

**Town of Jena
Regular Meeting
July 6, 2010**

The Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Jena, Louisiana, met in regular session on Tuesday, July 6, 2010, at 6:00 p.m. at their regular meeting place, the Town Hall.

Mayor Murphy McMillin called the meeting to order and Councilman Donnie Kendrick opened the meeting with prayer.

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

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

Mr. Sandifer made a motion seconded by Mr. Jones to open a public hearing for the purpose of hearing input from the citizens of Jena in the identification of recovery priorities and the development of a recovery program for Jena. 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. Jones to submit a grant application to the Municipalities Infrastructure Program for up to \$2 million for the construction of a retaining pond to prevent future flooding along Hemps Creek. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Newburg made a motion seconded by Mr. Kendrick to adopt a resolution to establish a citizen participation plan for the State of Louisiana Disaster Recovery Community Development Block Grant. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Richardson made a motion seconded by Mr. Newburg to adopt a resolution to establish selection criteria for administrative consultants and engineers for the DRU CDBG. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Sandifer made a motion seconded by Mr. Jones to adopt a resolution to establish a procurement policy for the DRU CDBG. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Kendrick made a motion to adopt a resolution to authorize the sale of one surplus car and three surplus truck beds. Motion unanimously passed.

Keith Capdepon with Bryant Hammett and Associates announced that the sewer rehabilitation project in the Carpenter Street area is now underway. Filming began last week. Construction will begin soon.

Fire Chief Don Smith presented the fire report.

Police Chief Paul Smith presented the police report.

Superintendent Don Jones presented the superintendent's report.

In the Mayor's report Mayor McMillin announced that \$15,000 of the \$30,000 that Senator Neil Riser included in the State budget was vetoed by the Governor. Sales tax revenue is up compared to the same months last year. The recreation director is doing a good job. Swimming lessons will start next week. Ms. Georgie Moffett will be retiring August 1st. A retirement party will be held July 23rd at 11:00 a.m. at the Town Hall.

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 6:47 p.m.

TOWN CLERK, Cory Floyd

MAYOR, Murphy R. McMillin