

**Town of Jena
Regular Meeting
March 5, 2013**

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

Mayor Murphy McMillin called the meeting to order and Councilman Donny Richardson opened the meeting with prayer. Councilman Carl Newburg led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Council members Tommy Sandifer, David Paul Jones, Donnie Kendrick, Carl Newburg, Donny Richardson, and Attorney Walter Dorroh.

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

Mr. Richardson made a motion seconded by Mr. Newburg to adopt a resolution to dispose of surplus vehicles and other miscellaneous items. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Kendrick made a motion seconded by Mr. Sandifer to authorize Mayor McMillin to sign a contract for the demolition of the swimming pool. Motion unanimously passed.

Fire Chief Josh Corley presented the fire report.

Police Chief Paul Smith presented the police report.

Superintendent David Miller presented the superintendent's report.

In the Mayor's report Mayor McMillin announced sales inside the city limits increased 8.1% year to date, compared to the same months last year. Ethics training will be held at the Town Hall Tuesday, April 2nd at 10:00 a.m. The special projects are moving along well despite the rainy weather. As the weather improves projects should move much faster. The restoration of the Strand Theater is on hold until enough funds are raised to complete the next phase. Block Grant funding for the street repair will be announced within the next month. If awarded, \$900,000 will reconstruct 2.4 miles of roadway. The dog trot house will be moved to the park next week. Curtis Hudnall donated the house, restoration funds, and will assist with the move. Due to the increase in vandalism, the recreation committee, Mayor and Police Chief will study the need for security cameras in the park.

Donny Richardson would like to see a farmer's market this spring. We have a location and just need a group of people willing to organize it.

As there was no other business to be brought before the Mayor and Town Council, Mr. Richardson made a motion seconded by Mr. Kendrick to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

TOWN CLERK, Cory Floyd

MAYOR, Murphy R. McMillin