



City of Lawton

City Council

Lawton City Hall
212 SW 9th Street
Lawton, Oklahoma
73501-3944

Special Meeting Agenda Swearing In Ceremony

Monday, January 12, 2026

10:00 AM

Lawton City Hall
Wayne Gilley Auditorium

Meeting Called to Order with Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

"Official action can be taken only on items which appear on the agenda. The Council may adopt, approve, ratify, deny, defer, recommend, or continue any agenda item. The Council may also propose and enact floor amendments to any matter presented before them. When more information is needed to act on an item, the Council may refer the matter to the City Manager or the City Attorney. The Council may also refer items to standing committees of the Council or a board, commission, or authority for additional study. Under certain circumstances, items are deferred to a specific later date or stricken from the agenda entirely."

Roll Call

Business Items

1. Comments- Current Administration
2. Presentation of Services Plaques to Exiting Councilmembers
3. Declare Current Administration to Cease- Mayor Stan Booker
4. Administration of Constitutional and Statutory Oaths of Office- Municipal Court Judge Nathan Johnson
5. Declare New Administration to Begin- Mayor Stan Booker
6. Roll Call- New Administration
7. Comments- New Administration

Adjournment

The City of Lawton encourages participation from all of its citizens. If participation at any public meeting is not possible due to a disability, notification to the City Clerk at (580) 581-3305 at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting is encouraged to make the necessary accommodations. The City may waive the 48 hour rule if interpreters for the deaf (signing) is not the necessary accommodation."

Item Title:

Comments- Current Administration

Initiator: Donalynn Blazek-Scherler, City Clerk

Information Source: Councilmembers

Background:

This item allows members of the outgoing administration to offer closing remarks as they complete their term of service. Comments may include reflections on accomplishments, acknowledgments of staff and community partners, and expressions of appreciation to constituents.

Correlation to the True North Statement:

A Community of Choice Where Families Thrive

Exhibit:

None

Key Issues:

N/A

Funding Source:

N/A

Recommended Action:

Comments Only. No Action

ATTACHMENTS:

None

Item Title:

Presentation of Services Plaques to Exiting Councilmembers

Initiator: Donalynn Blazek-Scherler, City Clerk

Information Source: Stan Booker, Mayor

Background:

Mayor Stan Booker will present service plaques to the outgoing City Councilmembers in recognition of their dedication and contributions to the City of Lawton. These plaques are a formal expression of appreciation for their years of leadership, decision-making, and commitment to advancing the community's interests. This presentation serves as an opportunity for the City to publicly honor their service, acknowledge the work completed during their term, and thank them for their efforts on behalf of the citizens of Lawton.

Correlation to the True North Statement:

A Community of Choice Where Families Thrive

Exhibit:

None

Key Issues:

N/A

Funding Source:

N/A

Recommended Action:

Presentation Only. No action needed.

ATTACHMENTS:

None

Item Title:

Declare Current Administration to Cease- Mayor Stan Booker

Initiator: Donalynn Blazek-Scherler, City Clerk

Information Source: Stan Booker, Mayor

Background:

Mayor Booker will formally declare the conclusion of the current administration, a procedural requirement to ensure a clear transition of authority. This declaration signifies the official end of the preceding councilmembers' terms prior to administering new oaths of office.

Correlation to the True North Statement:

Transparency and Trust

Exhibit:

N/A

Key Issues:

N/A

Funding Source:

N/A

Recommended Action:

Declaration Only. No action needed.

ATTACHMENTS:

None

Item Title:

Administration of Constitutional and Statutory Oaths of Office- Municipal Court Judge Nathan Johnson

Initiator: Donalynn Blazek-Scherler, City Clerk

Information Source: Judge Nathan Johnson

Background:

Municipal Court Judge Nathan Johnson will administer the Oath of Office to the newly elected councilmembers in accordance with Oklahoma constitutional and statutory provisions. This step certifies each elected official's eligibility to assume office and fulfills all legal requirements for the start of their term.

Correlation to the True North Statement:

Transparency and Trust

Exhibit:

Oaths of Office

Key Issues:

N/A

Funding Source:

N/A

Recommended Action:

Administration of Oaths.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Loyalty Oath
2. Oklahoma Title 51- Officers

**Oklahoma Secretary of State, instructions for completing and filing
the LOYALTY OATH required by Oklahoma Statutes, Title 51, § 36.2A and § 36.3**

Instructions for completing the form:

1. Type and print legibly in black ink. The typed and printed text **MUST** be dark enough to be detected by a photo copier and electronic document scanner.
2. Notary Public's official seal **MUST** also be affixed in such a manner so that it too, can be detected by a photo copier and electronic document scanner.
3. After the oath has been administered, affiant and notarial officer must fully execute and complete each section of the form as indicated (notes are provided for guidance).
4. Once filed this form will be public record and available for public view. Please **do not** add or write any personal information, such as a home address, social security number, personal phone numbers or emails, etc.

Where to submit and file your completed Loyalty Oath form:

- **APPOINTED State officers*** please double check with your appointing authority for instructions on submission of this form. Each appointing authority will have their own specific process for submission and filing of a completed Loyalty Oath form.
- **ELECTED State officers*** please submit your executed Loyalty Oath form to the Oklahoma Secretary of State office for filing.
- **STATE EMPLOYEES** (not elected or appointed) Loyalty Oath forms must be filed with the personnel officer of the state entity employing the state employee. Contact your personnel office for instructions.
- **COUNTY officers** shall be filed with the office of the county clerk of the county of official residence of the officer. All other employees shall be filed with the office of the county clerk of the county in which the entity employing the employee is located. For questions and records regarding oaths for County level officials and employees please contact the County Clerk's office.
- **MUNICIPAL judges and officers** or employees OR **SCHOOL DISTRICT officers** or employees shall be filed in the office of the municipal clerk of the municipality OR in the office of the school clerk of the school district for which the officer or employee serves OR by which the officer or employee is employed. For questions and records regarding oaths for Municipal & School District level officials and employees please contact the Office of the Municipal Clerk OR the Office of the School Clerk.

