

## **NEW HAVEN BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

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

**December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022 @ 12:00PM**

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

**Guests & Staff Present:** Nac Miller, Michael Blanford, Don Cecil, Jason Allison, Laura Marcum and Joanie Corbin

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Cecil at 12:00pm. The pledge was recited.

The **Special Meeting Minutes of November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022** were approved with a motion by Linda and a second by Ruth. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

The **Financial Reports & Bills** were accepted with a motion by Linda and a second by Lois. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

**Laura Marcum, with Jones and Associates CPA** presented the FY22 audit report. The city received an “Unmodified Opinion”, which is the best that a city can receive. Ruth made a motion to approve the FY22 audit and payment for the audit services. Linda seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Joanie presented the Board of Commissioners with a **2022 Christmas Parade report**.

Linda gave a recap on the **2021/2022 year**.....she stated that it wasn't an easy two years, but they sure were a successful two years. She commended everyone on the board for their hard work.

- 1 – Sale of Water System
- 2 – Hiring of Public Works Director, Michael Blanford
- 3– Hiring of Assistant Clerk, Kendyl Corbin, whom was a volunteer student worker for the 8 months prior to her hiring.
- 4 – The New Haven/Rolling Fork Fire Department merge.
- 5 – The hiring of Deputy Jason Allison thru a contract with the Nelson County Sheriff's Office.
- 6 – AmeriGas lease renewal
- 7 – Sewer Rehab was completed.
- 8 – The Lagoon upgrade is getting ready to be bid out.

She also thanked Joanie and Donnie for working so hard for the city.

Linda reported that the closing on the **“Water System” sale** will take place today (Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup>) at 1:00. A recap of the sale is as follows:

Total Amount of Sale Price - \$550,000

Loans to be paid off by Larue Country Water for city sewer loans

(Rural Development 92-02 - \$152,000 & 92-04 - \$49,900)

The city will receive a check for the remaining \$348,100.

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**RD Loans** – The city will make a final payment to Rural Development on January 1, 2023 and the balance of \$201,900 will be paid off by Larue County Water District.

**KIA Loan** – The city will only have one long term debt after the RD loans are paid off. The KIA loan is for the most recent sewer rehab. There is an approximate balance of \$170,000.

Joanie read the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of **Ordinance # 504 – Water/Sewer Rates**.

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Joanie read the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of **Ordinance # 506 – Establishing a Sewer Deposit**.

Linda stated that **“Phase I of the Lagoon Upgrade”** work is ready to be bid out. The advertisement for bids will be in the KY Standard on December 21, 2022 and the bids will be opened on January 12, 2023.

FYI – Anyone who is interested in **filling the vacant seat on the Board of Commissioners** should contact City Hall.

Joanie reported that the certified copy of the **“Services Contract”** for the fire department merge was received on 12/9/2022. Fred DeWitt says we should be set to finalize everything in January 2023.

A discussion took place on whether the city should purchase a snow plow for the city truck or whether the city should hire a contractor to remove snow from city streets. Ruth made a motion to hire Dakota Bryan in the amount of **\$100 per hour to remove snow and \$50 per hour to disburse salt** when needed. Mike seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried. The current policy is to bring in someone to remove snow if we receive 3 inches or more of snow.

Donnie informed the board that there are several **Christmas displays** in Simms Park that are in disrepair. Consensus of the board was for the city to reach out to the owners of the displays to see if they would be willing to replace them in 2023.

Tessie administered the **“Oath of Office”** to the incoming commissioners, Mike Morris, Ruth Faulkner & Lois Boley.

Tessie also administered the **“Oath of Office”** to the incoming mayor, Linda Mattingly.

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

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Mayor \_\_\_\_\_

City Clerk \_\_\_\_\_