

**REGULAR MEETING
MAY 18, 2017
6:30 P.M.**

The Mayor and Councilmen of the Town of Jean Lafitte met in a Regular Meeting with the following members present: Mayor Kerner, Councilman Bartholomew, Councilman Creppel, Councilman Guillie, Councilman LeBeau, Councilman Smith. Mayor Kerner presided calling the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m. asking everyone to rise and pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

On a motion by Councilman Bartholomew and seconded by Councilman Smith the following was offered:

A motion to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 12, 2017.

YEAS: 5

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

SUMMARY ORDINANCE #490

On a motion by Councilman Guillie the following ordinance was offered:

An ordinance amending the 2016/2017 General Fund Operating Budget for the Town of Jean Lafitte.

	FYE 2016/2017 ORIGINAL	FYE 2016/2017 AS AMENDED	\$ CHANGE	% CHANGE
GENERAL FUND OPERATING BUDGET				
OPERATING REVENUES				
Taxes	\$ 313,750	\$ 316,500	\$ 2,750	0.9%
Intergovernmental	959,850	351,750	(608,100)	-63.4%
Licenses and Permits	60,600	60,450	(150)	-0.2%
Service Charges, Fees and Commissions	127,700	73,100	(54,600)	-42.8%
Fines and Forfeitures	11,250	15,000	3,750	33.3%
Gaming Fees and Commissions	339,200	338,700	(500)	-0.1%
Interest Income	100	3,500	3,400	3400.0%
Other Income	38,800	1,569,415	1,530,615	3944.9%
Total Revenues	1,851,250	2,728,415	877,165	47.4%
OPERATING EXPENDITURES				
General Government				
Salaries and Benefits	464,550	544,550	80,000	17.2%
General and Administrative Costs	476,700	580,550	103,850	21.8%
Public Safety	148,000	180,000	32,000	21.6%
Public Works	750	16,000	15,250	2033.3%
Urban Planning and Housing	711,410	20,000	(691,410)	-97.2%
Culture and Recreation	41,500	50,250	8,750	21.1%
Debt Service	-	-	-	#DIV/0!
Capital Outlay	26,000	6,000	(20,000)	-76.9%
Total Expenditures	1,868,910	1,397,350	(471,560)	-25.2%
Current Year Surplus (Deficit)	(17,660)	1,331,065	1,348,725	-7637.2%
Beginning Fund Balance	325,003	277,408	(47,595)	-14.6%
Ending Fund Balance	\$ 307,343	\$ 1,608,473	\$ 1,301,130	423.3%

SUMMARY ORDINANCE #491

On a motion by Councilman Creppel the following ordinance was offered:

An ordinance introducing the 2017/2018 General Fund Operating Budget for the Town of Jean Lafitte.

GENERAL FUND OPERATING BUDGET		AS PROPOSED					
OPERATING REVENUES							
	Taxes	\$	319,000				
	Intergovernmental		916,750				
	Licenses and Permits		60,450				
	Service Charges, Fees and Commissions		113,600				
	Fines and Forfeitures		15,000				
	Gaming Fees and Commissions		338,700				
	Interest Income		3,000				
	Other Income		54,500				
	Total Revenues		<u>1,821,000</u>				
OPERATING EXPENDITURES							
	General Government						
	Salaries and Benefits		550,550				
	General and Administrative Costs		534,750				
	Public Safety		175,000				
	Public Works		1,000				
	Urban Planning and Housing		691,500				
	Culture and Recreation		47,000				
	Debt Service		-				
	Capital Outlay		7,500				
	Total Expenditures		<u>2,007,300</u>				
	Current Year Surplus (Deficit)		(186,300)				
	Beginning Fund Balance		1,608,523				
	Ending Fund Balance	\$	<u>1,422,223</u>				

SUMMARY RESUBDIVISION ORDINANCE #401

On a motion by Councilman Guillie the following ordinance was offered:

An ordinance approving the plan of resubdivision of Lot 35 and Lot 37, Oak Grove Subdivision Extension "A", Town of Jean Lafitte, Parish of Jefferson, Louisiana, into Lot 35A and Lot 37A, Oak Grove Subdivision Extension "A", Town of Jean Lafitte, Parish of Jefferson, Louisiana.

WHEREAS, Louis Ekinia and Katherine Ekinia are the owners of Lot 35 and 37, Oak Grove Subdivision Extension "A", Town of Jean Lafitte, Parish of Jefferson, Louisiana.

