



City of Lanett

Meeting Minutes City Council

401 N. Lanier Ave.
Lanett, AL 36863

Tuesday, September 5, 2023

5:00 PM

Lanett City Hall

Work Session -

The City Council of the City of Lanett, Alabama, met on Tuesday, September 5, 2023, at the Lanett City Hall at 5:00 P.M.

Council members present were Tamalita Autry, Ronnie Tucker, Angelia Thomas, and Tifton Dobbs. Mayor Heard presided over the meeting, opened the work session, and welcomed everyone.

Heard stated that the first discussion would be regarding Preliminary Proposed 2024 Budget. He handed out copies to the council. He also discussed a proposed 2% Cost of Living Pay Increase and Employee Insurance Family Coverage Assistance. Mayor Heard stated that in his opinion the mayor and council should not take the pay increase.

There was a discussion about water meters. Randall Aikens stated that with these new radio-read meters, revenue would increase greatly (as much as by \$100,000).

Water Superintendent Job Description was discussed among the council.

An Ordinance to eliminate the Police Jurisdiction in the city of Lanett. Attorney Gray stated that in order to pass this ordinance at tonight's council meeting, the council would have to suspend the rules for immediate consideration.

Mayor Heard opened the discussion of allowing alcohol on our rental property for events. He stated that the surrounding cities allowed it but with certain rules and restrictions. Chief McCain commented on the process of using police officers for security at events.

Mayor Heard introduced Leon Childs and Deitra Crawley Bryant to discuss Groundswell Energy Assistance. This program would benefit lower income families in the reduction of utility bills at zero risk to the city but with huge benefits.

Mayor Heard asked for a motion to adjourn, which was given by Thomas and seconded by Tucker. Heard stated that there being no further business to come before this council the meeting adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

Attest:

Jamie Heard, Mayor

Deborah Gilbert, City Clerk/Treasurer