

City of Lanett Meeting Minutes

401 N. Lanier Ave.
Lanett, AL 36863

Monday, January 27, 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, January 27, 2025, in the Council Chambers of the Lanett Municipal Complex at 6:00 P.M.

Council members present were Tamalita Autry, Ronnie Tucker, and Angelia Finley Thomas. 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 Thomas made the motion which was seconded by Tucker. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Tucker made the motion to approve the minutes of January 6, 2025, Council Meeting. Councilmember Autry seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

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

Resolution 01-25-01 a resolution to approve a Professional Agreement with GMC for Entrance Road Land Acquisition was put in motion by Councilmember Tucker and seconded by Councilmember Thomas. Motion unanimously carried. Jordan Russell from GMC was present to discuss.

Resolution 01-25-01 a resolution to approve a Professional Agreement with GMC for Entrance Road Project Design was put in motion by Councilmember Thomas and seconded by Councilmember Autry. Motion unanimously carried. Jordan Russell from GMC was present to discuss.

The Rebuild Alabama Annual Report was read by Councilmember Autry. The Transportation Plan states that an estimated amount of \$55,000 will be spent on paving East 18th Street. The 2024 project status shows Revenue at \$66,181.69 and Expenses at \$94,434.80. South 15th Street is not complete due to weather conditions.

Council Member Malone was absent.

Council Member Autry had no committee report. She congratulated Chief Jamie Heard on his retirement.

Council Member Tucker had no committee report. He also congratulated Heard on his retirement.

Council member Thomas had no committee report. She congratulated Heard as well. She also stated that she would like for the city, through the Code Enforcement and City Attorney, to update Ordinances, especially regarding animal control. Mayor Heard asked Thomas to send him some Ordinances that she would like to start with.

Council Member Dobbs was absent.

Mayor Heard, along with the approval of the council, appointed Matt Shiver Interim Fire Chief and introduced him to everyone.

Mayor Heard thanked the various departments for working through the recent snowstorm. He stated that he visited the airport the past weekend to attend the Eagle Scouts flying program.

Richard Chapman gave a report on the Water Department. He let the council know about an issue on South 8th Avenue where there is a major water leak. He stated that we would need to hire a company to come in for repairs and we would also need to get a quote on an additional water tank.

Matt Shiver reported that the fire department received approximately 250 calls per month. He thanked everyone for staying off of the road during the snowstorm. He also introduced their new fire college graduate, Jeremy Conway.

Rockey Bolt with the street department stated that there were a lot of new projects coming up and waiting for better weather.

Bo Lauderdale stated that the Cemetery and Grounds department had also suffered due to bad weather.

Trent McCants from the Rec Department stated that Fall and Winter basketball had started. Approximately sixty-five children have signed up already.

Allen Summers with Electric and Gas stated that his department had lost a couple of transformers. Gas currently has a couple of projects they are working on. The

PYMSA project is still ongoing. He also stated that due to the cold weather we expected utility bills to be higher.

Police Chief Denise McCain thanked her officers for responding to over 40 calls during the snow. She also thanked the Fire Department for offering sleeping quarters for officers who could not get home during the snow. She stated that we only had 3 motor vehicle accidents during this time.

Mayor Heard offered condolences to the Greenwood family for the loss of Mr. Godfrey Greenwood who had recently passed at the age of 97.

Mayor Heard asked for a motion to adjourn. Thomas made the motion and Tucker seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:24.

Attest:

Jamie L. Heard, Mayor

Deborah Gilbert, City Clerk/Treasurer