WHEREAS, said owner desires to resubdivide Lot 35 and Lot 37, Oak Grove Subdivision Extension "A", Town of Jean Lafitte, Parish of Jefferson, Louisiana, into Lot 35A and Lot 37A, Oak Grove Subdivision Extension "A", Town of Jean Lafitte, Parish of Jefferson, Louisiana, all accordance with plan of survey and resubdivision by Dufrene Surveying, dated April 18, 2017.

RESOLUTION #2025

On motion of Councilman Guillie seconded by Councilman LeBeau the following resolution was adopted:

A resolution selecting Meyer Engineers, Ltd. to provide professional services for the Wetlands Education Center.

WHEREAS, the Town of Jean Lafitte desires to construct a Wetlands Education Center; and

WHEREAS, Meyer Engineers, Ltd. will perform architectural and engineering design; and

WHEREAS, Meyer Engineers, Ltd. is authorized to provide these services with support from Evans-Graves Engineers, Inc. who will perform structural design.

SECTION 1. That the Town of Jean Lafitte does hereby select the firm of Meyer Engineers, Ltd. to provide professional services for the Wetlands Education Center.

SECTION 2. That the Town of Jean Lafitte shall negotiate a contract with the consultant selected herein.

YEAS: 5

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

Councilman Bartholomew
Councilman Creppel
Councilman Guillie
Councilman LeBeau
Councilman Smith

RESOLUTION #2026

On a motion by Councilman Bartholomew and seconded by Councilman Smith the following resolution was adopted:

A resolution approving grand opening funds in the amount of \$5,000 for The JulesNunez Fisheries Market for Saturday, June 10, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

YEAS: 5

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

Councilman Bartholomew
Councilman Creppel
Councilman Guillie
Councilman LeBeau
Councilman Smith

RESOLUTION # 2027

On a motion by Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Creppel the following resolution was adopted:

A resolution granting Mayor Kerner permission to commission the Pirogue Races.

YEAS: 5

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

Councilman Bartholomew
Councilman Creppel
Councilman Guillie
Councilman LeBeau
Councilman Smith

RESOLUTION # 2028

On a motion by Councilman LeBeau and seconded by Councilman Creppel the following resolution was adopted:

A resolution approving \$15,000 signage for the Jean Lafitte Art Gallery, Jules Nunez Fisheries Market and the Wetlands Museum.

YEAS: 5

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

Councilman Bartholomew
Councilman Creppel
Councilman Guillie
Councilman LeBeau
Councilman Smith

RESOLUTION # 2029

On a motion by Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Creppel the following resolution was adopted:

A resolution authorizing Mayor Kerner to transfer the property located at 5041 Shell Road,

WHEREAS, the amount of the transfer will be \$10 and other valuable consideration, that consideration being the transferee bring the property up to code and make any and all necessary repairs so that the property is not blighted or unsightly condition.

WHEREAS, Mayor Kerner has permission to sign and all documents pertaining to this matter.

YEAS: 5 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0
Councilman Bartholomew
Councilman Creppel
Councilman Guillie
Councilman LeBeau
Councilman Smith

RESOLUTION # 2030

On a motion by Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman LeBeau the following resolution was adopted:

A resolution approving the contract with Redflex.

WHEREAS, Mayor Kerner has permission to sign any and all documents pertaining to this matter.

YEAS: 5 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0
Councilman Bartholomew
Councilman Creppel
Councilman Guillie
Councilman LeBeau
Councilman Smith

RESOLUTION # 2031

On a motion by Councilman LeBeau and seconded by Councilman Bartholomew the following resolution was adopted:

A resolution authorizing Harry Cahill, III to be the Town Monitor for the Redflex traffic citations.

YEAS: 5 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0
Councilman Bartholomew
Councilman Creppel
Councilman Guillie
Councilman LeBeau
Councilman Smith

RESOLUTION # 2032

On a motion by Councilman Bartholomew and seconded by Councilman Smith the following resolution was adopted:

A resolution asking the Department of Transportation to name the new Goose Bayou Bridge, the Jules Nunez Goose Bayou Bridge.

WHEREAS, Jules Nunez served as a committee chairman for the existing Goose Bayou Bridge,

WHEREAS, he was also instrumental in the construction of the existing Goose Bayou bridge

YEAS: 5 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0
Councilman Bartholomew
Councilman Creppel
Councilman Guillie
Councilman LeBeau
Councilman Smith

On a motion by Councilman Bartholomew and seconded by Councilman Creppel the meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Town Clerk