

**REGULAR MEETING  
JULY 12, 2023  
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 Jr. Councilman Creppel, Councilman Kerner, Jr. and Councilman Smith. Absent: Councilman Bartholomew and Councilman Darda. Mayor Kerner presided calling the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m. asking everyone to rise and pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Budget to Actual Comparisons was given to the Mayor and Council.

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

A motion to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 14, 2023.

YEAS: 3

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 2

**ZONING ORDINANCE #42**

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

A zoning ordinance approving the zoning of 5106 Couevas Street, Lafitte, Lot #16-B1, Marvis Grove Subdivision, from Commercial to Residential.

**WHEREAS**, Robert Perrin is the owner of the property located at 5106 Couevas Street, Lafitte, Lot #16-B1, Marvis Grove Subdivision,

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Perrin will reside in a mobile home at this address.

YEAS: 3

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 2

Councilman Creppel

Councilman Bartholomew

Councilman Kerner, Jr.

Councilman Darda

Councilman Smith

**SUMMARY ORDINANCE #521**

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

An ordinance amending Ordinance #439 which is the rental rates for the Civic Center located in the Leo E. Kerner Jr. Multipurpose Complex.

WHEREAS, the cost of a day time event between the hours of 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., will be one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) per hour with a minimum of three (3) hours.

WHEREAS, the cost of an evening/night event between the hours of 5:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m., will be two hundred dollars (\$200) per hour with a minimum of four (4) hours.

WHEREAS, four (4) hours for set up are included in the rental price. Additional set up time will be one hundred dollars (\$100) per hour.

WHEREAS, a deposit of two hundred dollars (\$200) is due at the time of booking,

WHEREAS, the remaining balance is due thirty (30) days prior to the event.

WHEREAS, events cancelled within thirty (30) days will receive a full refund unless event date is within six (6) months of cancellation date. No refunds will be allowed within six (6) months of the scheduled event.

WHEREAS, decorations on walls and ceiling are prohibited.

WHEREAS, Management will determine if a Town of Jean Lafitte police detail is required for the duration of the event plus one hour following the event.

## **SUMMARY ORDINANCE #522**

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

An ordinance amending Ordinance #508 which is the rental rates for the Jean Lafitte Auditorium.

WHEREAS, the cost of a four (4) hour event will be three thousand dollars (\$3,000) for local residents and four thousand dollars (\$4,000) for nonresidents.

WHEREAS, the cost of an additional hour will be five hundred dollars (\$500).

WHEREAS, four (4) hours for set up are included in the rental price. Additional set up time will be one hundred dollars (\$100) per hour.

WHEREAS, a nonrefundable deposit of five hundred dollars (\$500) is due at booking.

WHEREAS, 50% of the remaining balance is due six (6) months prior to the event. Final balance is due six (6) months prior to the event. All payments are nonrefundable.

WHEREAS, the cost of a ceremony will be an additional two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250).

WHEREAS, All events booked after August 31, 2023 will be required to use in-house food and beverages,

WHEREAS, A credit card must be on file for all events at the Auditorium, pending PCI Data Security Standard approval and Attestation of Compliance. The card on file will be charged for all damages immediately following the event.

WHEREAS, An additional three hundred dollar (\$300) fee will be incurred after the use of any banned items. Banned items include rice, bubbles, confetti, sparklers, or any other hazardous decorations.

WHEREAS, decorations on walls and ceiling are prohibited,

WHEREAS, a Town of Jean Lafitte police detail is required for all events for the duration of the event plus one hour following the event. The number of police detail officers will be determined by management.

## **SUMMARY ORDINANCE #523**

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

An ordinance amending rental fees for the Jules Nunez Fisheries Market.

### **Weddings, Private Parties and Corporate Events:**

WHEREAS, the cost of a four (4) hour event excluding showers and banquets will be one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500) for local residents and two thousand dollars (\$2,000) for nonresidents.

WHEREAS, the cost of an additional hour will be five hundred dollars (\$500).

