



City of Lanett Meeting Minutes City Council

401 N. Lanier Ave.
Lanett, AL 36863

Monday, March 1, 2021

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

Regular Session -

The City Council of the City of Lanett, Alabama, met on Monday, March 1, 2021, in the Council Chambers at City Hall at 6:00 P.M.

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

The Invocation was given by Reverend Rodney Jones. Mayor McCoy led the pledge of allegiance.

The Agenda as amended was approved through a motion by council member Malone and seconded by council member Dobbs. Motion unanimously carried.

The Minutes from February 15, 2021 Council meeting was approved through a motion by council member Heard and seconded by council member Dobbs. Motion unanimously carried.

Under New Business Mayor Kyle McCoy asked for a motion for approval of Invoices as submitted by the Clerk/Treasurer. Council member Thomas made the motion and council member Looser seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made to adopt Resolution 03-21-01 Resolution for Construction Agreement for TAP Project number TAPAA-TA21(922) between state of Alabama and City of Lanett by council member Malone. Council member Thomas seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made to adopt Resolution 03-21-02 Resolution to accept Engineering service agreement with Goodwyn, Mills Cawood, LLC for downtown Streetscape No. 100072682 by council member Thomas. Council member Heard seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

Reports of Standing Committees:

Councilman Tony Malone- Councilman Malone had no committee report. He commented on the fact that the city needed to move forward with getting recreations started back. He also stated that with the current issues regarding the mayor, the city should look at hiring a city manager and revising the handbook.

Councilman Jamie Heard- Councilman Heard that he and Councilman Dobbs had met with the mayor, city clerk and human resource to look at policies and procedures. He also asked Chief Wood about new police vehicles, which Wood followed up with information about grants including the Patrick Leahy Bullet Proof Vest Grant, which is offered every five years.

Councilman Charles Looser- Councilman Looser had no committee report. He thanked the water department for repairing the low water pressure in Brookwood. He also acknowledged the Lanett High School basketball team going to Birmingham, wishing them well.

Councilwoman Angelia Thomas- Councilwoman Thomas reported that the committee in which she chairs recently held a productive committee meeting. Discussed was mill village cleanup and 2nd Avenue gas line project. She mentioned during the meeting that we need to really do a lot of work in the mill village area due to the fact that this is the first area that people see when coming into Lanett from the I-85 corridor. Thomas also discussed possible new ordinance for building codes and livestock. She also wished Lanett High School boys and girls basketball team good luck as they advance to the state championship game. Thomas also addressed the recent allegations in regards to the mayor.

Councilman Tifton Dobbs – Councilman Dobbs had no committee report. He mentioned that some residents of 1st and 12th Street were requesting more lighting. Dobbs mentioned seeing citizens playing on the playground area and wanted to know when and if we would be opening the Recreation areas back up. Dobbs also spoke about our operating procedures in addition to Roberts Rules of Order, which is already in place.

Mayor McCoy addressed the concerns of the council in regards to the allegations against him stating that because there were pending legal issues, he was not at liberty to discuss. In regards to the playground he stated that citizens could use the open green space but not the equipment. He stated that the city is in the process of opening up all recreational activities. McCoy also stated that the city does have a garbage ordinance in place. He appointed Councilwoman Thomas to head up a clean up day in April. He also appointed Thomas and Dobbs to work on a procedure for hiring a City Administrator instead of a City Manager due to the fact

that Lanett is a Mayor- Council form of government so this would have to be done by a vote of the people instead of by ordinance. He stated that our last personnel policy which was written in 2013 falls under the Coachman Decision which changes some of the interpretation of government. He then appointed Malone, Heard and Looser to actually do the hiring. Mayor McCoy also discussed our upcoming budget.

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

Attest:

Kyle McCoy, Mayor

Deborah Gilbert, City Clerk/Treasurer