

**Town of Jena  
Regular Meeting  
February 10, 2015**

The Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Jena, Louisiana, met in regular session on Tuesday, February 10, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. at their regular meeting place, the Town Hall.

Mayor LaDawn Cooper Edwards called the meeting to order and Reverend Dan McClure opened the meeting with prayer and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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

Mr. Jones made a motion seconded by Mr. Chapman to take agenda items 10, to accept the resignation of Councilman Joe Phillips, and 11, to appoint Steve Sanders as Councilman to serve until a special election is held, out of order. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Richardson made a motion seconded by Mr. Chapman to accept the resignation of Councilman Joe Phillips. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Sandifer made a motion seconded by Mr. Jones to appoint Steve Sanders as Councilman to serve until a special election is held. Motion unanimously passed.

At this time Steve Sanders was sworn in by LaSalle Parish Clerk of Court Steve Andrews and Mr. Sanders took his seat as Councilman.

Mr. Richardson made a motion seconded by Mr. Chapman to adopt a resolution awarding the contract for Roadway Improvements Project-FY 2013 LCDBG #729205 to T.L. Construction in the amount of \$257,375 and authorizing the Mayor to sign all contracts, estimates and change orders between the Town of Jena and the contractor. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Sandifer made a motion seconded by Mr. Jones to approve the recommended changes to the employee health insurance plan effective March 1, 2015. The changes are as follows:

Current Benefits

Product	<b>GroupCare - PPO</b>
Product Plan	<b>Group Care copay 70/50 \$2000</b>
INN Deductible	<b>\$2,000</b>
Coinsurance	<b>70% / 50%</b>
INN Out of Pocket	<b>\$6,350</b>
PCP Copayment	<b>\$40</b>
Specialist Copayment	<b>\$55</b>
Drug	<b>15/40/70/10%</b>

New Benefits

Product	<b>GroupCare - PPO</b>
Product Plan	<b>Group Care copay 70/50 \$500A</b>
INN Deductible	<b>\$500</b>
Coinsurance	<b>70% / 50%</b>
INN Out of Pocket	<b>\$4,500</b>
PCP Copayment	<b>\$20</b>
Specialist Copayment	<b>\$35</b>
Drug	<b>7/30/70/10%</b>

Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Sanders made a motion seconded by Mr. Jones to hire Kevin McIntyre as a full-time police officer effective January 29, 2015. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Richardson made a motion seconded by Mr. Sandifer to introduce Ordinance #202 to annex the Brandel and Pamela Poole property located at 168 Clay White Road. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Chapman made a motion seconded by Mr. Sanders to adopt a proclamation calling for a special election to be held. The special election will be held with the next scheduled election October 24, 2015, primary and November 21, 2015, general with qualifying dates being September 8, 9, and 10, 2015. Motion unanimously passed.

Assistant Fire Chief Dave Springer presented the fire report.

Police Chief Scott McLendon presented the police report.

Superintendent David Miller presented the superintendent's report.

Mayor Edwards announced that she attended and learned a lot at the LMA Mid-Winter Conference last week. She also thanked the Council for agreeing to delay this week for a week to allow her to attend. She has also been working to Susan Russell with Keep Louisiana Beautiful to start an anti-litter campaign. There is a possibility grants will be available through this program. In the coming weeks potatoes will be planted in the Community Garden.

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 6:14 p.m.

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TOWN CLERK, Cory Floyd

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MAYOR, LaDawn Cooper Edwards