City of Hanceville
Regular Council Meeting
10/08/2026

The City of Hanceville, Alabama met in a public session on October 08, 2026, for a work session beginning at 6:00 PM in the council chambers of city hall with the meeting immediately following.

Mayor Bradford called the meeting to order at 6:00PM.

Rusty Fields, the Public Works Director, requested an amendment to the patching budget for the city.

Rusty Fields informed the council of the essential need for the public works employees to continue to have a take-home vehicle. The public works employees also use their personal tools to do their jobs.

Councilor Rowe suggested a compromise of the employees paying for gas to and from home to work.

Mayor Bradford called the council meeting to order at 6:59 PM.

Mayor Bradford led the prayer.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Bradford opened the floor for public comments:

Mrs. Lucille Powell expressed concern over the changes proposed in regard to the public works department.

Mrs. Katie Whitley also had concerns over the changes proposed in regard to the public works department.

Present:

Mayor Nolan Bradford	Pro-Tem Jana Shelton
Councilor Carla Cain	Councilor Kim Brown
Councilor Cameron Rowe	Councilor Robert Powell

Absent:

Councilor Brown made a motion to approve the consent agenda with the exception of moving item 13 to item 1. Councilor Rowe seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Councilor Powell moved to allow Council to go into Executive Session to discuss Good Name and Character at 7:05. Councilor Brown seconded the motion. Roll call vote:

Councilor Powell – Yes	Councilor Cain - Yes
Councilor Rowe – Yes	Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton – Yes
Councilor Brown – Yes	Mayor Bradford – Yes

Motion carried.

Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton made a motion to reconvene the council meeting at 7:48 PM. Councilor Rowe seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There were no presentations.

Item 1: Councilor Powell moved to sustain the act of removal by the mayor of Chris Hardin as fire chief. Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton seconded the motion. Roll call vote:

Councilor Powell – Yes	Councilor Cain - Yes
Councilor Rowe – Yes	Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton - Yes
Councilor Brown – Yes	Mayor Bradford – Yes

Motion carried.

Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton made a motion to approve the minutes for the September 24, 2026 council meeting. Councilor Rowe seconded the motion. Motion carried.

New Business:

Item 13 – Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton made a motion to approve bills as presented. Councilor Rowe seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Item 2 - Councilor Brown made a motion to donate $500.00 as it was approved in the budget to ArgiPlex. Councilor Powell seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Item 3 – Mayor Bradford, Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton, Councilor Brown, and Josh Howell will be a part of the Policy and Procedures Committee in order to reestablish the police department.

Item 4 - Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton made the motion to replace the former mayor Paul Campbell with current mayor Nolan Bradford in Place 1 and fill Place 4 with Councilor Rowe. Councilor Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried with Councilor Rowe abstaining.

Item 5 – Councilor Brown made the motion to amend budget and transfer $25,000.00 from the 7/5 cent gas tax to public works for paving. Councilor Powell seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Item 6 - Councilor Brown made motion to postpone budget amendment for tools. Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Item 7 - Councilor Powell moved to amend Resolution 2026-8 Vehicle Policy with language provided for review, effective six months after approved, and postpone until the next meeting. Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton seconded the motion. Proposed amendment is as follows:

7. OFFICIAL BUSINESS AND TEMPORARY USE

Nothing in this Policy shall prohibit an elected or appointed City official, officer, or employee who is otherwise authorized to operate a City-owned vehicle from using such vehicle for legitimate official City business, including:

1. Travel to meetings, conferences, seminars, or training;
2. Official City travel outside the municipality;
3. Special events or temporary municipal operations;
4. Severe weather preparation or response;
5. Emergency response or other urgent municipal business; or
6. Other temporary travel reasonably necessary to carry out an official City purpose.

When severe weather or another identifiable emergency is reasonably anticipated, a Department Head may temporarily authorize designated employees to take City-owned vehicles home when necessary to facilitate timely emergency response.

Such authorization shall be limited to the period reasonably necessary for emergency preparation and response, shall identify the employees and vehicles authorized, and shall be documented by the Department Head.

When reasonably necessary because of the time or location of the official business, a City-owned vehicle may temporarily be kept overnight at the residence of the authorized official, officer, or employee.

Temporary possession under this section shall not constitute a routine take-home vehicle assignment and shall not be used to circumvent the eligibility requirements of this Policy.

Nothing in this Policy shall prohibit the Mayor from being assigned or regularly using a City owned vehicle in the performance of official City duties. Such assignment shall not constitute authorization for routine take-home use unless separately authorized in accordance with applicable law.

Motion carried.

Item 8 – Councilor Brown made a motion to postpone Resolution 2026-9 Credit Card Policy and let it be a first read. Councilor Powell seconded the Motion. Motion carried.

Item 9 – Councilor Powell moved to postpone resolution 2026-10, ordinance 2026-12, ordinance 2026-13, ordinance 2026-14 until the next council meeting. Councilor Rowe seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Old Business:

None

Reports from Staff:

Bank account balance sheets in the packet.

Fire Dept. – Assistant Fire Chief reported 116 fire calls and 1106 calls year to date. Two firefighters in firefighter survival class. Assistant Fire Chief Absher will be attending a class on October 13-14 in Cullman for traffic incident management class, a trainer class which enables him to come and train other employees. Jonathan Crumpton just completed his Instructor 2 class.

Operations Manager Bi-Weekly Public Works and Park & Rec Job Details in packet. Public works will also be monitoring the weather. Rusty gave a patching update and stated that Mud Creek work will begin soon. It was also suggested that Mayor Bradford and Rusty meet with the County Commission. The council asked about the possibility of getting a patching machine.

Park Director; the hole in the pool has not been found. The pool is losing water and chemicals. Due to the weather pool use of chemicals will decrease substantially. The asbestos has been removed from the Park House. The ABI machine should be here in a couple of weeks. The security cameras have been ordered. The billing for the fence project have started coming in.

Council Discussion Items:

- C W Park and funeral home have the same address. The new address will be 100 Park Rd. The pool address will be 200 Park Rd.
- Councilor Powell suggested making Sprout the internet provider for the city.
- There will only be a $30.00 fee for peddlers participating in the holly market.
- 1033 for ADECA is going well.

Announcements:

- Work Session / Council Meeting — October 22, 2026
- Work Session/ Council Meeting — November 12, 2026

Adjournment motion by Councilor Rowe. Councilor Powell seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:21 PM.

Date: 10/20/26

Nolan Bradford
Mayor

Date: 10/20/2026

Attest: Teja McIntyre MMC, MCIS
City Clerk