



City of Lanett

Meeting Minutes City Council

401 N. Lanier Ave.
Lanett, AL 36863

Wednesday, January 11, 2023,

6:00 PM

Lanett City Hall

Work Session -

The City Council of the City of Lanett, Alabama, met on Wednesday January 11, 2023, at the Lanett City Hall at 6:00 P.M.

Council members present were Tony Malone, Tamalita Autry, Ronnie Tucker, and Tifton Dobbs. Mayor Jamie Heard presided over the meeting, who opened the work session and welcomed everyone.

Mayor Heard recognized Chris Busby of the Chambers County Development Authority. Busby introduced the property owner, Tara Brumfield to speak with the members of council. Mrs. Brumfield started off by saying that she was not sure why she was even here. She stated that she asked to annex into the city with the understanding that she would get sewage as well. She stated that if she was annexed into the city, she would not agree to it if sewage was not included. She stated that she and her husband Paul had no problem staying in the county. She stated that they had purchased Papa Que BBQ and would open laundromat and strip mall. Dobbs asked if there was a projection of expected sales for the restaurant in the first year. Brumfield stated that she was unsure but at least \$70,000 - \$80,000. Busby stated that he had done some research and the cost of adding sewage would be approximately \$200 per foot and that there were 3 entry points: at the railroad tracks, the main entrance of the industrial park and at the Hampton Inn. Executive Director Valerie Gray suggested a compromise of the Development Authority hiring an engineer to get cost and ask the property owners to pay upfront with a scheduled rebate coming from the city. It was then determined by all parties not to annex until we get numbers.

Mayor Heard mentioned that we had only received a bid from our current garbage provider. None of the council members wanted to move forward and leaned toward the idea of rejecting the bid and re-bidding.

Mayor Heard stated that the city was losing a lot of water through leaks, and we need to look at purchasing new meters and have them installed.

Mayor Heard stated that on Saturday at 12:00 noon the Village would be giving away clothing at food at the Recreation Department and that the Children of West Shawmut would be providing food between 9:00-10:30.

Mayor Heard stating that our next meeting will be Thursday, January 19th, asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Tucker asked for the motion with Councilmember Dobbs offering a second.

Mayor Heard stated that there being no further business to come before this council, motion duly made, the meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

Attest:

Jamie Heard, Mayor

Deborah Gilbert, City Clerk/Treasurer