

**REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 11, 2018
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, Councilman Bartholomew, Councilman Creppel, Councilman Guillie, and Councilman LeBeau. Absent: Councilman Smith. Mayor Kerner presided calling the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. asking everyone to rise and pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

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

A motion to accept minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 14, 2018.

YEAS: 4

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1

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

A motion to add the following titles which include, Defintion, Cruelty in General, and Cruelty to Animals, Simple and Aggrevated to Summary Ordinance #493.

YEAS: 4

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1

ORDINANCE #493

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

An ordinance amending Ordinance #352 to include the following:

DEFINITION:

Confinement: to enclose within a boundary or to limit or restrict free movement by methods such as carriers, leash held by of age person, fenced yards, and/or kennels but does not include tethered or electric fences. Such does include car carrier, kennel, structure, or other legal restraint.

CRUELTY IN GENERAL:

- (a) No person shall ill-treat, neglect, abandon, or cruelly treat an animal. No person shall unnecessarily or cruelly beat, mutilate, kill, torture, inflict injury, or abuse, or cause or procure to be cruelly beaten, mutilated, killed, tortured, injured, or abused, any animal or commit any act which under any other law constitutes cruel treatment, or fail to provide obviously necessary veterinary care.
- (b) No animal shall be tethered as a means of stationary confinement; such stationary confinement by tethering shall be considered as cruel treatment.

CRUELTY TO ANIMALS, SIMPLE AND AGGREVATED:

Any person or entity, including the owner, harbinger, keeper of the animal, and/or property owner where animal is housed permanently or temporarily commits any of the following shall be guilty of simple cruelty to animals:

- (1) Overdrives, overloads, drives when overloaded, or overworks any living animal.

- (2) Having charge, custody, or possession of any animal, fails to provide proper food, water, shelter, sanitary and safe environment, or veterinary care.
- (3) Having charge, custody, or possession of any dog, cat, or other small pet fails to bring the animal inside the confines of the home or provide proper shelter which also includes insulation such as blanket, hay, newspaper when temperatures reach or fall below thirty-two (32) degrees Fahrenheit.
- (4) Carries or causes to be carried, a living animal in or upon a vehicle or otherwise, in a cruel or inhumane, or dangerous manner which includes but is not limited to carrying an animal in an open pickup truck without it being secured from both sides of the bed in an animal carrier appropriate for the size of the animal, carrying an animal on a flatbed vehicle, or allowing an animal to sit, stand, or walk on any equipment or toolbox inside the bed of the vehicle. Tethering is not an acceptable method of transferring an animal in an open truck, trailer or other similar vehicle or mode of transportation.

YEAS: 4
 Councilman Bartholomew
 Councilman Creppel
 Councilman Guillie
 Councilman LeBeau

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1
 Councilman Smith

RESOLUTION #2071

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

A resolution asking the Jefferson Parish President and the Jefferson Parish Council to consider a building moratorium on the Leo Kerner Jr./Lafitte Parkway for a further effective land use study.

WHEREAS, the green space along the Leo Kerner, Jr./ Lafitte Parkway is a valuable area with natural landscape for our parish,

WHEREAS, the integrity of the area and its natural beauty should be preserved as much as possible,

WHEREAS, we ask the Parish of Jefferson to attempt to have the property along the parkway developed as a conservation servitude as described in the Louisiana Conservation Act or in the alternative that the natural beauty of the area be preserved by a zoning plan that consist of larger lot size for custom homes, aesthetically enhanced sites for any commercial development with the style of development that coincide with the beauty and natural landscape of the National Park and historic Bayou Des Families.

YEAS: 4
 Councilman Bartholomew
 Councilman Creppel
 Councilman Guillie
 Councilman LeBeau

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1
 Councilman Smith

RESOLUTION #2072

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

A resolution approving the intergovernmental agreement between the Town of Jean Lafitte and Jefferson Parish for emergency contracts during an emergency event.

WHEREAS, Mayor Kerner has permission to sign any/or all agreements pertaining to this issue.

YEAS: 4
Councilman Bartholomew
Councilman Creppel
Councilman Guillie
Councilman LeBeau

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1
Councilman Smith

RESOLUTION #2073

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

A resolution requesting President Trump to impose tariffs on imported Shrimp from China.

WHEREAS, the Chinese government continues to unfairly spend hundreds of millions of dollars to dump underpriced shrimp into the United States and put our Shrimpers and Seafood Producers at an unfair disadvantage,

WHEREAS, the Town of Jean Lafitte Mayor and Council commends U.S. Senator Kennedy and the Louisiana Delegation on their efforts to protect the thousands of shrimpers who call Lafitte and all of the Gulf Coast home,

WHEREAS, China and other producers and importers continue to bring cheap product into Louisiana,

WHEREAS, imports of frozen warm-water shrimp from China alone were valued at an estimated \$101.9 million.

YEAS: 4
Councilman Bartholomew
Councilman Creppel
Councilman Guillie
Councilman LeBeau

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1
Councilman Smith

RESOLUTION #2074

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

A resolution granting permission to the Lafitte, Baratavia, Crown Point Volunteer Fire Department to have a can shake.

WHEREAS, The Fire Department will have one can shake a year.

YEAS: 4
Councilman Bartholomew
Councilman Creppel
Councilman Guillie
Councilman LeBeau

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1
Councilman Smith

On a motion by Councilman Guillie and seconded by Councilman Bartholomew the meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Town Clerk

