

**Town of Jena
Regular Meeting
June 3, 2024**

The Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Jena, Louisiana, met in regular session on Monday, June 3, 2024, 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, Wayne Chapman, Lester Francis, and Attorney Evans Dorroh.

Absent: Councilman David Paul Jones

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. Sandifer to approve the financial reports for April 2024. Motion unanimously approved.

Mr. Richardson made a motion seconded by Mr. Sandifer to approve a beer permit for The Vault on First Street, LLC. Motion unanimously approved.

Mr. Chapman made a motion seconded by Mr. Francis to authorize the establishment of "Water Critical Asset Contingency Fund" checking account. Motion unanimously approved.

Fire fighter Jeffery Benson presented the Fire Report.

Superintendent Ronny Steele presented the Utility Report.

Mayor Edwards announced that the Splash Pad opened May 20th. Ronny, Cory and I attended a meeting at the LaSalle Library with Representative Julia Letlow. She and her staff discussed funding opportunities available to address the many needs in our parish. We are very thankful for her interest and commitment to our area. GEO's quarterly community development luncheon will be held Wednesday, June 5th at 11:30 a.m. at the Strand Theater. Everyone is encouraged to attend. The LMA District E meeting will be held Thursday, June 6th in Pineville. Hadlie Jo Pritchard will be performing at the Strand Theater, Friday, June 14th at 6:30 p.m. at the Strand Theater.

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 9:26 a.m.

TOWN CLERK, Cory Floyd

MAYOR, LaDawn C. Edwards