

NEW HAVEN BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

City Hall – 302 Center Street, New Haven, KY 40051

September 19th, 2019 @ 5:00PM

Members Present: Mayor Tessie Cecil, Linda Mattingly, Ruth Faulkner, Lois Boley &, Mike Morris

Guests & Staff Present: Fred DeWitt, David Nalley, Corey Holbert, Joanie Corbin and Keith Bartley

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Cecil at 5:00pm. The pledge was recited.

Lois made a motion to appoint **Ruth Faulkner to fill the empty seat on the Board of Commissioners.** Linda seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Mayor Cecil administered the **“Oath of Office”** to Ruth Faulkner.

Linda made a motion to appoint Ruth to be the **department head for the Street department.** Lois seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

The **Meeting Minutes of August 15th, 2019** were approved with a motion by Linda and a second by Lois. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

The **August Financials and July Bills** were approved with a motion by Linda. Lois seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

New Business

Joanie asked the board to approve the new rental fee of \$150, with a refundable deposit of \$50 for the use of the Tessie R. Cecil Pavilion. The refundable deposit would change from \$75 to \$50. The \$25 will be used to pay Letitia Nalley to clean the restrooms in **Barry Hall** after a rental. When the pavilion is rented, the renters are allowed to use the Barry Hall restrooms. Linda made a motion to accept the new **pavilion rental fee.** She also stated that complimentary rentals will also be required to pay the \$25 cleaning fee. Lois seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Ideas and suggestions were discussed on what the City should do with the building located at 144 **Main Street**, which is owned by the City. No action was taken.

Joanie asked the board to consider offering our local businesses a **“Business Beautification Grant”**. The grant would be for renovations/improvements for the outside of their building to help beautify our city. The grant would be a matching grant, up to \$300 per business. The grant could be used for things such as, paint, landscaping, signs and pressure washing. An application would have to be submitted and a committee would review the application to approve or disapprove. If the expense was approved, a receipt would have to be provided to the City after the work was complete and a reimbursement check

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would be issued. Joanie stated that she would like to ask the Community Development Committee to add money to the budget for the grants.

After a short discussion, Linda made a motion to approve \$6000 for the "**Business Beautification**" grant and to approve a committee consisting of Joanie Corbin, David Nalley and Ruth Faulkner. Ruth seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Joanie reported that the City would be hosting the **Christmas Parade** this year. The parade will be on Sunday, December 8th @ 5:45PM. Mr. & Mrs. Claus will visit with the children at City Hall immediately following the parade. Joanie & Angela will also be working on revamping "Light up New Haven" at Simms' Park.

Tessie reported that the City had been awarded a **grant of \$4500** from the Bardstown-Nelson County Tourist and Convention Center. The funds are restricted and must be used to replace the 4 welcome signs at each entrance of the City.

Administration

Joanie read **Ordinance # 479 Series 2019 – 2019 Property Tax Rate**. This was the second reading of the ordinance. Linda made a motion to approve Ordinance #479 Series 2019. Lois seconded the motion. Roll Call – Ruth-abstained, Mike – yes, Lois – yes, Linda – yes, Tessie – yes Motion carried.

Linda made a motion to approve **Resolution # 2019-1**, which will impose a 1% administration fee on all City administered grants. Lois seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Police/Fire

Fred DeWitt stated that he still has no update on the **FEMA grant**.

Water & Sewer

A motion was made by Linda to enter executive session per KRS **61.810(1)(c) to discuss pending litigation**. Lois seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Linda voted to re-enter **regular session**. Mike seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

No action was taken in executive session.

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Linda made a motion to enter executive session per **KRS 61.810(g) for discussion between a public agency and a representative of a business entity and discussions concerning a specific proposal**. Lois seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Ruth made a motion to re-enter regular session. Mike seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Linda made a motion to approve a **“Memorandum of Agreement”** presented by Jim Lemieux for negotiations between the City and Wally Dant (Log Still Distilling, LLC) in relation to our sewer rehabilitation, pending the City attorney’s approval. Lois seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Street

Linda reported that she will be meeting with Greg Matthews (KRM) on October 1, 2019 at 1:30pm to discuss the **paving issue on South First Street**. She asked Ruth to attend the meeting also since she is the street commissioner.

Joanie reported that Nick Van Over with the KY Transportation Cabinet said that the city’s application has been reviewed, the streets have been inspected and that they are just waiting for another cycle to open before announcing the recipient’s names that will receive a portion of the **“Discretionary Funds”**.

Recreation

No report was given.

Historical Preservation/Informational Center/Military/Veterans Center

Tessie stated that she hosted a **business meeting** on Tuesday, September 17th and that she had a good turnout. She also informed the board that she is collecting photos for the Bicentennial events, planning the Veterans Celebration and hosting the Youth Leadership. She obtained two sponsors (Adam Wheatley – Farm Bureau & Cundiff’s Heating & Air) for the Youth Leadership Program. She also reported that she had received a \$400 donation from Randy and Pam Coulter for the Veterans Center.

Tessie encouraged everyone to fill out the **Census surveys** that will be delivered this month.

Linda made a motion to enter executive session per **KRS 61.810(f) to discuss possible appointment, discipline, or dismissal of an individual employee**. Mike seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

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Linda made a motion to re-enter **regular session**. Mike seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

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Linda made a motion to **adjourn** the meeting. Ruth seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Mayor

City Clerk