

City of Vance Council Meeting Agenda
January 5th, 2026

- 1. Call to Order- Mayor Morrison**
- 2. Prayer-Dianne Averett**
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 4. Roll Call:**
- 5. Approval of Agenda:**
- 6. Motion to Dispense with the Reading of the Minutes:**
- 7. Approval of Minutes from December 15th, 2025:**
- 8. Pay Bills:**
- 9. Treasurer Report:**
- 10. Public Comment:**
- 11. Mayor's Report:**
- 12. Attorney's Report (Scott Hickman): Business license**
- 13. Police Report (Chief Graham):**
- 14. Park and Recreation Report (Debbie Minor): Ideas for utilizing the park (Andy).**
- 15. Hostess Committee (Ginger Turner):**
 - Spring Fling April 11th, 2026**
 - Glow Party October 10th, 2026**
 - Tree Lighting November 29th, 2026**
 - Breakfast With Santa December 5th, 2026**
 - Safety Meeting December 7th, 2026**
- 16. Beautification Report (Ginger Turner):**
- 17. Fire District, Etc. (Dianne Averett/Jeff Parker):**
- 18. Grant Information (Andy LaGrone):**
- 19. Council Concerns:**
- 20. New Business:**
 - a. Transportation Plan Update-**
- 21. Old Business:**
- 22. Next meeting will be Tuesday, January 20th (due to holiday) at 6 pm at the Vance City Hall.**
- 23. Adjourn**

01052026 Council Meeting Minutes

City of Vance Council Meeting Minutes January 5, 2026

Call to Order was made by Mayor Brenda Morrison at 6:00pm at a regularly scheduled council meeting held at the Vance City Hall. Members present were Mayor Brenda Morrison; Council Members Dianne Averett, Ginger Turner, Donna McDaniel and Andy LaGrone. Others present were City Attorney Scott Hickman, Chief of Police Tommy Graham, and City Clerk Tracy Burt.

All were led in a word of prayer by Council member Ginger Turner.

All were led in the Pledge of Allegiance by Mayor Brenda Morrison.

Roll Call

Council Member Debbie Minor was absent.

Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Council Member Ginger Turner to approve the meeting agenda. This motion was seconded by Council Member Donna McDaniel, upon being put to a vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motion to Dispense with the Reading of the Minutes

A motion was made by Council Member Donna McDaniel to dispense with the reading of the minutes. This motion was seconded by Council Member Ginger Turner, upon being put to a vote the motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Council Meeting Minutes of December 15, 2025

A motion was made by Council Member Dianne Averett to approve the Council Meeting minutes of December 15, 2025. This motion was seconded by Council Member Ginger Turner, upon being put to a vote the motion passed unanimously.

Pay Bills

A motion was made by Council Member Donna McDaniel to pay the city's bills. This motion was seconded by Council Member Ginger Turner, upon being put to a vote the motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Mayor Morrison read the treasurer's report to all in attendance. A motion was made by Council Member Dianne Averett to approve the treasurer's report and file it for audit. This motion was seconded by Council Member Donna McDaniel, upon being put to a vote the motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment- None

Mayor's Report- Mayor Morrison read the mayor's report to all in attendance. (See attached).

Attorney's Report- No Report

Police Report- Chief Graham stated that their new patrol unit would be picked up tomorrow.

Park and Recreation Report

Council Member Debbie Minor was absent however Council Member Andy LaGrone discussed a few items as fundraisers for the park, Mayor Morrison thanked him and stated that he needed to bring those before the park board because they were all wonderful ideas. (See Attached)

Hostess Committee- Ginger Turner

Council Member Ginger Turner stated her committee will be meeting on Wednesday. General discussion then was held on possible upcoming events including possible additional events for the 250 Bicentennial. General discussion followed.

Beautification Report- Ginger Turner- No report.

Fire District Fire Department/ Miscellaneous-

Vance Fire District Board President Jeff Parker stated many good things have happened, the fire trucks are now repaired, he has spoke to many community businesses regarding the increase in rates and general discussion on firefighter benefits.

Grant Information- No report

Council Concerns

- a. Council Member Ginger Turner stated more trash cans were needed at the park near the playground area and that benches would be nice as well near the playground area. Unanimous consent was to reach out to Johnny Avertt to discuss this idea further.

New Business

- a. **Transportation Plan Update-** A motion was made by Council Member Ginger Turner to approve the transportation Plan Update as presented. This motion was seconded by Council Member Dianne Averett, upon being put to a vote the motion passed unanimously.

Old Business- None

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, January 20, 2026, at 6:00pm at Vance City Hall due to the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday.

Adjourn

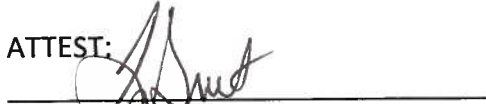
A motion was made by Council Member Donna McDaniel to adjourn the Council meeting at 7:20 pm. This motion was seconded by Council Member Andy LaGrone, upon being put to a vote the motion passed unanimously.

