

CITY OF HANCEVILLE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
10/9/2025

The City Council of Hanceville, Alabama, met in public session on October 9, 2025, immediately following the work session at 5:00 PM in the Council Chambers of City Hall.

Mayor Jim Sawyer called the meeting to order, led the prayer, and followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Sawyer opened the floor for public comments.
There were none.

Mayor Sawyer requested roll call.

Present:

Councilor John Stam
Councilor Jimmie Nuss

Councilor Patty Dean-Tucker
Mayor Jim Sawyer

Absent:

Mayor Pro tem Kim Brown
Councilor Kenneth Cornelius

Councilor Nuss motioned to accept the *consent agenda* as presented. Councilor Dean-Tucker gave second. Motion carried.

Councilor Stam motioned to approve the *bills* as presented. Councilor Nuss seconded. Motion carried.

Motion by Councilor Nuss to pay the city's obligation, \$82,215.58 *invoiced* by the *Cullman County Commission* for reimbursement of deputy overtime for Hanceville coverage. Seconded by Councilor Dean-Tucker. Councilor Stam opposed. Motion carried.

Councilor Dean-Tucker moved to pay the *invoice* for the insurance deductible from *Alabama Municipal Insurance Corporation* in the amount of \$22,153.82. Seconded by Councilor Nuss. Motion carried.

Councilor Dean-Tucker motioned to reappoint Ms. Shirley Burder to *Place 1 on the Historic Preservation Commission* for a three-year term expiring 11/1/2028. Councilor Stam gave second. Motion carried.

Councilor Nuss motioned to reappoint Eddie Burkart to *Place 3 on the Zoning Board of Adjustments* for a three-year term ending 11/1/2028. Seconded by Councilor Dean-Tucker. Motion carried.

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Councilor Nuss moved to honor the request of the Civitan Club for the *Tinsel Trail* November 15th thru January 6th (Tree Lighting Ceremony on November 21st at 6 PM). Councilor Stam seconded. Motion carried.

Councilor Stam motioned to approve the *signage* as presented by Andy Riendeau for *his tattoo shop*. Seconded by Councilor Dean-Tucker. Motion carried.

Nolan Bradford, in the work session, advised the Council that downtown businesses have a problem getting people to turn onto Commercial Street and requested permission to utilize the edge of the alley by the Texaco behind the sign shop to put up signs for all the downtown businesses that want to participate in advertising.

Motion by Councilor Dean-Tucker to let the *signs* be put up for the businesses. Seconded by Councilor Stam. Motion carried.

Councilor Nuss moved to table the *Industrial Development Board Appointments* requested by Nolan Bradford. Councilor Stam gave second. Motion carried.

Councilor Stam motioned to table the *Planning Commission Appointments* requested by Nolan Bradford. Councilor Nuss gave second. Motion carried.

Councilor Stam moved to approve *Ordinance No. 2025-7 (Alcohol)*. Councilor Dean-Tucker seconded. Upon roll call vote the following was recorded:

Ayes:

Councilors: Stam, Dean-Tucker, Nuss
Mayor Sawyer

Nays:

None

Motion carried.

Councilor Dean-Tucker moved to approve *Ordinance No. 2025-8 (Employee Handbook)*. Councilor Stam seconded. Upon roll call vote the following was recorded:

Ayes:

Councilors: Stam, Dean-Tucker, Nuss
Mayor Sawyer

Nays:

None

Motion carried.

Reports:

- Bank Accounts Balance Sheet
- FY 2025 4th QTR Budget vs. Actual
- FY 2026 Budget
- Public Works Bi-Weekly Job Detail
- Bart Absher, Interim Fire Chief, stated the guys have done a really good job the last few days, lot of calls, fire prevention month, can get smoke alarms for free, lithium battery safety, buy legitimate American made stuff.

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Councilor Nuss motioned to approve the *minutes* for the Regular Council Meeting held on September 25, 2025. Second given by Councilor Dean-Tucker. Motion carried.

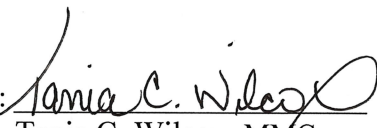
Announcements

- Hanceville Civitan Pancake Breakfast October 18, 2025 7:30 - 10:30 AM
Hanceville Methodist Church
- Work Session October 23, 2025 5:00 PM
- Council Meeting October 23, 2025 Immediately following Work Session

Councilor Dean-Tucker moved to *adjourn*. Seconded by Councilor Nuss. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:28 PM.



Jim Sawyer, Mayor

ATTEST: 
Tania C. Wilcox, MMC