Currently inactive

ACTION ITEMS:

Work Request - None

Building Permit: Mr. Matthews. Approved pending Survey/Elevation certificate, and
permit fee.
M/M/2/C Tevis/Adams

TML Surety Bond for new Treasurer, Councilwoman Sherry Adams approved
M/M/2/C: LaRousse/Grimes

Resolution "Texas Property Tax Code, Section 26.09 Tax Rolls 2005. Motioned to approve by Councilman Grimes.

M/M/2/C: Tevis/Adams

Purchase a new printer and upgrade of CPU of office computer, not to exceed \$500.00

M/M/2/C: Adams/Grimes

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Mayor Ford informed the Council of current issue with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) on issues of 941 Report and Payments dating back to the years of 2000 and 2002. We are researching old documents to locate subject 941's and Mayor Ford is working with the IRS to resolve the problem.

Mayor Ford has provided all documentation to FEMA in an effort to receive funding for losses the City sustained due to Hurricane Rita. FEMA determined the roads did not qualify for funding. They will fund new street signs, stump grinding, park slide, street lights installation, etc. Mayor Ford learned a lot from FEMA on what the City could qualify for after a disaster. As a part of the Jefferson County Emergency Plan, the City will add an addendum to include our own contingencies. Such as validating time spent, on recovery, etc. The budget has to be adjusted to include emergencies. Reconignation Dinner for the Fire District, and City Volunteers are still in the planning stages

Committee Reports:

Education: No report

Building & Grounds: No report

Roads & Drainage: No report

Community Development: No report

Council Comments:

Councilman LaRousse thanked Mayor Ford for a job well done, and is appreciative of the job she is doing.

Councilman Grimes recommended that Fire District Cris Gonzales and Mr. Don Smith be put in for a community service award representing Bevil Oaks. Letters of recommendation must accompany award application. Mr. George Bryant would like to also do letters to attach to award package. Mayor Ford will be the nominator.

Councilman Tevis reminded all that if re-roofing, make sure the roofer inform the state so that a wind storm inspection is received. There is no cost to the homeowner for the inspection.

Mr. George Bryant suggested that the Mayor that was in office during the period of 2000 and 2002 be involved in the correction necessary for the IRS Forms 941's

M/M/2/C: To adjourn meeting at 8:25 P.M. LaRousse/Adams


REBECCA M. FORD, Mayor

ATTEST: 
Jimmie L. Grimes, Councilman

CITY OF BEVIL OAKS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
December 27, 2005

Mayor Ford called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

All in attendance said the Pledge of Allegiance. Invocation was given by George Bryant.

Council Members Present: Sherry Adams, Pete Friloux, Jimmie Grimes, Tommy LaRousse, Rusty Moseley

Council Members Absent: Dave Tevis

Minutes of 20 September 2005 reviewed. M/M/2/C: Friloux/Grimes
Minutes of 18 October 2005 reviewed. M/M/2/C: Adams/Grimes
Minutes of 25 October 2005 reviewed. M/M/2/C:Moseley/Larousse
Minutes of 15 November 2005 reviewed. M/M/2/C:Moseley/Friloux

Council Members Absent: Dave Tevis

Staff Members Present: Marshal James "Crow" Carrico, Norma J. Lucus, City Clerk.

Treasurer's Report: Given by Councilwoman Adams. M/M/2/C: Friloux/Grimes
Marshal's Report:: Marshal Crow gave Report on his activities: M/M/2/C: Grimes/Adams
Court Report: Given my Norma Lucus. One ticket processed for Littering fine of \$249.00. Request that Judge Williams bill the City for services provided.

ACTION ITEMS:

Work Request : 2 approved

Engagement Letter: Council approved the engagement of Mr. Gary Zimmerman, CPA of the firm Edgar, Kiker, & Cross. Engagement letter is at ATCH 1. Mr. Zimmerman has been given authority to speak with the IRS on any payment/report issues. M/M/2/C Adams/Grimes

Council approved the announcement of receiving bids for the replacement and maintenance of street signs. The bid is for labor only. The City will provide all materials. Notice for bid will be placed on CMA Cablevision. M/M/2/C: Moseley/LaRousse

Discussion Items:

Pine Island Bayou: Mr. George Bryant discussed the problems of all the fallen trees due to Hurricane Rita, in addition of debris that existed before "Rita ." He imagine flooding of City, and stated we would have a real problem "out here." Mayor Ford asked Mr. Bryant to work with Councilman Moseley to do the leg work on a project to clean out

the Bayou. Suggestion to meet with Mr. Ritter and Mr. Poe to discuss our problem. Need to also talk with Pinewood's Mayor and would appreciate any help they could provide on the project.

Council Comments:

Mayor Ford stated that Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is sending money to the City to help with the replacement costs of street signs. The City need to work on Emergency Management. The City will write an addendum to the Jefferson County Emergency Plan to address specifics procedures for Bevil Oaks to follow in an emergency.

Dog Issues; Councilman Friloux has been working this on-going problem in the City. There have been many complaints about unleashed dogs. Dog Catcher must be licensed by the State, and Certified. Councilman Friloux will try to get copy of animal ordinance from another City to see how they address the problem.

Citizens Comments:

Mrs. Hebert stated that she still "has a lot of trash in her ditch."

Mrs. Grimes read a letter she prepared asking if the City enforce Ordinances.

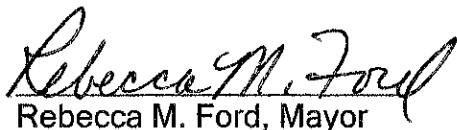
Mrs. Bryant asked about an update on the "School" issue with Hardin County ISD. Was informed that the Hardin County did not act on our request and the issued is closed at this time.

Mr. D. Smith stated that the old pool location was full of water and is dangerous. Suggest Mr. Crenshaw be notified Mayor Ford asked Marshal Crow to contact Mr. Crenshaw about the problem. He also stated that City ID badges be issued. Mayor Ford is working on this project.

Bevil Oaks Trailer park is a mess. Can a lien be placed on the trailer park if not in compliance?

Mayor Ford thanked all for attending the meeting, and supporting the City.

M/M/2/C: To adjourn at 9:15: Larousse/Adams


Rebecca M. Ford, Mayor

ATTEST: 
Jimmie L. Grimes, Councilman