Adjourned at 7:20 pm.



Mayor Brenda Morrison

ATTEST:



City Clerk Tracy Burt

Mayor's Comments: 01-05-2026

Sewer Repairs-Everything continues to go well with the sewer system.

Sidewalk Grant- I emailed Daniel Price on 12/30 and asked about streetlights. He has not responded as of yet. *Street lights are in.*

ATRIP II Project with Mercedes-I received an email concerning this project this morning. There are 3 options ALDOT is looking at for repairs. Each option requires more money. I have asked Draper McMillian to help make the decision about which option would work best. Draper is an engineer that has helped me and Mercedes thru this project thus far. Draper said he would meet with the ALDOT folks to make this determination. Once I find out how much money is involved I will reach out to Mercedes for reimbursement.

Tingle Tangle Road Repairs-The county has started the repairs on Tingle Tangle Road.

Camera System-Phillip had a family emergency in Texas and hopes to finish up the cameras by the end of the month.

Flock Cameras-The cameras are slowly going up.

Mitigating Wetlands at the Park- I received the new permit information for my signature. I asked Robert had he reviewed it and he had some concerns about something TTL required. He will get this handled then I will sign it.

Here's the weekly update.

1. ROC Building Expansion – Revised drawings approved. Waiting for contractor to complete work.
2. Hwy 11 Chevron – Nothing to report..
3. Huerta Restaurant – Certificate of Occupancy issued. Health dept passed ready to open.
4. Triumph Church Sanctuary - Contractor continues finish work inside.

5. Batting Cage- Waiting on price from Mike Gamble.
6. Vance Elementary School Security Vestibule- Waiting on the next inspection.
7. Vance Mini Storage – Concrete to be poured and metal building delivered.
8. Delta utilities – Framing starting next week.

Generator for Fire Department/Activity Center-Will get price after we do the expansion. . **(NO UPDATE)**

SSUT Resolution-We have received notice that over 140 cities have joined the county commissioners across the state to support their fight to have the lawsuit dismissed by the City of Tuscaloosa and others.

Activity Center Expansion-I called Robert Nelson 12/3/2025 and asked him to include in the drawing a new bunk room for the fire fighters and an area for storage. I emailed you the first design he did for the expansion. What are your thoughts on this? . **(NO UPDATE)**

Rushing Property-Per council we will wait to see what is decided about the non-jurisdictional ruling on wetlands before moving forward on this property.

Business Licenses & Sewer Rate Increases-Business License was last updated 2008 and the sewer has not had an increase since 2020, and it was very little then. Robert has told me more than once that we are way behind other cities on our sewer rates, especially with our system being almost 30 years old. We will vote on this in new business if you all agree to give me permission to do a study on an increase for business licenses and sewer rates. Minimum rate for sewer is \$19.75 plus **(NO UPDATE)**

Transportation Plan Update 2026-This is the transportation plan we adopt every fall and we are required to update it the following January. We only have to put it on our website and post it in the city. We aren't required to send it anywhere else. We will vote on this in new business.

Repaving of Municipal Drive and Parking Lot Around City Hall-I

have asked the county to give us a price for repaving Municipal Drive and the parking lot around city hall. Once I get the bid I will bring it to you all for discussion and a vote. We can use Capitol Improvement money for this.

Treasurer's Report January 5, 2026

Court

Corrections	\$	45,158.48
Court General	\$	19,439.54

Development Funds

Capital Improvement Fund	\$	73,098.41
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Gas Tax

4 Cent Gas Tax	\$	33,171.12
7 Cent Gas Tax	\$	25,961.98
10 Cent Gas Tax	\$	115,330.94

Sewer

Sales Tax	\$	4,201,798.53
Sewer Impact	\$	35,534.49
GUSC	\$	450,100.02

Town Boards and Accounts

Park and Recreation	\$	52,222.79
General Funds	\$	545,072.84
Savings Account	\$	3,496,834.52

Total Funds	\$	9,093,723.66
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Mayor_____

Council_____

TOWN OF VANCE GENERAL FUND
General Ledger
For the Period From Dec 15, 2025 to Jan 4, 2026

Filter Criteria includes: 1) IDs: Multiple IDs; 2) Journal is Cash Disbursements Journal. Report order is by ID. Report is printed with shortened descriptions and with Hide Period Subtotals on Multi-Period Report and in Detail Format.

