

**REGULAR MEETING  
NOVEMBER 13, 2024  
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 Bartholomew, Councilman Creppel, Councilman Darda, Councilman Kerner Jr. and Councilman Smith. Mayor Kerner Jr. presided calling the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. asking everyone to rise and pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Budget to Actual Comparisons were distributed before the meeting.

Mayor Kerner reported on the projects in the area.

On a motion by Councilman Kerner Jr. and seconded by Councilman Bartholomew the following was offered:

A motion to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 9, 2024.

YEAS: 5

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

**ORDINANCE #527**

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

An ordinance amending the second amendment to the Flood Prevention Ordinance #492.

**WHEREAS, SECTION B. SPECIFIC AND HIGHER REGULATORY STANDARDS**

**(2) Nonresidential Construction** – new construction, substantial improvements, repair of substantial damage and repair of cumulative substantial damage of any commercial, industrial or other nonresidential structure or manufactured home shall either have the lowest floor (including basement) elevated to base flood level plus (+) two (2) feet of freeboard or together with attendant utility and sanitary facilities, be designed so that below the base flood level (+) two (2) feet of freeboard, the structure is watertight with walls substantially impermeable to the passage of water and with structural components having the capability of resisting hydrostatic and hydrodynamic loads and effects of buoyancy. A registered professional engineer or architect shall develop and/or review structural design, specifications, and plans for the construction, and shall certify that the design and methods of construction are in accordance with accepted standards of practice as outlined in this subsection. A record of such certification which includes the specific elevation (in relation to mean sea level) to which such structures are floodproofed or elevated shall be maintained by the Floodplain Administrator.

YEAS: 5

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

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

**RESOLUTION #2374**

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

A resolution approving Change Order #10 for the Wetlands Education Center.

WHEREAS, the amount of the change order is \$400,000

WHEREAS, the change order will remobilize to complete building,



WHEREAS, the vehicles can be viewed at 2607 Jean Lafitte Blvd. Lafitte, LA 70067 from 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., Monday – Friday except for Holidays.

WHEREAS, sealed bids will be accepted 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Monday – Friday excluding holidays at the Temporary Town Hall located at 4917 City Park Drive, Lafitte, LA 70067 until 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 8, 2025.

WHEREAS, the bids will be opened and awarded on Wednesday, January 8, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. at the Multipurpose Complex located at 4917 City Park Drive. Lafitte, LA 70067

WHEREAS, transactions between the bidder and the town must take place within 5 working days of accepting the bid,

**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: 5	NAYS: 0	ABSENT: 0
Councilman Bartholomew		
Councilman Creppel		
Councilman Darda		
Councilman Kerner Jr.		
Councilman Smith		

**RESOLUTION #2378**

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

A resolution approving Cassie Freeney as a Part Time Police Officer for the Town of Jean Lafitte.

WHEREAS, Ms. Freeney was currently serving as a Reserve Police Officer for the Town of Jean Lafitte since July 12, 2023,

WHEREAS, She 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: 5	NAYS: 0	ABSENT: 0
Councilman Bartholomew		
Councilman Creppel		
Councilman Darda		
Councilman Kerner Jr.		
Councilman Smith		

**RESOLUTION #2379**

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

A resolution approving the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for July 2023 through June 2024.

**SECTION 1.** Adoption of the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire is hereby granted.

**SECTION 2.** 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: 5	NAYS: 0	ABSENT: 0
Councilman Bartholomew		
Councilman Creppel		
Councilman Darda		
Councilman Kerner Jr.		
Councilman Smith		

**RESOLUTION #2380**

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

A resolution approving Paul Rivera, Harry Cahill and Jeff Adam as committee members for the (RFQ) Request for Qualifications for the Town of Jean Lafitte Manila Village Project.

**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: 5    NAYS: 0    ABSENT: 0  
Councilman Bartholomew  
Councilman Creppel  
Councilman Darda  
Councilman Kerner Jr.  
Councilman Smith

**RESOLUTION #2381**

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

A resolution approving a lease between the Town of Jean Lafitte and State Representative Timothy P. Kerner.

WHEREAS, the lease is for 799 Jean Lafitte Blvd. Lafitte, LA,

WHEREAS, this new monthly lease will take effect January 1, 2025,

WHEREAS, the lease will be \$250.00 per month

WHEREAS, Mayor Timothy Kerner Jr. has permission to sign any and all documents pertaining to this issue.

YEAS: 5    NAYS: 0    ABSENT: 0  
Councilman Bartholomew  
Councilman Creppel  
Councilman Darda  
Councilman Kerner Jr.  
Councilman Smith

No further business was discussed. On a motion by Councilman Darda and seconded by Councilman Bartholomew the meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

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Town Clerk