**EMERGENCY MEETING**

**SEPTEMBER 13, 2020**

**1:30 P.M.**

The Mayor and Councilmen of the Town of Jean Lafitte met in an Emergency Meeting with the following members present: Mayor Kerner, Jr., Councilman Bartholomew, Councilman Creppel, Councilman LeBeau and Councilman Smith. Absent: Councilman Guillie.

Mayor Timothy Kerner, Jr. notified Councilman Bartholomew, Councilman Creppel and Councilman Smith by phone on September 13, 2020.

The Town Clerk notified Councilman Guillie and Councilman LeBeau by phone on September 13, 2020.

Mayor Kerner presided calling the meeting to order at 1:50 p.m. asking everyone to rise and pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

**RESOLUTION #2165**

**On a motion by Councilman Creppel and Councilman Bartholomew the following resolution was adopted:**

**A RESOLUTION DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY – TROPICAL STORM SALLY**

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Homeland Security and Emergency Assistance and Disaster Act, R.S. 29:721, et seq., confers upon the Governor of the State of Louisiana emergency powers to deal with emergencies and disasters, including those caused by fire, flood, earthquake or other natural or manmade causes, in order to ensure that preparations of this State will be adequate to deal with such emergencies or disasters and to preserve the lives and property of the people of the State of Louisiana;WHEREAS, when the Governor determines that a disaster or emergency has occurred, or the threat thereof is imminent, R.S. 29:724(B)(1) empowers him to declare a state of emergency by executive order or proclamation which he has done as of the 12TH day of September 2020. WHEREAS, R.S.29:727 sets forth that the Parish President may declare that a state of emergency exists which shall continue until she finds that the threat of danger has been dealt with to the extent that emergency conditions no longer exist and Parish President Cynthia Lee Shang has made such a declaration on the 12th day of September 2020. WHEREAS, the imminent threat and after effects of tropical storm conditions creating the heavy rainfall in coastal parishes, coastal flooding and flash flooding in coastal and inland parishes caused by the system currently known as Tropical Storm Sally as it tracks northwestward over the State of Louisiana creates a threat to the lives and property of the citizens of the State of Louisiana and Parish of Jefferson and justifies emergency protective measures to guard against such threats;NOW THEREFORE I, Timothy P. Kerner, Jr., Mayor of the Town of Jean Lafitte , a local political subdivision of the State of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:SECTION 1: A state of emergency is declared to exist from September 13, 2020 in the area included within the Town of Jean Lafitte as a result of emergency conditions created by Tropical Storm Sally that threaten the lives and property of the citizens living within the boundaries of the Town of Jean Lafitte with an emergency meeting set for 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, September 13, 2020.SECTION 2: Any activity authorized by law which is deemed necessary and appropriate will be taken to protect the lives and property of the citizens that live within the boundaries of the Town of Jean Lafitte in response to this declaration.SECTION 3: The state of emergency extends for thirty (30) days from Sunday, September 13, 2020, unless terminated sooner.

SECTION 4: A mandatory evacuation will be effective on Monday, September 14, 2020 at noon.

*YEAS: 4 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1*

*Councilman Bartholomew Councilman Guillie*

*Councilman Creppel*

*Councilman LeBeau*

*Councilman Smith*

*No. further business was discussed. The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.*

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 Town Clerk