Account ID Account Description	Date	Reference	Jrnl	Trans Description	Debit Amt	Credit Amt
100 CASH GENERAL	12/16/25	23508	CDJ	BARRY FALLS		572.60
	12/16/25	23509	CDJ	S.SCOTT HICKMA		1,305.00
	12/16/25	23510	CDJ	ALABAMA POWE		2,409.37
	12/16/25	23511	CDJ	XEROX BUSINES		909.48
	12/16/25	23512	CDJ	BROOKWOOD HI		250.00
	12/16/25	23513	CDJ	BARRY FALLS		105.00
	12/17/25	23514	CDJ	BARRY FALLS		35.00
	12/22/25	23530	CDJ	FUSION CLOUD S		35.86
	12/22/25	23531	CDJ	XEROX BUSINES		889.40
	12/22/25	23532	CDJ	ALABAMA MUNICI		20.00
	12/22/25	23533	CDJ	PITNEY BOWES G		206.31
	12/22/25	23534	CDJ	SPIRE		625.29
	12/29/25	23541	CDJ	TRACY BURT		50.00
	12/29/25	23542	CDJ	ANNA M. SWINDL		50.00
	12/29/25	23543	CDJ	SHELBY R.YANCE		50.00
	12/29/25	23544	CDJ	WILLIAM T. GRAH		50.00
	12/29/25	23545	CDJ	CHRISTOPHER D.		50.00
	12/29/25	23546	CDJ	PATRICK FARRIS		50.00
	12/29/25	23547	CDJ	JACOB FREE		50.00
	12/29/25	23548	CDJ	ELIJAH SELLERS		50.00
	12/29/25	23549	CDJ	BARRY FALLS		25.00
	12/29/25	23550	CDJ	JOHNNY AVERET		50.00
	12/29/25	23551	CDJ	JONATHAN LAWR		50.00
	12/29/25	23552	CDJ	PATRICK FARRIS		121.09
	12/29/25	23553	CDJ	SUSAN JOHNSON		4,700.00
	12/29/25	23554	CDJ	WILL AVERETT		300.00
	12/29/25	23555	CDJ	CHRISTOPHER D. Change		103.62 13,113.02
105 SALES TAX ACCOUN	12/29/25	10350	CDJ	ERIC NEWELL		50.00
	12/29/25	10351	CDJ	THOMAS SELF		50.00
	12/29/25	10352	CDJ	RANDALL SEAGL Change		50.00 150.00
110 MUNICIPAL COURT	12/16/25	3431	CDJ	TRACY BURT		33.60
	12/22/25	3432	CDJ	BJ TINGLE		532.00
	12/22/25	3433	CDJ	BJ TINGLE Change		1,946.00 2,511.60

Pending expenditures January 5, 2026

General Funds:

Evergreen Church road	\$ 60,000.00
TAP Grant	\$ 150,000.00
Logan Farms street repairs	\$ 289,020.00
Fire Dept. road	\$ 25,000.00 remaining

General Funds Total:	\$ 524,020.00
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Sales Tax:

Sales Tax Total:	\$ -
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Capital Improvement:

Capital Improvement Total:	\$ -
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Sewer impact:

Sewer impact total:	\$ -
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Park and Rec:

Park and Rec total:	\$ -
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Gas tax:

Tingle Tangle Road	\$ 42,100.00
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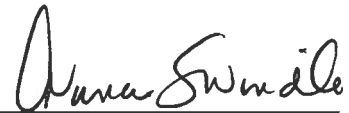
\$42,100.00

Gas tax total:	
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FY 26 TRANSPORTATION PLAN UPDATE
FOR
REBUILD ALABAMA ACT (NO 2019-2)
ATTACHMENT TO RESOLUTION NO 0903 2024

Evergreen Church Road (resurfacing-FY 23 Obligation, Cooperative with Tuscaloosa County Public Works)	\$60,000.00
Tingle Tangle Road repairs	\$42,100.00
Total Obligation Transportation Projects (RAA Funds)	\$102,100.00
Total RAA funds as of 1/5/2026	\$174,464.04

Prepared by: _____



Anna Swindle
Asst. City Clerk
1/5/2026

The goal was to create sponsorships that are...

- Affordable for local businesses
- Fairly priced based on actual exposure (These are off the cuff amounts so they could go up or down)
- Attractive enough to maybe encourage multi-year commitments??

Batting Cage Sponsorship (potential \$900/year total)

- \$300 per cage

We have the 3 new (or soon to-be-completed) batting cages but they'll receive lower foot traffic and limited gameday visibility. Pricing reflects that reality while still giving businesses consistent practice time exposure.

Dugout Sponsorship (potential \$4,800/year total)

- \$600 per dugout
- 8 total dugouts across 4 fields

Dugouts offer strong visibility during games and practices and are seen repeatedly by families, players, and spectators throughout the season. Pricing is positioned to reflect higher exposure without putting it out of reach for small local businesses.

Outfield Fence Sponsorship (potential \$93,750/year total **IN A PERFECT WORLD**)

- \$750 per banner (4 fields available)

Outfield banners provide the most consistent gameday exposure and are visible for the entire season.

Multi-Year Sponsorship Incentive

To encourage stability and longer term partnerships

- 10% (or more) off Year 2 if sponsorship is maintained without lapse
- 20% (or more) off Year 3

This maybe helps reduce looking for new sponsors every year and gives us more predictable funding year over year???

Pay it Forward