

# City of Lanett Meeting Minutes

401 N. Lanier Ave.  
Lanett, AL 36863

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Monday, November 15, 2021

6:00 PM

Lanett Council Chambers

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## **Regular Session -**

The City Council of the City of Lanett, Alabama, met in regular session on Monday, November 15, 2021, in the Council Chambers of the Lanett Municipal Complex at 6:00 P.M.

Council members present were Tony Malone, Tamalita Autry, Angelia Thomas, Charles Looser and Tifton Dobbs. Mayor Heard presided over the meeting.

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

Councilmember Malone made the motion to adopt the prepared agenda. Councilmember Dobbs seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

Councilmember Thomas made the motion to approve the minutes of the November 1, 2021 Council Meeting and November 8, 2021 Work Session. Councilmember Autry seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

Mayor Heard and Trent McCants presented proclamations to Carly Dumas and asked for a motion for approval of Invoices. Councilmember Thomas made the motion for approval of Invoices. Councilmember Dobbs seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried. Attorney Gray stated that there was a late addition to the invoices.

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

Resolution 11-21-02 a resolution authorizing the addition of Tifton Dobbs to the signers on all city bank accounts was put into motion by Councilmember Looser and seconded by Councilmember Autry. Motion unanimously carried.

Resolution 11-21-03 a resolution to accept the 2020 fiscal year end audit conducted by Phillip Morgan and Associates put into motion by Councilmember Malone and seconded by Councilmember Thomas. Motion unanimously carried. Mr. Morgan spoke on audit findings stating that it was delayed due to the ongoing investigations. He also stated that the city did have internal controls but they apparently were overwritten by persons in management. Morgan noted that the city's net position had increased due to capital grants and Care's Act. During this timeframe we also spent monies on ambulance, grapple truck, and infrastructure.

Councilman Malone had no committee report. He wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving.

Councilwoman Autry had no committee report. She stated that she was to be a part of the City of Lanett's Veterans Day Program. She also thanked Ms. Dumas and Mr. Verde for what they do for the children of this community.

Councilman Looser had no committee report. He stated that he was proud to see so many children playing soccer when he came through the area.

Councilwoman Thomas had no committee report. She commented on and asked Utility Superintendent about the gas smell on 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Street. She asked if the issue was the building on the corner. Tony Chandler explained that it was a saturation that was under the road. Thomas wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving and asked everyone to support all that the recreation department was doing, especially the adult league sports that took place on Sunday.

Councilman Dobbs had no committee report. He congratulated those that were recognized with proclamations and thanked Mr. McCants for what he was doing in the Rec Department. Dobbs also stated that we needed to revisit, money, expenditures, overtime and issues that had taken places at the airport.

Mayor Heard recognized Mr. James Floyd, a citizen of Lanett. Mr. Floyd noted his concerns about the previous investigations going on with a former employee of the city.

Mayor Heard appointed from the Council an Airport Committee to work on job descriptions, lease agreements and other items pertaining to the airport. They consist of Councilmembers Dobbs (chairman), Looser and Thomas.

Mayor Heard stated that the next meeting would be at our Christmas Tree Lighting on December 6<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor Heard asked for a motion to dismiss. Looser motioned and Thomas seconded.

Mayor Heard stated that there being no further business to come before this council, motion duly made, the meeting adjourned.

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Jamie L. Heard, Mayor

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Deborah Gilbert, City Clerk/Treasurer