

**Town of Jena
Regular Meeting
March 5, 2019**

The Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Jena, Louisiana, met in regular session on Tuesday, March 5, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. at their regular meeting place, the Town Hall.

Mayor LaDawn Cooper Edwards called the meeting to order; Councilman David Paul Jones opened the meeting with prayer, and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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

Mr. Sandifer made a motion seconded by Mr. Jones to approve the financial report. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Chapman made a motion seconded by Mr. Francis to open a public hearing to hear comments on the 2018 General Fund Budget Amendment. Motion unanimously passed.

No comments were made.

Mr. Sandifer made a motion seconded by Mr. Jones to close the public hearing. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Chapman made a motion seconded by Mr. Francis to adopt the 2018 General Fund Budget Amendment. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Richardson made a motion seconded by Mr. Jones to introduce an amendment to Ordinance 131-Personnel Policies. Motion unanimously passed.

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

Fire Chief Josh Corley presented the fire report.

Police Chief Scott McLendon presented the police report.

Superintendent David Miller presented the utility report.

Mayor Edwards announced that the basketball court should be installed as soon as the weather permits with a grand opening being held shortly thereafter. The chairs for the Strand Theater have been ordered and will be delivered in 10-12 weeks. The Third Street project is moving along. Progressive construction is installing concrete drains along Third Street. The

Senior Citizens Center received a new roof recently. Easter in the Park will be held on Good Friday, April 19th. Sales tax collections for February 2018 were 70,935.46 compared to 2019 collections of \$77,790.63.

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 6:18 p.m.

TOWN CLERK, Cory Floyd

MAYOR, LaDawn Cooper Edwards