*NOTE: For State Officers ONLY -- unless otherwise instructed by your appointing authority, please mail-in or deliver in person your executed, original Loyalty Oath to the Oklahoma Secretary of State office.

**Oklahoma Secretary of State office
Attn: Executive Legislative Services
2300 N. Lincoln Blvd.
State Capitol Building, Ste. 122
Oklahoma City, OK 73105**

email: executivelegislative@sos.ok.gov / phone: 405-522-4355

LOYALTY OATH

(Okla. Statutes, Title 51 § 36.2A)

I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America and the Constitution and the laws of the State of Oklahoma, and that I will faithfully discharge, according to the best of my ability, the duties of my office or employment during such time as I am

Lawton City Council member, and as a Trustee of the Lawton Urban Homesteading Agency, Lawton Parking Authority, Lawton Transit Trust Authority, and the Lawton Water Authority

****Insert official title of Affiant (e.g., member, Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission OR if an employee, insert "An Employee of _____" followed by the complete designation of the employing, agency, authority, commission, etc.) to the best of my ability.**

Affiant Signature

State of **Oklahoma** _____

County of **Comanche**

Signed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me on this _____ day of _____, _____
(day) (month) (year)

by _____
(affiant's name must be stated here, print clearly)

*Signature of the Notary Public OR
other Notarial Officer*

Commission Expires: _____

Commission Number: _____

Official seal of notary public

*IF a Notarial Officer (not a Notary Public)
please provide Title and Rank (51 O.S. §21)*



Title 51. Officers **Oklahoma Statutes Citationized** **Title 51. Officers** **Chapter 1 - General Provisions** **Oath or Affirmation as to Membership in, or Affiliation with, Prohibited Organizations** **Section 36.2A - Form of Loyalty Oath or Affirmation**

Cite as: O.S. §, ___

The oath or affirmation required by this act, same being cumulative to the oath of office required by Section 1 of Article XV of the Oklahoma Constitution, shall be as follows:

I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America and the Constitution and the laws of the State of Oklahoma, and that I will faithfully discharge, according to the best of my ability, the duties of my office or employment during such time as I am _____

(Here put name of office, or, if an employee, insert "An Employee Of _____" followed by the complete designation of the employing officer, agency, authority, commission, department or institution.)

Affiant

Subscribed and sworn to before me this ___ day of _____, ____.

Notary Public, or other officer authorized
to administer oaths or affirmations**Historical Data**

Laws 1968, HB 981, c. 260, § 1, emerg. eff. April 29, 1968; Amended by Laws 2004, SB 1269, c. 408, § 1, eff. November 1, 2004 ([superseded document available](#)).

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Cite Name	Level	
Oklahoma Attorney General's Opinions		
Cite	Name	Level
<u>2011 OK AG 6</u>	<u>Question Submitted by: The Honorable Andrew Rice, State Senate, District 46</u>	Discussed
<u>1991 OK AG 10</u>	<u>Question Submitted by: The Honorable Bill Graves, Oklahoma House of Representatives</u>	Cited
Oklahoma Supreme Court Cases		
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<u>1993 OK 162, 865 P.2d 1232, 65 OBJ 33</u>	<u>Hendrick v. Walters</u>	Cited

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Title 51. Officers		
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Item Title:

Declare New Administration to Begin- Mayor Stan Booker

Initiator: Donalynn Blazek-Scherler, City Clerk

Information Source: Stan Booker, Mayor

Background:

Following the administration of all oaths, Mayor Booker will formally declare the beginning of the new administration. This marks the official seating of the newly sworn-in councilmembers and the commencement of their duties.

Correlation to the True North Statement:

A Community of Choice Where Families Thrive

Exhibit:

N/A

Key Issues:

N/A

Funding Source:

N/A

Recommended Action:

Declaration Only. No action needed.

ATTACHMENTS:

None

Item Title:

Roll Call- New Administration

Initiator: Donalynn Blazek-Scherler, City Clerk

Information Source: Donalynn Blazek-Scherler, City Clerk

Background:

A roll call will be conducted to establish the official attendance of the newly seated councilmembers. This serves as the first recorded roll call of the new administration and confirms the council's readiness to conduct business moving forward.

Correlation to the True North Statement:

Transparency and Trust

Exhibit:

N/A

Key Issues:

N/A

Funding Source:

N/A

Recommended Action:

Conduct Roll Call.

ATTACHMENTS:

None

Item Title:

Comments- New Administration

Initiator: Donalynn Blazek-Scherler, City Clerk

Information Source: Councilmembers

Background:

Newly sworn-in officials will be invited to share comments as they begin their term of service. Remarks may include priorities for their ward, goals for the city, acknowledgments of supporters, and their commitment to serving the citizens of Lawton.

Correlation to the True North Statement:

A Community of Choice Where Families Thrive

Exhibit:

N/A

Key Issues:

N/A

Funding Source:

N/A

Recommended Action:

Comments Only. No action needed.

ATTACHMENTS:

None