

**Town of Jena
Regular Meeting
October 12, 2010**

The Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Jena, Louisiana, met in regular session on Tuesday, October 12, 2010, at 6:00 p.m. at their regular meeting place, the Town Hall.

Mayor Murphy McMillin called the meeting to order and Councilman Carl Newburg opened the meeting with prayer.

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

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

Mr. Newburg made a motion seconded by Mr. Jones to approve rental of the old Town Hall utility office for LEDD Community Development Executive Director. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Sandifer made a motion seconded by Mr. Kendrick to adopt a resolution approving the Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant match. Motion unanimously passed.

The Mayor and Council discussed the upcoming renewal of the 25 year franchise agreement for the town's electrical service. No action was taken. This item will be addressed in the November meeting.

Assistant Fire Chief Josh Corley presented the fire report.

Police Chief Paul Smith presented the police report.

Superintendent Don Jones presented the superintendent's report.

Each Councilman, the Mayor and Superintendent were asked to identify streets in need of repair. The list is as follows: East High School to Peyton, East and West Tennessee, South Dogwood, Louisiana, Nugent, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, Mary, Evergreen, Peyton, and Sycamore.

In the Mayor's report Mayor McMillin announced that we are now using a different collection agency, American Municipal Services. Retail sales are down 3 ¼% compared to 2009, which was the highest in history. The budget process starts this week. Revenue will be very tight. The Jena High School homecoming parade starts at 1:00 p.m. Friday. Howdy Neighbor Day will be held Saturday at the town park. A new recreation director, Dana Little, has been hired. The final LEAD Louisiana class was held today.

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 7:07 p.m.

TOWN CLERK, Cory Floyd

MAYOR, Murphy R. McMillin