

**Town of Jena
Regular Meeting
July 5, 2011**

The Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Jena, Louisiana, met in regular session on Tuesday, July 5, 2011, 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. Town Attorney Steve Kendrick led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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

Mr. Richardson made a motion seconded by Mr. Kendrick to add the item "Endorse the appointment of a new executive director of the Jena Housing Authority" to the agenda as agenda item #8. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Sandifer made a motion seconded by Mr. Newburg to authorize the Mayor to sign an agreement with nCourt, LLC for credit/debit card services. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Richardson made a motion seconded by Mr. Kendrick to adopt a resolution in support of applying for Transportation Enhancement Funding. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Jones made a motion seconded by Mr. Sandifer to adopt a resolution in support of applying for a street improvement project through Louisiana Community Development Block Grant Program (LCDBG). Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Kendrick made a motion seconded by Mr. Newburg to endorse the appointment of a new executive director of the Jena Housing Authority. Motion unanimously passed.

Fire Chief Josh Corley presented the fire report.

Town Clerk Cory Floyd presented the police report.

Superintendent Don Jones presented the superintendent's report.

In the Mayor's report Mayor McMillin reported that he and Superintendent Don Jones had recently met with school board and police jury officials to discuss the needed road(s) to the new Jena Elementary School. The upgrade of East Sharbono Street and the extension of Third Street was discussed. Utilities will also have to be extended to the area. Construction for the "2011-84-Streetscape Pilot" is set to begin this week and should be completed by mid-September. LEAD LaSalle 2 is planned for July 12, 14, 19

and 21. All participants from LEAD LA 1 taught in October last year are encouraged to enroll in the classes.

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 6:57 p.m.

TOWN CLERK, Cory Floyd

MAYOR, Murphy R. McMillin