

**EMERGENCY MEETING
AUGUST 22, 2020
4:00 P.M.**

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

Mayor Timothy Kerner, Jr. notified the Councilmen by phone.

Mayor Kerner presided calling the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. asking everyone to rise and pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

RESOLUTION #2158

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

A RESOLUTION DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY – TROPICAL STORMS LAURA AND MARCO.

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 21st day of August 2020.

WHEREAS, R.S.29:727 sets forth that the Parish President may declare that a state of emergency exists which shall continue until he 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 21st day of August 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 Storms Laura and Marco 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 August 22, 2020 in the area included within the Town of Jean Lafitte as a result of emergency conditions created by Tropical Storms Laura and Marco 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 4:00 p.m. on August 22, 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 Saturday, August 22, 2020, unless terminated sooner.

YEAS: 3
Councilman Creppel
Councilman Guillie
Councilman Smith

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 2
Councilman Bartholomew
Councilman LeBeau

No further business was discussed. The meeting was adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

Town Clerk

