



City of Lanett

Meeting Minutes City Council

401 N. Lanier Ave.
Lanett, AL 36863

Monday, July 17, 2023,

5:00 PM

Lanett City Hall

Work Session -

The City Council of the City of Lanett, Alabama, met on Monday, July 17, 2023, at the Lanett City Hall at 5:00 P.M.

Council members present were Tony Malone, Tamalita Autry, Ronnie Tucker, and Angelia Thomas. Tifton Dobbs was absent. Mayor Pro-Tempore Angelia Thomas presided over the meeting, opened the work session, and welcomed everyone. Mayor Heard came into the meeting a few minutes after starting.

Thomas stated that the first discussion would be regarding Clearwater Solutions' contract. Council Member Tucker stated that we may not need to renew the contract. City Inspector Randall Aikens clarified that the concern was more for them to decide whether to renew the water distribution agreement and not the waste-water portion because the city employees are not qualified to operate the waste portion. He stated that either party could dissolve the agreement with a 120-day notice. He also stated that with the improvements currently taking place, the plant should be in decent shape by the end of the year.

There was a discussion about the outdated heating and air unit at city hall. It was agreed that we need to get some quotes on an updated system.

In the next discussion, it was stated that the police chief has received a quote of \$13,320 to remove rotted wood and replace the windows at the police department. This quote does not include the two windows in the courtroom.

The current web site will expire in August; therefore, the council needs to decide whether to update our current one or have a new one constructed. Council Member Malone stated that we need to make sure that someone from the city be the administrator to make changes.

The next discussion was concerning fees for Recreation use. Council Member Malone and Councilman Tucker asked Rec Director Trent McCants to discuss current fees and look at an increase in fees. Mayor Heard asked McCants to find out what other cities were charging. Purchasing helmets was discussed by the members of the council.

Street paving was discussed. Malone asked about a list or schedule of streets being paved. Mayor Heard explained that we do have a list, but available funds have been an issue. Heard did say that the streets that the city crew can do, we are working on it.

Council Member Malone discussed concerns about utilities being connected in the home-owner name and not the tenants. Thomas stated that she understands both sides being that she is a landlord in the private sector. It was determined that the landlord need to also make sure that the home (or apartment) be upgraded up to standard. Aikens stated that once the power is cut off, the house needs to always be inspected.

Mr. Malone mentioned Airport maintenance fees stating that other cities were charging this fee and we could do the same. Thomas stated that she had seen the runway lights from the highway, which was impressive.

Mayor Pro-Tempore Thomas stated that there being no further business to come before this council the meeting adjourned at 5:59 p.m.

Attest:

Jamie Heard, Mayor

Deborah Gilbert, City Clerk/Treasurer