

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

June 11, 2026

1. Call to Order @ 11:00 a.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance/Invocation given by *Councilman Merendino*
3. Roll Call- *All but Councilman Mannette present*
4. Conflict of Interest Statement- *None*
5. Citizen Comments- *None*
6. Review/Approve Action Items
 - a. **Consideration/Discussion/Approval** of approving budget and transactions needed for the Independence Day celebration. **M/M/2/C- Councilman Thibodeaux/Councilman Wright- Approved-Unanimous**
 - **Councilman Thibodeaux-** States that in December the Council decided to not do the new year celebration. Instead, that budget would be combined with the budget for the 4th of July. States that the approximate budget would be \$6,000. Goes over line items on the budget. States that there will be some changes because of cost changes. States that the plan is not to exceed the budget of \$6,000. States that the group has also decided to purchase Bevil Oaks windshield stickers. States that the idea was thrown around for a while, but it was never followed through on.
 - **Councilman Merendino-** Asks what the sticker is for and how many are being purchased?
 - **Councilman Thibodeaux-** States that it will be a short order this time to keep him in the budget. The printing will be around \$500.
 - **Councilman Wright-** Asks if the flags will be one time use?
 - **Councilman Thibodeaux-** Yes, they will be one time use for the 250th celebration.
 - **Councilman Wright-** The flags that are presents won't take place of our flags that go on the flag poles, will they?
 - **Councilman Thibodeaux-** No, but there are some flags that he is ordering that will go to the donors of the event that hang on a flag pole. If there isn't any donors then, they will be placed on the flagpoles down Sweetgum.
 - **Councilman Merendino-** Asks if we have solicited any donors?
 - **Councilman Thibodeaux-** States that he made a post on the Facebook groups.
 - **Mayor Mitchell-** Asks if we do get donations, could we use the donated funds for an incidentals that we have forgotten on the budget.
 - **Councilman Thibodeaux-** States that a few months ago, the maintenance department was given a budget to purchase a vehicle. States that there wasn't any detail on a particular car. States that so far, a golf car has been purchased. States that the Council approved one person to get the vehicle instead of it having to be brought back to Council. States that he doesn't understand why he is having to come to Council with a line-item budget of all the items that are estimated to be purchased.
 - **Councilman Wright-** States that he agreed with him two weeks, but after hearing the attorney's statements about it, he understands now that setting a budget does not give the approval of the transaction. States that now that we know that we have to have the transactions approved. States that

before an event comes around with the new budget, that the transactions need to be brought to Council.

- **Councilman Thibodeaux-** States that he just wanted the budget and transaction to be in an official capacity.
- **Councilman Merendino-** States that Councilman Thibodeaux was at the meeting when the attorney explained this.
- **Mayor Mitchell-** States that breakfast with Santa was different because that event was working off of donations.
- **Councilman Merendino-** States that he told the guy that had the van that he had to bring it to Council.
- **Councilman Thibodeaux-** States that he isn't contesting the purchase of the vehicle or golf cart purchase.
- **Councilman Smith-** States that being a type A general law City, the Mayor is in charge of making sure that the Council follows the law. States that now that everyone knows what the law is, we have to make sure that the law is followed.
- **Mayor Mitchell-** States that she has to be in the know about events and what is spent.
- **Councilman Wright-** States that this points out the need to be thorough and communicate.

b. Consideration/Discussion/Approval of approving the budget and transactions for placement of temporary restrooms and handwashing stations at the park for 2026 summer. **M/M/2/C- Councilman Merendino/Councilman Wright- Tabled until the Council meeting on 6/18/2026 so that Councilman Thibodeaux can get an accurate cost.**

- **Councilman Wright-** Asks how much and for how long?
- **Mayor Mitchell-** July and August.
- **Councilman Smith-** \$445.
- **Councilman Wright-** Does this also include the July 4th?
- **Councilman Thibodeaux-** Yes.
- **Councilman Merendino-** Asks if the restrooms will be handicap accessible?
- **Councilman Thibodeaux-** If they can find them, yes. States that it isn't a requirement. States that this is the receipt from last year. States that we used to use Republic, but they no longer do it.
- **Councilman Merendino-** States that the price could have changed, so can we table this until the Council meeting next week so that we can get the exact cost?
- **Sabrenna Crain-** States that the invoice from last year states that the service charge is from 7/03-7/27.
- **Councilman Thibodeaux-** States that we can table it until the meeting next week so that he can get an accurate number.

7. Adjourn Meeting @ 11:21 a.m. Councilman Merendino/Councilman Wright



Mayor Cheri Mitchell

Attest:



City Secretary, Jeff Thibodeaux

Approved this 17th day of August 2026.