

AUGUST 3RD, 2026
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LAKE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
406 COURT STREET
LAKE CITY, AR

A regular council meeting of the Lake City Council was brought to order by the honorable Mayor Cameron Tate. The meeting opened with a prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

The roll called and the following council members answered their names: BRENDA HUTCHESON, JASON GARNER, KASEY EAKINS, HARMONY CASH, JAKE EMERY, JAY DAVIS. The meeting continued with the above members and the city clerk Lisa Sitz present.

GUESTS; Daniel Haynes, Rick Davis, Hunter Timms, Cole Winford, Lisa Weaver, Karen Eakins, Lauren Smith, Misty Cole, Bryan & Kate Wells, Ron Nunnally, Blake Davis, Ted Qualls, Kenny Qualls, Kerrie & Jennifer Stone, Josh Barnes, Ken Grimes, Garrett Grimes, Eddie & Lori Bounds. Jon Milligan, Paul McAnally, T-Bird

A motion by Councilmember Hutcheson and seconded by Councilmember Eakins to accept the minutes from the last meeting held June 15, 2026. Motion passed (6/0).

Mayor Tate discussed the financials & liabilities of the city.

Lisa Weaver addressed the council on emergency responses, and emergency response times. Mrs. Weaver discussed possibilities with the council for making response times quicker and more efficient. The city ask Mayor Tate to explore all possibilities and costs to improve this issue.

A motion by Councilmember Hutcheson and seconded by Councilmember Davis to have city clerk read Resolution 2026-08-03 by title only. Motion passed (6/0).

A motion by Councilmember Eakins and seconded by Councilmember Emery to pass Resolution 2026-08-03, Delta Regional Authority Award for the Lake City Water System. Motion passed (6/0).

The city has hired Tosha Laird as a full-time water clerk. Her start date is August 10, 2026. A motion by Councilmember Hutcheson and seconded by Councilmember Davis to set Tosha Laird's salary at \$14.00/hr. Motion passed (6/0).

Tornado siren is mounted and in the process of being wired by Radio Communications. Should be up and going in 2 weeks.

Mayor Tate discussed re-directing a percentage of sales tax to public safety. He told the council that it would be something that had to be placed on the ballot.

A new account for the police department is needed. A motion by Councilmember Garner and seconded by Councilmember Eakins to open a new account for the police department. The name on the account will be Act287G-grant. Motion passed (6/0).

Bryan Wells addressed the council and explained the Arkansas Community Assistance Grant application for the fire department. He explained some of the renovations that are needed at the fire station. The fire department will be applying for this grant. It is a matching grant. A motion by Councilmember Hutcheson and seconded by Councilmember Garner to pass Resolution 2026-08-03b. Motion passed (6/0).

A motion by Councilmember Hutcheson and seconded by Councilmember Davis to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.

CAMERON TATE, MAYOR

LISA SITZ, CITY CLERK/TREASURER