

**Town of Jena
Regular Meeting
August 6, 2013**

The Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Jena, Louisiana, met in regular session on Tuesday, August 6, at 6:00 p.m. at their regular meeting place, the Town Hall.

Mayor Murphy McMillin called the meeting to order and Councilman Donny Richardson opened the meeting with prayer. Mayor McMillin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Council members Tommy Sandifer, David Paul Jones, Donnie Kendrick, Carl Newburg, Donny Richardson, and Attorney Steve Kendrick.

The reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed on a motion by Mr. Richardson and seconded by Mr. Jones. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Kendrick made a motion seconded by Mr. Sandifer to add an item "Approve beer permit for Untamed Outdoors" to the agenda as item #11. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Richardson made a motion seconded by Mr. Sandifer to open a public hearing for the purpose of hearing public comment on revoking the dedication of the undeveloped Cherry and Pine Streets in the JP Noble Addition and revoking the dedication of the alley off of Jones Street. Motion unanimously passed. No comments were made. Mr. Richardson made a motion seconded by Mr. Newburg to close the public hearing. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Richardson made a motion seconded by Mr. Newburg to adopt an ordinance to revoke the dedication of the undeveloped Cherry and Pine Streets in the JP Noble Addition. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Jones made a motion seconded by Mr. Kendrick to adopt an ordinance to revoke the dedication of an alley off Jones Street. Motion unanimously passed.

Jack Breithaupt made a presentation on the status of the dog trot house restoration. Following the presentation Mr. Kendrick made a motion seconded by Mr. Richardson to approve \$8,000 to finish the exterior restoration of the house. Motion unanimously passed.

Jess Warden and Chuck Walters with SkyRider made a presentation on the operations of the new video surveillance security system in the Town Park.

Councilman David Paul Jones left the meeting.

Mr. Richardson made a motion seconded by Mr. Newburg to approve a beer permit for Untamed Outdoors. Motion passed with 4 voting for and 1 absent.

Town Engineers, Bryant Hammett and Associates, are working on several projects including the Splash Pad, which will be bid September 4th, and Street work on Terral Street, High School Drive, and Sycamore Street.

Fire Chief Josh Corley presented the fire report.

Investigator Rodney Campbell presented the police report.

Assistant Superintendent Willis Atwell presented the superintendent's report.

In the Mayor's report Mayor McMillin announced that donations for the Strand Theater Project have reached \$66,165. Sales tax collections have stabilized with collections year to date about like last year. The LMA convention held last week in Monroe went very well.

As there was no other business to be brought before the Mayor and Town Council, Mr. Richardson made a motion seconded by Mr. Kendrick to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

TOWN CLERK, Cory Floyd

MAYOR, Murphy R. McMillin