

**TOWN OF STERLINGTON
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN
STERLINGTON, LOUISIANA**

**6:30 P.M.
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2025**

**TOWN HALL
COUNCIL MEETING CHAMBER**

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor Matt Talbert called the meeting to order. Aldermen present: Ashton Courson, Erica Hughes, Billy Clarkson and Charles Hodnett. Absent from the meeting was Zack Howse. A quorum was present and acting.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Talbert gave the invocation and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE

David Roach, Stephen Post, Sandra Post, Caroline Bryant, Kamden Bryant, Holly Bryant, Georgia Kate Bryant, Halie Simon, Amy Bartlett, Kristen Parker, Darren Thomas, Jennifer Thomas, Miranda Russ, Mary Siggers, Dani Tuggle, Natalie Gregg, Lee Riorden, Andy Day, Mike Downhour w/Monroe Chamber of Commerce, Rob Cleveland w/Grow NELA, Jaren Pellegrin, Jessica Pellegrin and Gary Hodnett.

Town Personnel in attendance were Town Clerk, Natalie Penrose, Town Attorney Devin Jones, and Chief of Police Cobi Brown.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The Mayor read the Public Comments Law out loud to the audience, and read each item listed on the agenda for discussion. There were no questions or comments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES-Tuesday, September 23, 2025

M/S/C (Billy Clarkson, Erica Hughes) approve the meeting minutes for September 23, 2025.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION-RENAME STERLINGTON P&Z BOARD

M/S/C (Billy Clarkson, Erica Hughes) approves the renaming of the Sterlington Planning & Zoning Board to the "David E. Bryant Planning & Zoning Board".

RECESS

Mayor Matt Talbert presented the Bryant Family with an Proclamation honoring David Bryant.

ROB CLEVELAND W/GROW NELA

Rob Cleveland w/Grow NELA gave a brief presentation on a 74 acre industrial park site.

PLANNING & ZONING RECOMMENDATIONS

LA CHAOS

M/S/C (Billy Clarkson, Charles Hodnett) approve the hiring of Meredith Burlew for a fulltime police officer with the intent of sponsoring her through the next available Police Academy.

SPD CAPTAIN CALVIN PRESLEY RESIGNATION

M/S/C (Billy Clarkson, Charles Hodnett) approve the resignation of Captain Calvin Presley.

PUBLIC WORKS VEHICLE RESOLUTION

M/S/C (Billy Clarkson, Ashton Courson) approve the the Resolution authorizing the Mayor to purchase vehicles through the Louisiana Municipal Advisory and Technical Services Bureau (LAMATS) cooperative purchasing program.

OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE APPLICATION-RENEWED PHYSICAL THERAPY, LLC

M/S/C (Charles Hodnett, Billy Clarkson) approved the Occupational License Application for Renewed Physical Therapy, LLC as presented. Ashton Courson abstained from voting.

PEDLER'S LICENSE APPLICATION-JEFF'S COFFEE COMPANY, LLC

M/S/C (Charles Hodnett, Ashton Courson) approve the Pedler's License Application for Jeff's Coffee Company, LLC as presented.

RESOLUTION-JOHNSON PROPERTY

M/S/C (Billy Clarkson, Charles Hodentt) approve the Resolution authorizing the Mayor to purchase a certain tract of land from Johnson & Johnson, as described in Exhibit "A" and to accept a partial donation of said land; and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

WASHINGTON D.C. TRIP-DISCUSSION ONLY

The council discussed the upcoming Washington D.C. trip.

BUDGETS & FINANCIALS-AUGUST 2025

M/S/C (Charles Hodnett, Billy Clarkson) approve the Budgets & Financials for August 2025 as presented.

AGED PAYABLES – AUGUST 2025

Aged Payables for August 2025 were presented to council.

MONTHLY EXPENDITURES THROUGH SEPTEMBER 22, 2025

Monthly Expenditures through September 22, 2025 were presented to council.

ADJOURN



Natalie Penrose, Town Clerk



Matt Talbert, Mayor