

TOWN OF MANSURA
SPECIAL MEETING
MAY 10, 2021

The Mayor and Board of Alderman of the Town of Mansura met in special session at the Mansura Town Hall on Monday May 10, 2021 at 4:30p.m.

Present: Mayor Kenneth Pickett, Gaon Escude, Judy Bazert, Bruce Jackson, Shawn Wilson, and Roderick Perry.

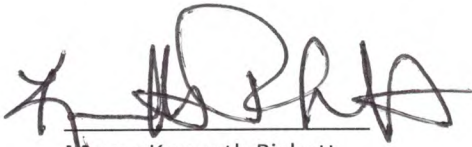
The special meeting was held to discuss the proposed budget amendments for the year ending June 30, 2021 and the budget proposal for the June 30, 2022 fiscal year.

CPA Aloysia Ducote addressed the Mayor and Board of Alderman to discuss the proposed budget amendments for the year ending June 30, 2021 and the budget proposal for the June 30, 2022 fiscal year.

Mayor Pickett informed CPA Aloysia Ducote about giving employees a three percent raise, except elected official.

Mayor Pickett and Board of Alderman informed CPA Aloysia Ducote about putting a commercial stove and warmer for the Pavilion in budget.

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



Mayor Kenneth Pickett

s/Kayla Bannister, Town Clerk

TOWN OF MANSURA
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
May 10, 2021

The Mayor and Board of Alderman of the Town of Mansura met in regular session at the Mansura Town Hall on Monday May 10, 2021 at six o'clock.

Present: Mayor Kenneth Pickett, Alderman Bruce Jackson, Goan Escude, Judy Bazert, Shawn Wilson, and Roderick Perry.

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

Judy James addressed the Mayor and Board of Alderman on the condition of the bathrooms at the basketball courts. Mayor Pickett advised Ms. James that when he received her call earlier in the week, he and Mr. Perry went out to correct the problem. Mayor Pickett also advised Ms. James and the board that due to the gun violence and shootings, it would be in the best interest of the town to close the basketball court and baseball field to protect the children. The mayor also advised everyone that he is trying to find Park and Recreation funding to do the necessary repairs and add much needed surveillance cameras to help prosecute those who discharged their guns in public.

Anthony St. Romain addressed the Mayor and Board of Alderman about a nonprofit organization AAU that allows kids under 18 to play any sports they desire. Mr. St. Romain wanted to see if the Mayor and Board of Alderman would sponsor the kids with the sports, they would like to play in.

Tisha and Tim Herbert from Caplan Louisiana addressed the Mayor and Board of Alderman about doing a Family Fun Day with food, music, games, and a give a way on the walking track on June 13, 2021. They go around to different communities and give back. Mayor Pickett advised them to check with the Chamber of Commerce. They would also like to do a Blues concert in the Pavilion on July 3, 2021.

Mayor Pickett informed the Board of Alderman that First Insurance was renewed and the town rates were lowered.

Mayor Pickett informed the Board of Alderman that the town was approved for a grant up to \$1,000,000.00 from the FY- 2021 Louisiana Community Development Block Grant (LCDBG). The grant will be used to provide water quality improvements. Mayor Pickett advised the board that the Town of Mansura, like everyone else, has the right to have good water. He has led fight since he has been in office. One of the greatest accomplishments we've achieved was connecting to Avoyelles Water. With this grant, the town will own 1.5 million of the infrastructure.

Mayor Pickett informed the Board of Alderman that American Municipal Services will be coming back in July.

Motioned by Judy Bazert, seconded by Goan Escude and unanimously carried to apply for the FY-2022/2023 LCDBG Grant for Streets.

Motioned by Bruce Jackson, seconded by Shawn Wilson and unanimously carried to accept and adopt the minutes of the April 12, 2021 meeting.

Motioned by Bruce Jackson, seconded by Gaon Escude and unanimously carried to approve April bills for payment.

Motioned by Bruce Jackson, seconded by Judy Bazert and unanimously carried to adopt 2021 millage rate.

Motioned by Shawn Wilson, seconded by Gaon Escude and unanimously carried to approve and adopt the proposed amendment budget for June 30, 2021.

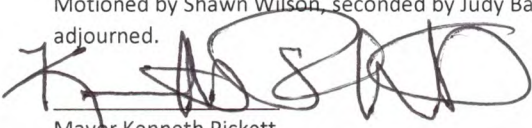
Motioned by Shawn Wilson, seconded by Gaon Escude and unanimously carried to set a public hearing for June 14, 2021 at 5:45p.m. to discuss the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year Budget.

Motioned by Shawn Wilson, seconded by Judy Bazert and unanimously carried to adopt Ordinance No 05-10-21 which states that municipal taxes/millages in and for the town of Mansura shall be collected by the Sheriff of Avoyelles Parish.

Motioned by Shawn Wilson, seconded by Judy Bazert and unanimously carried to hire Simmesport Police Secretary to help out one day during the week and on Fridays.

Financial statement for April was viewed by town council.

Motioned by Shawn Wilson, seconded by Judy Bazert and unanimously carried having no further business, the meeting was adjourned.


Mayor Kenneth Pickett

s/Kayla Bannister, Town Clerk