City of Lake View

Council Meeting Minutes

Thursday, September 24, 2026

6:00 pm

Lake View Municipal Complex

Mission: To promote an ethical and responsive municipal government which provides its citizenry with high-quality municipal services in an efficient and cost-effective manner.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:05pm by Mayor Dudley.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Invocation and Pledge was led by Mayor Dudley.

ROLL CALL: The members present were Mayor Dudley and Councilmembers, Rosalyn Dudley, Ben Hudson, Dan Celmer and Eloise Johnson.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion was made by the Mayor to approve the agenda for the evening. Councilmember Johnson seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: Mayor Dudley made a motion to the minutes from the month of April. Councilmember Celmer seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**

OLD OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Added Position – Mayor Dudley provided the list of duties for the added position created by Mr. White. Councilmember Hudson suggested planning another meeting to further discuss the position.
- LV Sign on Tannehill Pkwy – Councilmember Johnson discussed the two quoted prices for the sign installation. Councilmember Johnson made the motion to accept the quote

from Cockrell for $375.00. Councilmember Celmer seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**

- LVPD New Recruit Min. Physical Fitness Policy – Mayor Dudley provided information on the policy. Mayor Dudley made a motion to adopt the new physical fitness standards. Councilmember Celmer seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**
- Outstanding Warrant Policy – Mayor Dudley discussed the policy and its revisions.
- Steam Cleaning Municipal Complex – Mayor Dudley provided information gathered by Mrs. Grammer regarding power washing the building and discussed the quotes provided to do the job. Council discussed the need for the service. Councilmember Celmer made a motion to move forward with Crystal Clear Plus with a note that the sidewalk will be done at a later day and the price should be reflected accordingly. Councilmember Hudson seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**
- Police Vehicle Changeover – Mayor Dudley discussed the quote from Dana Safety to move equipment from one vehicle to the Tahoe. The cost for the equipment transfer is $2102.85. Mayor Dudley made a motion to approve the expenditure for Dana Safety to have the equipment transferred at the cost quoted. Councilmember Dudley seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**
- AMIC Insurance - Mayor Dudley discussed the difference in policy cost and the details of each. The Council discussed the difference in cost. Councilmember Celmer made a motion to accept the Limited Coverage Law Enforcement Option for $3500.00 with AMIC. Councilmember Dudley seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**

NEW BUSINESS:

- Toys 4 Tots- Councilmember Celmer stated that the Toys 4 Tots campaign has begun and he would like the City's permission to place a box in City Hall, as well as other locations around the city. Mayor Dudley made a motion that from now until November 2029 that the City allows Councilmember Celmer to place the boxes at City Hall. Councilmember Johnson seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**
- Anonymous Letter- Mayor Dudley presented an anonymous letter that was sent to the City regarding cutting grass in an area that is not within the City's limits. Councilmember Hudson invited the author of the letter to come to the work sessions and council meetings each month.
- Jail Contracts – Mayor Dudley provided details of the latest jail contract from Tuscaloosa County and the reason for the rate increases. The City Attorney provided some items that should be discussed. Mayor Dudley asked the Council to review the contract letter for later discussion. The Council discussed other potential options. Mayor Dudley introduced the resolution provided by the City Attorney that authorizes the City of Lake View to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement for Jail Services with the Tuscaloosa Commission and the Sheriff of Tuscaloosa County. Councilmember Johnson made a motion to adopt Resolution 0109242026 Authorizing the City of Lake View, Alabama to

enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement for Jail Services with the Tuscaloosa County Commission and the Sheriff of Tuscaloosa County. **The motion passed unanimously.**

- RFQ Saferoom – Mayor Dudley provided updates on the Saferoom build and informed that the City must advertise for a Request for Qualifications in the paper. Mayor Dudley made a motion to approve advertisement of Request for Qualifications for the Qualifications to be submitted by October 14, 2026, at 2:00pm. Councilmember Celmer seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**
- Social Media Policy 2026- Mayor Dudley provided an updated version of the Social Media Policy for the City of Lake View. Council discussed the Social Media Policy. Mayor Dudley made a motion to adopt the 2026 version of the City of Lake View's Social Media Policy. **The motion passed unanimously.**

COMMITTEES AND BOARDS:

A. Budget & Finance Committee – Mayor Dudley stated the committee had not met recently but will resume work on the next year's budget possible next month.
B. Board of Adjustments – Councilmember Hudson stated there were no new updates.
C. Planning & Zoning – Councilmember Dudley stated that the committee met and are currently working on updating the Planning and Zoning regulation, subdivision regulations and the zoning ordinance.
D. GUSC -Mrs. Dudley stated did meet but there is nothing new to report and the committee will meet next month.
E. Police Relations – Councilmember Celmer stated that the committee did not have an update. Mayor Dudley and Councilmember Celmer encouraged others to get involved in police relations. This would bring the residents and the police department together to help find ways to improve the perceptions of the Police department and reduce some of the negative views of the department.

MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER BUSINESS/COMMENTS:

Rosalyn Dudley: No comments

Ben Hudson: No comments.

Dan Celmer: Encouraged everyone to volunteer for Toys 4 Tots. Contact information will be provided on the City's sites.

Eloise Johnson: No comments.

Mayor Dudley: Discussed the lights on Hwy 216, Alabama Power has identified that there may be 18 lights in our area and they are working to get those lights changed to LED lights for better illumination. The Mayor also discussed the reports that are due each year specifically Rebuild Alabama.

NEXT SCHEDULED SESSION:

The next regular Work Session meeting is scheduled for October 8, 2026, at 6:00pm and the next City Council meeting is scheduled for October 22, 2026, at 6:00pm.

Adjournment: Mayor Dudley made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Johnson seconded the motion. **Meeting adjourned at 7:02pm.**

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ATTEST:

Tawana Witherspoon, City Clerk