

City of Lanett Meeting Minutes

401 N. Lanier Ave.
Lanett, AL 36863

Monday, August 15 2022

6:00 PM

Lanett Council Chambers

Regular Session -

The City Council of the City of Lanett, Alabama, met in a regular meeting on Monday, August 1, 2022, in the Council Chambers of the Lanett Municipal Complex at 6:00 P.M.

Council members present were Tony Malone, Tifton Dobbs and Angelia Thomas. Mayor Heard presided over the meeting.

Rev. Rodney Jones said the invocation and Mayor Heard led the pledge of allegiance.

Councilmember Malone made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Councilmember Thomas seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

Councilmember Tucker made the motion to approve the minutes of the August 1, 2022 Council Meeting. Councilmember Malone seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

Mayor Heard read the First Reading of Ordinance 08-22-01 to increase the issuance fee for Business Licenses. No Action was taken.

Approval of Invoices was motioned by Councilmember Autry and seconded by Councilmember Thomas. Motion unanimously carried.

Resolution 08-22-07 a Resolution for Professional and Technical Service was put in motion by Councilmember Malone and seconded by Councilmember Tucker. Motion unanimously carried. Allen Summers spoke on this resolution.

Resolution 08-22-08 a Resolution to continue Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program was put in motion by Councilmember Thomas and seconded by Councilmember Dobbs. Motion unanimously carried.

Resolution 08-22-09 Resolution to surplus various electronic items was put in motion by Councilmember Thomas and seconded by Councilmember Dobbs. Motion unanimously carried.

Resolution 08-22-10 Resolution to approve Job Description for Airport Manager was put in motion by Councilmember Thomas and seconded by Councilmember Dobbs. Motion unanimously carried.

Mayor Heard made the following appointments to the City of Lanett Planning Board: Jan Gagnon (district 4), Herschel Allen (district 4), Patsy Lewis (district 1) and Denise Zachary (district 1). There are 4 additional vacancies that the mayor will fill at a later date. The new appointees present received a packet of information.

Councilman Malone had no committee report.

Councilwoman Autry had no committee report. She stated that she was happy to see work going on in the city.

Councilman Tucker had no committee report. He also invited everyone to come out to see the Panthers play.

Councilwoman Thomas had no committee report.

Councilman Dobbs had no committee report. He thanked Chief Allen for the work at the Fountain.

Mayor Heard recognized Jeff Aston from Clearwater Solution who presented each member with a packet. Mr. Malone stated that we would have a work session to discuss their proposal.

Mayor Heard recognized Sandra Thornton, Lanett Senior Center Manager. Thornton updated the council on the happenings at the center. She stated that we serve 20 onsite, 51 homebound seniors and 12 frozen food pickups. She told of many events and programs that had taken place. Councilman Tucker asked about the citizens on the waiting list. Councilmember Thomas asked about the \$1500 allocated for repairs on seniors' homes.

Mayor Heard announced the names of applicants for the Police Chief position. They are Jameson Hamlin, Richard Carter, Richard Casner, Denise McCain, Steven Doyal, Stacy Shirey, Brad King and Willie Brown. He stated that the applications would be in the clerks' office if they wanted to look at them.

Mayor Heard also stated that the budget was currently being worked on and all department heads were asked for input. He stated additionally that we are hoping to approve a cost of living pay raise for employees. He stated that we have openings in our grass department. Mayor Heard also acknowledged the passing of Mr. Larry Motley who was married to former Councilwoman Shirley B. Motley.

Because the city attorney was absent Mayor Heard bypassed the scheduled Executive Session.

Councilman Tucker asked about the interview process for Police Chief and Airport Manager. Councilmember Thomas recognized the employees present and acknowledged that they indeed needed to be compensated for their hard work.

The members of the Planning Board were recognized. It was announced that Mayor Jamie Heard was re-elected to the board of AMEA.

Mayor Heard asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Thomas made a motion to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Councilmember Malone.

Mayor Heard stated that there being no further business to come before this council, motion duly made, the meeting adjourned.

Attest:

Jamie L. Heard, Mayor

Deborah Gilbert, City Clerk/Treasurer