

TOWN OF MANSURA
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 11, 2025

The Mayor and Board of Alderman of the Town of Mansura met on August 11, 2025, at six o'clock.

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

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

Absent: Alderwoman Judy Bazert, and Alderman Roderick Perry.

Mayor acknowledged the Town of Mansura earned a Community Achievement Award for Sewer Department Chlorine Building in Lake Charles at the LMA 88th Annual Convention.

Corey Bannister, Avoyelles High Athletic Director, addressed the Mayor and Board of Alderman to offer AHS athletes for the town's community service needs.

Halle Walters addressed the Mayor and Board of Alderman about possible reinstating the Cochon de Lait Pageant.

Joshua Pierite addressed the Mayor and Board of Alderman about his non-profit organization, Purple Skye Festival Cinema night. He wants to host a cinema night to bring the community together for two thousand dollars. Mayor and the Board of Alderman informed him they would look into getting sponsors and have an update at the next council meeting. Mayor Pickett introduced the new Mansura Chamber of Commerce president Mr. Ramos. Mr. Ramos informed the Mayor and Board of Alderman he is looking forward to getting started with the Cochon de Lait festival and to bring back the pageant and carnival for the Cochon de Lait festival.

Meyhan Chenevert, the former president for the Chamber of Commerce, addressed the Mayor and Board of Alderman to thank everyone for all their help with the festival.

Mr. Thomas David from Pan American Engineers presented the Mayor and Board of Alderman with the engineer's report on Splash Pad, Bayou Lacombe, and mentioned that the Cochon de Lait building has been awarded a grant for LGAP.

Motioned by Bruce Jackson, seconded by Glenn McKinley and unanimously carried to add resolution to agenda for Splash Pad.

Motioned by Bruce Jackson, seconded by Glenn McKinley and unanimously carried to adopt and pass resolution of "Substantially Completed" the work for Splash Pad.

Mayor Pickett informed the Board of Alderman about the concerns from residents concerning Bayou Lacombe. The mayor reassured everyone that the project is moving along fine.

Town attorney Mrs. Alissa Piazza informed the Mayor and Board of Alderman about the Sales Tax 2 renewal. She will put together a resolution for the Mayor and Board of Alderman to review at the next meeting for the renewal.

Mayor Pickett informed the Board of Alderman about the need for street workers to get train to operate the town equipment.

Mayor Pickett informed the Board of Alderman that Dugas Lane need repairs and that he is seeking ways to get it done.

Motioned by Bruce Jackson, seconded by Glenn McKinley and unanimously carried to accept and adopt the minutes of the July 14, 2025, meeting.

Motioned by Bruce Jackson, seconded by Glenn McKinley and unanimously carried to approve the July bills for payment, except John Deere.

The financial statement for July was viewed by the town council.

General fund, Sales 01, and Sales 02 were compared to the budget.

Alderwoman Judy James addressed the Mayor and Board of Alderman that the Back-to-School Giveaway was a success and thanked all the sponsors. She also announced that a Veteran's Day ball will take place on November 11, 2025.

Mr. Donald Milligan spoke on behalf of the Mansura Volunteer Fire Department asking for financial assistance in the procurement of new fire trucks. Mayor and the Board of Alderman will review to see what funds are available.

Fire Department dinner will be September 21, 2025, from 9am- 12noon.

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

s/Kayla Bannister, Town Clerk

Mayor Kenneth Pickett

