

## NEW HAVEN BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

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

April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020 @ 1:00PM

**Members Present:** Mayor Tessie Cecil, Lois Boley, Linda Mattingly & Ruth Faulkner  
Mike Morris was unable to attend.

**Guests & Staff Present:** James Lemieux, Scottie Metcalf, Joanie Corbin and Keith Bartley

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Cecil at 1:00pm. The pledge was recited.

Mayor Cecil explained that Forest Berkshire, the editor of the Kentucky Standard challenged our emergency meeting that was held on Wednesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2020. He felt that the meeting violated the Kentucky Open Meetings Act's notification requirements. Mayor Cecil stated that she felt that the emergency meeting was justified, but she would follow Mr. Berkshire's recommendation by declaring all action taken during the emergency meeting is null and void.

The **Meeting Minutes of February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020** were approved with a motion by Linda and a second by Ruth. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

The **Meeting Minutes of March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020** were approved with a motion by Ruth and a second by Lois. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

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

Mayor Cecil informed the board and community that Christine Hovan, the Executive Director of St. Vincent DePaul Outreach Ministry has been in contact with the City about opening a **Bread for Life Community Food Pantry** in New Haven. They would like to use a room in the Veterans Center for a temporary branch. If the pantry is a success during the 6-month trial period, they will work with the City to make it a permanent branch. They will pay the City \$85 per month to cover electric (\$50) and internet/phone access (\$35). They will also pay for a sidewalk to be installed from the back parking lot leading to the back door of the Veterans Center. After a short discussion, Ruth made a motion to approve for Christine Hovan to move forward with the opening of the food pantry. Linda seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Linda informed the board that Mayor Cecil had passed **Executive Order # 2020-2** on April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020 to hire Aaron Cooley, with QK4 Engineering to serve as the inspector on the sewer rehab project.

Linda stated that **Log Still Distilling** would reimburse the City for the QK4 inspector expense.

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Mayor Cecil reminded the board and community that the deadline to sign up for the upcoming **election** is June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020.

James Lemieux updated the board on what has been going on with the **sewer rehab project** and how he felt that we needed to proceed forward.

Linda made a motion to terminate the **City's contract with Jones Contracting**, due to them not acting in good faith. Lois seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Joanie will send a letter to the City's arbitration attorney (Brian Veeneman) to proceed with terminating the contract between the City and Jones Contracting, immediately.

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

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Mayor

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City Clerk

