

Agenda
Town of Cottonport
Meeting of the Mayor and Town Council
Cottonport Community Center @ 939 Bryan Street
Wednesday, November 12, 2025 @ 6:00p.m.
Pledge of Allegiance- Invocation- Call Meeting to Order @ 6:00p.m.

Present: Mayor: Terry Jeansonne X Mayor Pro-Temp: Curtis Francisco X

Council Members: Kenneth Friels X , Margaret P. Jenkins X , Demple Prater X

Town Clerk: Renee Gaspard X Police Chief Earnest Anderson Jr. X Town Attorney: Brandon Scott X

Town Engineer: Brendon Gaspard

Absent: Councilman Spencer Lemoine

Agenda Item 1: That a motion be passed accepting the minutes of the previous regular meeting on Wednesday, October 15, 2025, as published.

Motion: Kenneth Friels **Seconded By:** Margaret P. Jenkins **Passed Unanimously**

Agenda Item 2: Ms. Sharon Marcotte wants to address the Mayor and Council about the animals in town. Ms. Marcotte was unable to attend, but Chief Earnest Anderson Jr. has spoken to Animal Control in Alexandria about partnering up to help control the animals in town. Updates will follow

Agenda Item 3: Ms. Betty Augustine would like to talk about their organization Sleeves Up and their upcoming event December 8, 2025. Ms. Mary Sampson spoke about the event. The Avoyelles Sleeves Up program will host an event December 8, 2025, from 10a.m. to 2p.m. for 4th, 5th, and 6th grade children @ the KC Hall in Cottonport. The program provides the children with knowledge to make healthy choices. The children will be served morning snacks, lunch, and afternoon snacks. There will also be games and door prizes. A flyer will be posted on our website and Facebook page.

Agenda Item 4: Introduction of Ordinance 2025-001. An Ordinance relating to the election or appointment of the Chief of Police for the Town of Cottonport, Louisiana. A Public Hearing will be held December 8, 2025 @ 5:45.

Motion: Margaret P. Jenkins **Seconded By:** Curtis Francisco **Passed Unanimously**

Agenda Item 5: To accept a resolution to select a **Project** involving the **Water Sector Phase 2 FY 26/27** funding application for **Wastewater System Improvements**. The Town hereby obligates and commits, as part of the **Water Sector Program application** requirements, to pay a minimum 25% match of the Water Sector allocation and that the Town of Cottonport hereby selects Pan American Engineers, LLC to provide engineering services for this project. A 26% will be matched instead of 25%

Motion: Curtis Francisco **Seconded By:** Demple Prater **Passed Unanimously**

Agenda Item 6: The Cottonport Police Dept need body cameras & tasers. The cost of 3 body cameras is 9,554.40 and 3 tasers is 14,428.80, bringing the total to 29,386.08, which can be purchased through an annual contract paying 5,877.22 annually for 5 years. Contract quotes are in the folders.

Motion: TABELED **Passed Unanimously**

Agenda Item 7: On recommendation of the Mayor, Terry Jeansonne and Chief Earnest Anderson Jr. to do an emergency hire of POST CERTIFIED, PART TIME Police Officer Craig Lee @ \$16.00 an hour. Effective as of 10/24/2025.

Motion: Kenneth Friels **Seconded By:** Demple Prater **Passed Unanimously**

Agenda Item 8: To approve of having 4 fire hydrants repaired. Chris Lemoine will present the options

Motion: Discussion, no action taken

Business:

Mayor:

Council: Kenneth Friels introduced J Luxe Tax Solutions, who will be holding a toy drive the weekend of the Christmas Parade, in the Town Square. Flyers will be posted

Agenda Item 9: To pass a motion to pay Register 4 October Invoice

Motion: Margaret P. Jenkins **Seconded By:** Demple Prater **Passed Unanimously**

Agenda Item 10: With no further business the meeting is adjourned

Motion: Demple Prater **Seconded By:** Curtis Francisco **Passed Unanimously**

/S/ Renee L. Gaspard
Town Clerk

/S/ Terry Jeansonne
Mayor