

**Town of Jena  
Regular Meeting  
May 5, 2020**

The Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Jena, Louisiana, met in regular session on Tuesday, May 5, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. at their regular meeting place, the Town Hall.

Mayor LaDawn Cooper Edwards called the meeting to order; Attorney Walter Dorroh, Jr. opened the meeting with prayer, and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Council members, Tommy Sandifer, Wayne Chapman, David Paul Jones, Donny Richardson, Lester Francis and Attorney Walter Dorroh.

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

Mr. Chapman made a motion seconded by Mr. Francis to approve the financial reports for March and April. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Richardson made a motion seconded by Mr. Sandifer to approve a beer permit for Mandy's Drive Thru. Motion passed. Mr. Chapman abstained.

Mr. Jones made a motion seconded by Mr. Chapman to authorize Mayor Edwards to sign documents accepting the low bid for the new fire truck. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Francis made a motion seconded by Mr. Sandifer to approve the 2019 Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire. Motion unanimously passed.

Fire Chief Josh Corley presented the fire report.

Police Chief Scott McLendon presented the police report.

Superintendent David Miller presented to superintendent's report.

Mayor Edwards announced the National Day of Prayer will be held Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at noon at the Jena High School Football Stadium. Sales tax collections for March 2019 were \$85,281.23 compared to 2020 collections of \$80,343.63. Sales tax collections for April 2019 were \$96,962.61 compared to 2020 collections of \$116,999.19.

As there was no other business to be brought before the Mayor and Town Council, Mr. Richardson made a motion seconded by Mr. Francis to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

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TOWN CLERK, Cory Floyd

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MAYOR, LaDawn Cooper Edwards