

# City of Lanett Meeting Minutes

401 N. Lanier Ave.  
Lanett, AL 36863

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Monday, February 17, 2025, 6:00 PM

Lanett Council Chambers

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## **Regular Session -**

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

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

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

Councilmember Malone asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Councilmember Autry made the motion which was seconded by Thomas. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Tucker made the motion to approve the minutes of February 3, 2025, Council Meeting and February 11, 2025, Special Called Meeting Minutes. Councilmember Dobbs seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

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

During the Black History Month recognitions, Councilmember Autry read and presented plaques to Eddie Walton of Walton's Grocery and Janice Burton and Zonnie Henderson of Potts Beauty Shop. Mayor Heard joined her in the presentation.

For Community Impact Recognition Councilmember Malone and Mayor Heard read and presented certificates to Goodsell United Methodist Church (Rev. Kelsey Barnes present), First Baptist Church, First Christian Church, First United Methodist Church, Ebenezer Baptist Church (Deacon Curtis Lewis present), Spring Road Christian Church and West Point Presbyterian Church.

Councilmember Thomas read a Good Citizenship Award to Teranetta Staples who had assisted when a neighbor's house was on fire.

Ordinance 02-25-01 to increase the salary of Mayor (\$1,916.66 per month) and Council (\$1,375 per month) for incoming administration after election was read by Councilmember Autry. A motion was made by Councilmember Malone and seconded by Councilmember Autry. City Attorney explained that the council could suspend the rules. Malone made a motion to suspend the rules of a second reading and Tucker made the motion to second. Motion passed to allow immediate consideration. To accept the Ordinance Councilmember Autry made a motion which was seconded by Councilmember Thomas. Motion carried with no oppose.

Resolution 02-25-04, a resolution to surplus lights and sofa at the Nutrition Center was read by Councilmember Thomas and was put in motion by Councilmember Tucker and seconded by Councilmember Autry. Motion unanimously carried.

Resolution 02-25-05 a resolution to approve a three year lease for Blue Skies Flight School was read by Councilmember Autry and was put in motion by Councilmember Thomas and seconded by Councilmember Autry. Councilman Malone made a motion to table the Resolution until it could be discussed at a Work Session. Councilman Dobbs seconded the motion. It was carried to table the Resolution.

Resolution 02-25-06 a resolution to adopt the 2024 Annual Audit was read by Councilmember Autry and was put in motion by Councilmember Thomas and seconded by Councilmember Dobbs. Motion unanimously carried.

Resolution 02-25-07 a resolution to surplus items at the Lanett Regional Airport was read by Councilmember Thomas and put in motion by Tucker seconded by Councilmember Thomas. Motion unanimously carried.

Resolution 02-25-08, a resolution to approve Jet A Fuel Farm agreement with Rebel Services LLC was put in motion by Councilmember Thomas and seconded by Councilmember Dobbs. Airport Manager Craig Stapleton was asked to explain the need. Councilman Tucker made a motion to table the Resolution until it could be discussed at a Work Session. Councilman Malone seconded the motion. It was carried to table the Resolution.

Code Enforcement Officer Johnny Wood gave a report of cost associated with demolition and stated that there would be a Public Hearing prior to our next meeting.

Council Member Malone had no committee report. He thanked the churches that were recognized tonight.

Council Member Autry had no committee report. She thanked Mr. Walton, Ms. Burton and the Children of West Shawmut.

Council Member Tucker had no committee report. He congratulated everyone as well as the winners of the Lanett Rec Basketball team for their tournament win.

Council member Thomas had no committee report. She recognized Pastors Vernon and Valarie Carter from the Berean Church for all they have done for this community. She also thanked the city workers for working through the storms.

Council Member Dobbs had no committee report. He asked for prayer and gun education for the city since there had been two violent deaths recently. Tucker asked if the council could receive notification of crimes in the city.

Mayor Heard stated appreciation for the police department, commending them for making an arrest within an hour of one of the murders. He also congratulated and thanked those that were recognized tonight.

Mayor Heard asked for a motion to adjourn. Tucker made the motion and Thomas seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:44.

Attest:

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Jamie L. Heard, Mayor

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Deborah Gilbert, City Clerk/Treasurer