

**Town of Jena  
Regular Meeting  
August 3, 2020**

The Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Jena, Louisiana, met in regular session on Tuesday, August 3, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. at their regular meeting place, the Town Hall.

Mayor LaDawn Cooper Edwards called the meeting to order; Councilman Tommy Sandifer opened the meeting with prayer, and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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

Mr. Richardson made a motion seconded by Mr. Jones to approve the financial report. Motion unanimously passed.

The audit report for year ended December 31, 2019, was presented by Scott Adams of Silas Simmons LLP. In his report Mr. Adams stated that the town is in sound financial condition and there were no audit findings. Mr. Francis made a motion seconded by Mr. Chapman to accept the audit report as presented. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Richardson made a motion seconded by Mr. Chapman to open a public hearing to hear comments on Ordinance 210-to set the meeting date and time for the regular Council meeting. No written or oral comments were received. Mr. Chapman made a motion seconded by Mr. Jones to close the public hearing.

Mr. Richardson made a motion seconded by Mr. Francis to adopt Ordinance 21-To set the meeting date and time for the regular Council meeting. Motion passed.

Mr. Sandifer made a motion seconded by Mr. Jones to adopt a resolution setting the millage rate for the 2020 tax year. Motion unanimously passed.

Fire Chief Josh Corley presented the fire report.

Mayor Edwards announced that we have recently been under a two day boil advisory due to a leak near the courthouse. Third Street from Pine to East Bradford has been overlaid. This project completes the Third Street project. The Sales tax revenue for July 2019 was \$70,360.14 and July 2020 \$103,294.10.

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 6:33 p.m.

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TOWN CLERK, Cory Floyd

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MAYOR, LaDawn Cooper Edwards