

**Town of Jena
Regular Meeting
March 7, 2022**

The Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Jena, Louisiana, met in regular session on Monday, March 7, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. at their regular meeting place, the Town Hall.

Mayor LaDawn C. 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, Lester Francis, Wayne Chapman, and Attorney Evans 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 approved.

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

Mr. Francis made a motion seconded by Mr. Sandifer to proclaim March 18, 2022, "318 Day with McDonald's." Motion unanimously approved.

Mr. Chapman made a motion seconded by Mr. Francis to adopt a resolution for the Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Plan. Motion unanimously approved.

No bids were received on the surplus copy machine.

Mr. Richardson made a motion seconded by Mr. Jones to introduce Ordinance No. 211 to Establish Public Park Hours and Trespassing Procedures. Motion unanimously approved.

Mr. Richardson made a motion seconded by Mr. Chapman to introduce amendments to the 2021 Utility Fund and Sales Tax Fund budgets. Motion unanimously approved.

Councilmen Lester Francis and Tommy Sandifer gave the Street Committee update. The next committee meeting is scheduled for March 30, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. Repair work with the LaSalle Parish Police Jury continues. The town has been using the police jury's side bush hog to clean up rights-of-way.

Fire Chief Josh Corley presented the Fire Report.

Superintendent David Miller presented the utility report.

Mayor Edwards announced that sales tax collection for February 2021 was \$87,781.69 and 2022 \$105,994.95. We were incredibly pleased with the results of the auction of surplus vehicles this past Saturday. The vehicles were consigned to Bonnette Auction Company in Alexandria. The 2008 Ford Crown Victoria Police unit sold for \$500, and the 2012 Freightliner Garbage Truck sold for \$38,050.

As there was no other business to be brought before the Mayor and Town Council, Mr. Richardson made a motion seconded by Mr. Chapman to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

TOWN CLERK, Cory Floyd

MAYOR, LaDawn C. Edwards