

**Town of Jena  
Regular Meeting  
March 4, 2024**

The Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Jena, Louisiana, met in regular session on Monday, March 4, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. at their regular meeting place, the Town Hall.

Mayor LaDawn C. Edwards called the meeting to order; Councilman Lester Francis opened the meeting with prayer and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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

Mr. Richardson made a motion seconded by Mr. Jones to approve the financial reports for January 2024. Motion unanimously approved.

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

Mr. Chapman made a motion seconded by Mr. Francis to introduce Amendments to 2023 General, Utility and Sales Tax fund budgets. Motion unanimously approved.

Firefighter Charlie Savell presented the Fire Report.

Superintendent Ronny Steele presented the Utility Report.

Mayor Edwards announced that January 2023 Sales tax collection was \$85,3326.59 with 2024 collections being \$150,184.53. Easter in the Park will be held Friday, March 29 at the Jena Town Park. 6 eggs hunts will be held with 1,000 eggs being hidden for each hunt. The schedule is follows: 11:00 ages 0-2, 11:30 ages 3-4, 12:00 ages 5-6, 12:30 ages 7-8, 1:00 ages 9-10 and 1:30 Sr. Citizens & Special Needs. Games will also be provided. If anyone would like to sponsor a game feel free to do so. Anyone interested in performing music should contact Kent Hatfield at 318-992-3954. Christ Temple will be selling food to raise money for their missions trip.

As there was no other business to be brought before the Mayor and Town Council, Mr. Richardson made a motion seconded by Mr. Jones to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 9:22 a.m.

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TOWN CLERK, Cory Floyd

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MAYOR, LaDawn C. Edwards