

**Town of Jena
Regular Meeting
February 9, 2010**

The Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Jena, Louisiana, met in regular session on Tuesday, February 9, 2010, at 6:00 p.m. at their regular meeting place, the Town Hall.

Mayor Murphy McMillin called the meeting to order and Councilman Donnie Kendrick opened the meeting with prayer.

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

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

Mr. Newburg made a motion seconded by Mr. Kendrick to approve changing the coinsurance on the employee health plan from 80/60 to 60/40 and to accept the rate increase of 8.2%. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Newburg made a motion seconded by Mr. Kendrick to approve 2010 employee salary/wage increases in the amount of \$31,000 to be distributed on a merit basis and go into effect the first payroll in March. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Newburg made a motion seconded by Mr. Richardson to adopt a resolution for the Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Plan. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Richardson made a motion seconded by Mr. Sandifer to adopt a resolution for communicating information to persons with sensory impairments for the upcoming LCDBG wastewater project. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Jones made motion seconded by Mr. Kendrick to adopt a resolution establishing grievance procedures for the upcoming LCDBG wastewater project. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Newburg made a motion seconded by Mr. Richardson to adopt a resolution approving the application for grant funds from the FHWA Recreational Trails program for Louisiana. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Richardson made a motion seconded by Mr. Jones to adopt a resolution of support for the FHWA Recreations Trails grant application. Motion unanimously passed.

Fire Chief Don Smith presented the fire report.

Police Chief Paul Smith presented the police report.

Superintendent Don Jones presented the superintendent's report.

In the Mayor's report Mayor McMillin reported that the bids for the LCDBG wastewater project will be opened Thursday, February 25, 2010, at 10:00 a.m. The Mayor has just returned from the New Partners for Smart Growth conference in Seattle, Washington. This was a very informative trip and will be beneficial as we implement the long range plan. We have applied for \$600,000 from the LCDBG program to fund to street repairs. The Louisiana Economic Development Pilot project is nearing its end. The committee has finished four out of five parts. The final piece of this project is the marketing plan.

As there was no other business to be brought before the Mayor and Town Council, Mr. Richardson made a motion seconded by Mr. Sandifer to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

TOWN CLERK, Cory Floyd

MAYOR, Murphy R. McMillin