

Notice of Tax Rate Hearing Minutes
CITY OF BEVIL OAKS, TEXAS
August 14, 2025

1. Call to Order @ 6:00pm

2. Roll Call- all present

3. Discussion of 2025 tax rate

- **Councilman Merendino-** States that last year, the Council approved a rate in between the no-new revenue rate and the tax approval rate.
- **Mayor Mitchell-** States that the tax rate that is currently in place is .13
- **Councilwoman Cramer-** States that there is a bill that was passed that will be retroactive for 2025. States that for a school tax and for property tax there will be a significant increase. Jefferson County goes from 2,500 to 150,000 for homestead eligibility. States that Hardin County will go from 10,000 to 60,000, so depending on how many homestead exemptions we have, we may have a decrease in revenue. States that it depends on the appraisal rates going up at the same time. States that if we have the same rate going forward that we will see a decrease in revenue.
- **Councilman Wright-** Suggests that we keep the rates the same at this time or that we raise it to the max rate that would require a citizen vote and that will not be well received at this time.
- **Mayor Mitchell-** States that the no-new revenue is .12 and we are looking at keeping the rate of .13.
- **Councilman Wright-** States that he doesn't understand the difference in the .13 vs the .1245. If last years rate was .13, then why isn't this years .13?
- **Mayor Mitchell-** Higher value. States that we don't have to change the current rate.
- **Councilwoman Cramer-** States the homestead rate is increasing. A total of \$200,00 could be exempt. The rate is decreasing
- **Councilman Merendino-** States that we aren't decreasing the rate that we are currently charging.
- **Councilwoman Cramer-** States that it shows that the rate is decreased on the paper.
- **Mayor Mitchell-** Explains that the tax rate that is chosen can be between the two tax rates that it shows on the paper.
- **Councilman Thibodeaux-** Asks if we can have the CPA run actuary report on the change in property and school tax to see if it will change the revenue that the City will be receiving?
- **Mayor Mitchell-** Yes.
- **Councilman Thibodeaux-** States that eventually the rate is going to have to change because everything else is going up and we need to account for that.

4. Tax Rate Hearing

5. Adjourn Tax Rate Hearing @ 6:38 pm Councilman Merendino/Councilman Thibodeaux



Mayor Cheri Mitchell

Attest:



City Secretary, Jeff Thibodeaux

Approved on this 16 day of Oct., 2025.