TOWN OF MANSURA
SPECIAL MEETING
AUGUST 18, 2026

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Mansura met in a special session at the Mansura Town Hall on Tuesday August 18, 2026, at one o'clock.

The meeting opened with a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Mayor Kenneth Pickett , Mayor Pro-Tempore Bruce Jackson, Alderman Glenn McKinley, Alderwoman Judy James, Judy Bazert, and Lucille Hayes.

Mayor Pickett informed the Board of Aldermen that he called a special meeting to discuss the budget and that the Town Attorney would explain everything.

Town Attorney Alissa Piazza addressed the Mayor and Board of Aldermen and stated that she had spoken with most of the council, and also about the budget concerning the Municipal Clerk's salary. She informed them that nothing was done wrong regarding the salary increases that were included in the budget. She also stated that she spoke with the Town's CPA, who advised that all raises are included in the budget and that this is how the Town has always handled raises because the budget is an ordinance.

Mayor Pickett informed the Board of Aldermen that he gave the clerk a $5.00 raise, which was included in the budget with the CPA based on her job description. The budget passed by a vote of 3 to 2.

Motioned by Bruce Jackson, seconded by Glenn McKinley and unanimously carried to, moving forward, state the amount of each employee's raise and adopt a separate ordinance for pay raises for all employees.

Mayor Pickett gave Alderwoman Judy James the information she requested through her public records request.

All public hearings and special meetings will be recorded, except for executive sessions.

Mrs. Debbie Augustine addressed the Mayor and Board of Aldermen about the road near New Jerusalem Church that was washed out by the storm.

Mayor Pickett informed Mrs. Augustine that he would contract the Police Jury to look at the road.

Mayor Pickett informed the Board of Aldermen that he attended a meeting that morning with FEMA regarding the possibility of receiving 75 percent reimbursement for the cost of repairing the Johnson bridge.

Mayor Pickett informed the Board of Aldermen that he received two quotes for the Johnson bridge: one from the Police Jury (Mr. Kevin) for $10,750.00 and one from Normand Construction for $24,884.00.

Motioned by Bruce Jackson, seconded by Glenn McKinley and unanimously carried to approve the Avoyelles Parish Police Jury to repair the Johnson Bridge.

Mayor Pickett informed the Board of Aldermen that Mr. Thomas was unable to attend the meeting, so Mr. Ethan from Pan American attended in his place.

Motioned by Bruce Jackson, seconded by Glenn McKinley and unanimously carried having no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

s/Kayla Bannister, Town Clerk _____ Mayor Kenneth Pickett