

City of Lanett

Meeting Minutes

401 N. Lanier Ave.
Lanett, AL 36863

Tuesday, September 16, 2024, 6:00 PM

Lanett Council Chambers

Regular Session -

The City Council of the City of Lanett, Alabama, met in a regular meeting on Monday, September 16, 2024, in the Council Chambers of the Lanett Municipal Complex at 6:00 P.M.

Council members present were Tony Malone, Tamalita Autry, Tifton Dobbs, and Ronnie Tucker. Angelia Finley Thomas was absent. Mayor Jamie Heard presided over the meeting.

Chief Jamie Heard said the invocation and Mayor Heard led the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Heard asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Councilmember Malone made the motion which was seconded by Tucker. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Autry made the motion to approve the minutes of the September 3, 2024, Council Meeting. Councilmember Dobbs seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

At this time, Code Enforcement Officer Johnny Wood conducted a Public Hearing. The purpose of the hearing was to hear interested parties pertaining to dilapidated houses at 822 S. 12th Street and 509 N. 10th Avenue.

Approval of Invoices was motioned by Councilmember Tucker and seconded by Councilmember Dobbs. Motion unanimously carried.

Mayor Heard asked for a motion to approve the Second Reading of Ordinance 09-24-01 establishing the use of Electronic Vote Counters for 2025 Election. The motion was made by Councilmember Malone and seconded by Councilmember Dobbs. Motion unanimously carried.

Mayor Heard announced the First Reading of Ordinance 09-24-02, an ordinance to Annex Airport property into the city. No action was taken.

Resolution 09-24-01 to Approve the 2034 Comprehensive Plan was motioned by Councilmember Malone. Councilmember Autry seconded the motion. Motion carried. Planning Commission member Charles Bagley read the resolution as well as discussed, the plan.

Resolution 09-24-02 for a dilapidated house belonging to Donald Taylor was motioned by Councilmember Tucker. Councilmember Autry seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

Resolution 09-24-04 for a dilapidated house belonging to James Burton was motioned by Councilmember Malone. Councilmember Tucker seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

Resolution 09-24-05 to approve the 2025 Budget was read by Councilmember Autry and put in motion by Councilmember Tucker. Councilmember Autry seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

Resolution 09-24-06 for a Police and Fire Department Pay Grade Change was read by Councilmember Autry and was motioned by Councilmember Tucker. Councilmember Autry seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

Resolution 09-24-07 to renew the AMIC Property and Liability Insurance was read by Councilmember Autry and was motioned by Councilmember Malone. Councilmember Tucker seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

Resolution 09-24-08 for authorization to proceed with repairs to the water main located at property at 401 First Street owned by Carmen Davis, was read by Councilmember Autry. Mayor Heard asked for a motion, which was given by Councilmember Malone. Councilmember Dobbs seconded the motion. Councilmember Malone asked for a Roll Call Vote. The results were as follows: Malone = No, Autry = No, Dobbs = Abstained, Tucker = No, Heard = No. Motion Failed.

Resolution 09-24-09 to accept Alabama Tourism Grant for the Recreation Department was read by Councilmember Autry and put in motion by Councilmember Malone. Councilmember Tucker seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

Council Member Autry had no committee report. He read a thank you to the Planning Commission, Chris Busby, the Mayor, and Council for their work on the 2034 Comprehensive Plan and sited its advantages.

Council Member Autry had no committee report. She reminded everyone of the Lanett/Lafayette football game.

Council Member Tucker had no committee report. He stated that he had plans for a Neighborhood Watch program in District 3. He also thanked the water department for repairing a water break late at night in his district.

Council Member Dobbs had no committee report.

Council member Thomas was absent.

Mayor Heard stated that we were continuing to work on street paving, the current list consisted of eleven streets. He thanked all employees for doing a wonderful job with special thanks to the Fire and EMS. He also thanked the Restoration committee and encouraged all citizens to get involved. Heard thanked Reverend Henson for starting a Neighborhood Watch. He introduced the new City Inspector Mark Crowder and stated that we are still searching for an airport manager having received two applications today. He also thanked the council for approving the budget with a 3% increase for employees.

Mayor Heard asked for a motion to adjourn. Malone made the motion and Tucker seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

Attest:

Jamie L. Heard, Mayor

Deborah Gilbert, City Clerk/Treasurer