

**REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 9, 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 6:38 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.

Lauren Martin gave a presentation on the rental fee updates for the municipal buildings which include the Jean Lafitte Auditorium, Civic Center and Jules Nunez Market.

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

A motion to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 12, 2023.

YEAS: 3

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 2

ORDINANCE #521

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

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.

YEAS: 3

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 2

Councilman Creppel
Councilman Kerner, Jr.
Councilman Smith

Councilman Bartholomew
Councilman Darda

ORDINANCE #522

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

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 three (3) 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 (\$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.

YEAS: 3

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 2

Councilman Creppel

Councilman Kerner, Jr.

Councilman Smith

Councilman Bartholomew

Councilman Darda

ORDINANCE #523

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

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 and 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.

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

RESOLUTION #2297

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

A resolution approving Change Order #1 for the LA 45/LA 303 Rosethorne Path (Lafitte) in the amount of \$137,614 increasing the contract from \$1,204,877 to \$1,342,491.

WHEREAS, Gulf States Services LLC . is the contractor of this project,

WHEREAS, Mayor Timothy Kerner, Jr. has permission to sign any documents pertaining to this resolution,

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

RESOLUTION #2298

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

A resolution approving the Trick or Treating event that will be held on October 31, 2023.

WHEREAS, the town budget for this event will not exceed \$6,000.

WHEREAS, the event will be held at the Town Hall located at 2654 Jean Lafitte Blvd. Lafitte

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

RESOLUTION #2299

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

A resolution approving the Annual New Years Eve Dance.

WHEREAS, the event will be held on December 31, 2023 at the Jean Lafitte Auditorium

WHEREAS, alcoholic beverages will be served.

YEAS: 3	NAYS: 0	ABSENT: 2
Councilman Creppel		Councilman Bartholomew

Councilman Kerner, Jr.
Councilman Smith

Councilman Darda

RESOLUTION #2300

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

A resolution approving the St. Anthony 6th Annual Shrimp Kook Off on Saturday, September 23, 2023 from 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

WHEREAS, the kook off will be held outdoors at the St. Anthony Church Hall located at 2685 Jean Lafitte Blvd., Lafitte, LA 70067.

WHEREAS, alcoholic beverages will be served.

YEAS: 3

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 2

Councilman Creppel
Councilman Kerner, Jr.
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Councilman Darda

No further business was discussed. On a motion by Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Creppel the meeting was adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Town Clerk