

NEW HAVEN BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

City Hall

January 21, 2016 @ 6PM

Present Were: Jeff Rogers, Mike Morris, Jane Masse, Nicole Pinkston, Chris Cecil, Freddy DeWitt, Kenneth Holbert, Tim Bartley, Keith Bartley, Theresa Thompson, Gene Cahoe, Fr. Chris Labucke, Guyula Johnson, Scotty Metcalf, Angela Mattingly and Joanie Corbin

The Mayor called the meeting to order. The pledge to the flag was recited.

Jeff stated that when an item is put on the **Board Meeting Agenda** that an explanation needs to accompany the person's name.

Theresa Thompson shared her New Year's Eve experience with the Board of Commissioners. She stated that a man tried breaking in her house. She asked the board if there was any way possible to have **police protection in New Haven seven (7) nights a week**. Nicole stated that she was currently in negotiations with the Nelson County Sheriff's Office to make that happen.

Guyula Johnson voiced her concerns on the cost of a minimum water bill in the city limits of New Haven. She feels that the minimum bill is too high. She asked the board to consider lowering the minimum cost. Jane said that she would gather information for the next meeting.

Old Business

Fire Department

Fred provided several 2015 reports for the board members to review. The following items were provided in the reports. See attached copies for complete details.

*From 1/1/15 thru 6/30/15 the city was billed for \$903.97 to cover training attendance, special training, responses and ½ of the annual firefighter's dinner.

*From 7/1/15 thru 12/31/15, the city paid out \$1705.00 for trainings and meetings per the 2015 Pay Classification Ordinance.

Police Department

Nicole reiterated that the city is currently talking with the Nelson County Sheriff's Office about assisting the New Haven Police Department as often as possible.

General Administration

A motion was made by Jane to approve the **Minutes of December 17, 2015 Meeting**. The motion was seconded by Chris. All voted in favor.

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The **December Financials and January Bills** were approved with a motion by Chris and a second by Mike. All voted in favor. Copies are attached.

Water and Sewer Department

Tim gave an update after speaking with Ashley Willoughby (LTADD) on the KIA Loan and CDBG Grant. Tim stated that we have been stalled for about 3 months due to changes on the staff and boards that were approving our grant and loan.

Jane made a motion to approve the **Contract for Professional Services** between the City of New Haven and Lincoln Trail Are Development District (LTADD) to handle the Community Development Block Grant. Nicole seconded the motion. See copy attached.

Street Department

A bill from **Mago** was received in the amount of **\$1500.00** for recent paving that was completed on St. Catherine Church property. Gene Cahoe addressed the board and explained why he felt that the city was responsible for the bill. He stated that a sewer line had sunk in on the property. He felt that the hole needed to be addressed immediately before someone got hurt, so he had Mago come and fix it.

Tim stated that the city replaced a sewer line on St. Catherine's property 7 years ago. He said that the city is only responsible for maintaining the sewer line for one (1) year after the construction date.

Chris said that he did not feel that the bill was the city's responsibility and made a motion to deny payment of the \$1500.00-Mago Bill. Nicole seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Gene Cahoe questioned the board's decision, saying that he didn't understand why they felt that they weren't responsible.

Jane stated that she felt the scope of the land was changed by St. Catherine when they turned the grassy area into a blacktopped parking lot, which could have resulted in the line sinking in.

Jeff said that the city was not responsible because the issue was never brought to the board of commissioners.

Gene asked what would happen if the ground fell in again. The consensus of the board was that St. Catherine Church would be responsible.

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Chris asked the clerks to send thank you letters to the participants of **Christmas in the Park**.

Tim asked the board to consider hiring **Weed Wizard, LLC** to clear the snow from the city streets if we should get all the snow that is in the forecast for tomorrow. After a short discussion, Chris made a motion to hire Weed Wizard LLC for a price of \$75 an hour per truck plus a \$10 processing fee. Mike seconded the motion. The company will be limited to 1 truck.

Jane asked the board to approve an **"Inclement Weather Plan"** for City Hall for Friday, January 22, 2016 just in case the forecasted snow comes in as predicted. Jane made a motion to allow Joanie to forward the phones to her house/cell if she was unable to get to work. Chris seconded the motion. Joanie will be paid for Friday. Angela has agreed to take the day off without pay, if she is unable to get to work.

Recreation

Veterans/Historical Center

Tessie was unable to attend the meeting.

Nicole made a motion to enter into **Executive Session for Personnel Issues – KRS.61.810**. Jane seconded the motion.

Jane made a motion to enter back into **regular session**. Chris seconded the motion.

Jeff said no resolution was made in executive session.

Mike made a motion to **adjourn** the meeting. Jane seconded the motion.

Mayor

Clerk

