City of Lanett
Meeting Minutes

401 N. Lanier Ave.
Lanett, AL 36863

Monday, July 20, 2026, 6:00 PM Lanett Council Chambers

Regular Session -
The City Council of the City of Lanett, Alabama, met in a regular meeting on Monday, July 20, 2026, in the Council Chambers of the Lanett Municipal Complex at 6:00 p.m.

Councilmembers present were Denise Zachery, Krisse Story, Brad Lynn, Charles Bagley and Kim Roberts. Mayor Jamie Heard presided over the meeting.

Rev. Harold Henson said the invocation and Mayor Heard led the pledge of allegiance.

Councilmember Zachery made a motion to approve the agenda. Councilmember Story seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

Councilmember Story made the motion to approve the minutes of July 6, 2026, Work Session and Council Meeting. Bagley seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

Under New Business a Proclamation for Day of Prayer was read and presented by Councilmember Story. Diane Perry accepted the proclamation and thanked the Mayor and Council for the presentation on this 25th anniversary of the Day of Prayer in Chambers County.

Approval of Invoices to be paid as submitted by the Clerk/Treasurer was first motioned by Councilmember Bagley and seconded by Councilmember Lynn. Motion unanimously carried.

Ordinance 07-26-01 Amendment for Water/Sewage Tap Fees Second Reading was motioned by Councilmember Story and second by Councilmember Bagley. Motion unanimously carried.

Ordinance 07-26-02 Amendment for Gas Tap and Inspection Fees Second Reading was motioned by Councilmember Zachery and second by Councilmember Lynn. Motion unanimously carried.

Ordinance 07-26-03 Amendment for Connection Fees Second Reading was motioned by Councilmember Story and second by Councilmember Bagley. Motion unanimously carried.

Ordinance 07-26-04 Amendment for Service Charge Fees Second Reading was motioned by Councilmember Story and second by Councilmember Roberts. Motion unanimously carried. Councilmember Lynn clarified that the large item pickup would be for multiple items such as an entire house clean out or contractor debris.

Resolution 07-26-08 Approval of Declaration of Weed Nuisance for 17 lots. Code Enforcement officer Crowder explained that these are overgrown lots that the owners have been sent notices but did not respond. Councilmember Roberts made the motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Bagley. Motion unanimously carried.

Reports of Standing Committees:

Council Member Denise Zachery, Chairman of Police and School had no committee report. She updated the citizens in District one that on July 15th she met with the Airport committee and GMC, on July 26 she attended the Board of Adjustment meeting. She also met with the owners of the old Piggly Wiggly building and asked them to consider bringing a grocery store back. She got their contact information for future references. She stated that tomorrow she was meeting with the finance committee.

Councilmember Krisse Story, Chairman of Streets, Sewer, Water, Cemetery and Grounds reported that she and Mr. Chapman and the mayor were still working on water issues. She reported good progress with the grounds and streets department. She also gave an update on District 2's Summer University.

Council Member Brad Lynn, Chair of Finance and Airport, stated that he is planning a Town Hall Meeting for August 13th for District 3. For the month of July, the Airport has had 1590 operations and 1700 gallons of fuel sold. Jet fuel issues should be resolved by the end of the week. Lynn presented a certificate of training completion to airport manager Jim Bergeron.

Council Member Charles Bagley, Chair of Fire, EMS, and Recreation thanked everyone for coming out to the community cleanup on July 11th and for supporting the Family Movie Night sponsored by Brothers of Purpose and the Lanett Parks and Rec department. He also congratulated the seniors for their participation in the Alabama Masters Games and wins in Cornhole and Shuffleboard.

Council Member Kim Roberts, Chair of Electric and Gas had no committee report. She stated that she had a meeting with the Code Enforcement Officer to look at some properties that need cleaning up especially in District 5. She asked everyone to be mindful of the school children since it is time for school to restart. She

reported that the Fuller Center has 2 homes that are nearing completion in District One.

Mayor Heard asked for Department Heads reports.

Jared from Clearwater reported that the clarifier #1 was down for a while waiting on a rebuild but it was back working. He stated that they had assisted with an inspection and working on preventative maintenance.

Chier Shiver with the Fire Department stated that they had one employee moving from full-time to part-time, therefore they have an opening for one full-time employee.

Richard Chapman with the Water Department was proud to report that as of today, there were zero leaks. He stated that he had an urgent need for a meeting with a business concerning waste issues. This issue could potentially cost the city money.

Jim Bergeron at Airport had no report.

Bo Lauderdale with Grounds and Cemetery asked everyone to be mindful of the grass cutters on the right-away of the roads.

Keith Lowery with the Electric Department reported that they had knocked out the project with the water department.

Zane West with the Gas Department reported that the gas contractors were moving along.

Trent McCants in Recreation reported the Back to School Bash on August 1st at the Event Center. He asked for donations of clear book bags. He also bragged about the recent movie night out and all of the help that was received.

Chief McCain reported that the Junior Police Academy was wonderful. National Night Out is planned for August 4th. There are plans for fireworks and giveaways consisting of school supplies, and gift cards which were donated. She thanked the councilmembers who came out during the mentoring program.

Mayor Heard spoke about citizens littering. He mentioned that Rev. Henson had spoken about churches and other organizations adopting certain streets. He stated that if we could get addresses from discarded trash, we would investigate and file charges if possible. He thanked the different departments for their hard work. He recommended that everyone stay hydrated in this time of intense heat. He gave notice of the next Council meeting and Work Session on August 3rd.

Mayor Heard asked for a motion to adjourn, which was given by Council member Story and seconded by Council member Lynn.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:34

Attest:

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Jamie L. Heard, Mayor Deborah Gilbert, City Clerk/Treasurer