

City of Lanett Meeting Minutes

401 N. Lanier Ave.
Lanett, AL 36863

Monday, November 17, 2025, 6:00 PM

Lanett Council Chambers

Regular Session -

The City Council of the City of Lanett, Alabama, met in a regular meeting on Monday, November 17, 2025, in the Council Chambers of the Lanett Municipal Complex at 6:00 p.m.

Councilmembers present were Denise Zachery, Krisse Story, Brad Lynn, Charles Bagley, and Kim Roberts. Mayor Jamie Heard presided over the meeting.

Reverend Harold Henson said the invocation and Mayor Heard led the pledge of allegiance.

Councilmember Bagley made a motion to approve the agenda. Councilmember Roberts seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Story made the motion to approve the minutes of the November 3, 2025, Organizational Meeting. Bagley seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

A 2025 Governor's Award from Alabama PAL (People Against a Littering State) was presented to the Restoration Committee of Lanett, Alabama. Councilmember Bagley read the award and as joined by Councilmember Story and other committee members. They reminded everyone that there is a trash cleanup once a month, the next one being December 6th.

Approval of Invoices was motioned by Councilmember Bagley and seconded by Councilmember Story. Motion unanimously carried.

Resolution 11-25-03 to surplus the following items: vehicle at Rec/Senior Center, Chairs in Fire Department and Finance Department and Ice machines at Public Works and the Senior Center was put in motion by Councilmember Lynn and was seconded by Councilmember Bagley. Motion unanimously carried.

Resolution 11-25-04 to renew a Line of Credit at Auburn Bank was read by Councilmember Story and put in motion by Councilmember Roberts and was seconded by Councilmember Bagley. Motion unanimously carried.

Councilmember Lynn had questions about the interest rate. Story made a motion to table this resolution. Lynn seconded. Motion carried.

Resolution 11-25-05 authorizing Councilmember Krisse Story as additional check signer was read by Councilmember Bagley and put in motion by Councilmember Bagley and was seconded by Councilmember Lynn. Motion unanimously carried. Mayor Heard explained why this was necessary.

Resolution 11-25-06 a resolution intervening as a defendant in the Simplified Seller Use Tax (SSUT) Litigation was put in motion by Councilmember Lynn and was seconded by Councilmember Bagley. Motion unanimously carried.

Council Member Denise Zachery had no committee report for Police and School. She did state to the citizens of District 1 that when she ran for office her vision was keep trash cans off of the edge of the road, curbing that needs to be done, get streets paved, and keep Cherry Drive looking good. She stated that she gave the mayor a list of streets that need work. Zachery also asked for a meeting with the Fire Chief about hydrants and a meeting with the Housing Authority.

Council Member Krisse Story met with all department heads for the committee that she chairs, which includes Streets, Sewer, Water, Cemetery and Grounds. She stated that she now has a new appreciation for what they do. She toured the facilities and took them snacks. She stated that she received an update by the Cemetery Foreman Shannon Spradlin about the streets and curbing that had been done.

Council Member Brad Lynn gave a report on his committees, stating that in the Finance Department the Annual Financial Audit was currently taking place and hopefully would be complete in a couple of weeks. As for the Airport, he thanked manager Craig Stapleton and his crew who has made great progress. He gave an update on fuel sales. In October of 2024 we sold 3,000 gallons of fuel and it is almost 4,000 now. In September, we sold 3,500 gallons of fuel and 2,100 in August and once we get Jet fuel, the sales would be greater. He encouraged everyone to go out and visit the Airport.

Council Member Charles Bagley had an opportunity to meet with the departments that he chairs. He met with the members of the Fire Department, sharing his appreciation for what they do, stating that they are there when needed. As for the Recreation Department, he reported that the Girls Flag Football team won the championship for 12U. He stated that sixty kids had signed up for Basketball.

Council Member Kim Roberts had no committee report. She thanked District 5 for giving her the opportunity to serve them, stating that she wanted to make a difference. She stated that she had been out in the community and saw some needs.

She wanted to include the Fuller Center in fulfilling some of those needs. She asked for an update on Groundswell, stating that she saw on Facebook that they

were here. Mayor Heard said that the funds were still on hold, but the Groundswell group was here in Lanett on a road tour. She asked for further support of the Fuller Center through donations.

Electric/Gas Superintendent Allen Summers stated that in some areas, Christmas decorations have been put up in the city. He reminded everyone to be cautious around First Street where they are working on the gas lines through the PHMSA Grant. Summers stated we had a zoom call with Simple Grants for updates on the progress and on the phone with the gas engineer.

Cemetery and Grounds Head Bo Lauderdale asked for patience with the brush truck and stated that they were still cleaning up the right ways.

Street Superintendent Rockey Bolt said that they just finished the storm drain project on North 17th Court today and will start back paving South 3rd Street tomorrow and West Shawmut near the cemetery. He also stated that the dump truck had been down but had been repaired by Public Works.

D.J. McElvy with the Fire/EMS gave an update on their call volume for October. They received 224 EMS calls, thirty-seven transfers, forty-seven fire calls, thirteen accidents and six mutual aid calls.

Recreation Director Trent McCants introduced the Girls Flag Football Championship Team. Members of the team and Recreation Coach Maki Potts presented their Chairperson Councilman Charles Bagley with a medal for his support.

Police Chief McCain and her department held a food drive and presented families with food donations that were provided by the police officers. Food was taken to the Church of the Nazarene and Mt. Hermon Baptist Church. Some families were present to receive donations. Chief McCain also shared that we received an Alabama Power Grant for cameras and Tractor Supply has selected the police department and fire department to receive a Hometown Hero check for \$250 each. The department responded to 1315 calls last month.

City Clerk Gilbert gave a finance report to members of the council. She gave dates of closure for Thanksgiving and told of the upcoming Christmas Tree Lighting.

Mayor Heard thanked each department for all they do, stating that he often receives calls from citizens showing appreciation. He asked each council member

to provide him with a list of streets in their district that needed paving. He said that his goal is to do some in each district.

Heard asked for a motion to adjourn, which was given by Council member Bagley and seconded by Council member Lynn.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45

Attest:

Jamie L. Heard, Mayor

Deborah Gilbert, City Clerk/Treasurer