WHEREAS, a nonrefundable deposit of five hundred dollars (\$500) is due at booking.

WHEREAS, the nonrefundable balance is due thirty (30) days prior to the event.

WHEREAS, a Town of Jean Lafitte police detail is required for all events for the duration of the event plus one hour following the event. The number of police detail officers will be determined by management.

**Showers and Banquets:**

WHEREAS, the cost of a shower or banquet on the back covered deck of the market is one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) an hour with a minimum of three (3) hours.

WHEREAS, a nonrefundable deposit of two hundred dollars (\$200) for showers/ banquets is due at booking.

WHEREAS, the remaining nonrefundable balance is due thirty (30) days prior to all events.

**RESOLUTION #2291**

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

A resolution approving Change Order #5 for the Louisiana Wetlands Center.

WHEREAS, Mailin Construction is the contractor,

WHEREAS, change order #5 is for pole relocation in the amount of \$1,848.00.

**SECTION 1.** The Mayor of the Town of Jean Lafitte is hereby authorized to sign and approve any and all documents necessary to give full force and effect to this resolution.

YEAS: 3	NAYS: 0	ABSENT: 2
Councilman Creppel		Councilman Bartholomew
Councilman Kerner, Jr.		Councilman Darda
Councilman Smith		

**RESOLUTION #2292**

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

A resolution approving Change Order #7 for the Louisiana Wetlands Center.

WHEREAS, Mailin Construction is the contractor,

WHEREAS, change order #7 is for general conditions and an additional 61 days,

**SECTION 1.** The Mayor of the Town of Jean Lafitte is hereby authorized to sign and approve any and all documents necessary to give full force and effect to this resolution.

YEAS: 3	NAYS: 0	ABSENT: 2
Councilman Creppel		Councilman Bartholomew
Councilman Kerner, Jr.		Councilman Darda
Councilman Smith		

**RESOLUTION #2293**

On a motion by Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Kerner, Jr. the following resolution was adopted:

A resolution giving Mayor Kerner, Jr. permission to negotiate the rental agreement between the Town of Jean Lafitte and Anytime Fitness.

**SECTION 1.** The Mayor of the Town of Jean Lafitte is hereby authorized to sign and approve any and all documents necessary to give full force and effect to this resolution.

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Councilman Creppel		Councilman Bartholomew
Councilman Kerner, Jr.		Councilman Darda
Councilman Smith		

**RESOLUTION #2294**

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

A resolution accepting the bid from Tuna Construction for the Lafitte Warehouse project, pending Facility Planning & Control approval.

WHEREAS, the amount of the bid is \$897,000.

**SECTION 1.** The Mayor of the Town of Jean Lafitte is hereby authorized to sign and approve any and all documents necessary to give full force and effect to this resolution.

YEAS: 3	NAYS: 0	ABSENT: 2
Councilman Creppel		Councilman Bartholomew
Councilman Kerner, Jr.		Councilman Darda
Councilman Smith		

**RESOLUTION #2295**

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

A resolution approving the transfer of Hurricane Ida donations from the Town of Jean Lafitte general fund to the Groovy Fund.

WHEREAS, the amount donated will be one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000).

**SECTION 1.** The Mayor of the Town of Jean Lafitte is hereby authorized to sign and approve any and all documents necessary to give full force and effect to this resolution.

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Councilman Kerner, Jr.		Councilman Darda
Councilman Smith		

**RESOLUTION #2296**

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

A resolution approving Cassie Freney as a Reserve Police Officer for the Town of Jean Lafitte.

WHEREAS, Cassie Freney is post certified with the State of Louisiana,

**SECTION 1.** The Mayor of the Town of Jean Lafitte is hereby authorized to sign and approve any and all documents necessary to give full force and effect to this resolution.

YEAS: 3	NAYS: 0	ABSENT: 2
Councilman Creppel		Councilman Bartholomew
Councilman Kerner, Jr.		Councilman Darda
Councilman Smith		

No further business was discussed. On a motion by Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Kerner Jr. the meeting was adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

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Town Clerk

