

NEW HAVEN BOARD OF COMMISSIONER MEETING THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2025

Present were the following: Mayor Linda Mattingly, Commissioner Lois Boley, Commissioner Fred DeWitt, Commissioner Ruth Faulkner and Commissioner Morris.

Also present were the following: David Nalley, Katelyn Norris, Don Cecil, Jamie & Jordan Bryan, Billy Metcalf and Joanie Corbin.

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM.

The **Meeting Minutes of November 20, 2025** were approved on motion of Commissioner DeWitt and second of Commissioner Boley. All voted in favor. Motion Carried.

The **Financial Reports** were accepted on motion of Commissioner Boley and second of Commissioner Faulkner. All voted in favor. Motion Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

FYI – The Rolling Fork Fire Department’s annual dinner will be Saturday, January 17, 2026 at 6:00.

FYI – Election Deadlines for Mayor and Commissioner will be June 2, 2026.

Don Cecil mentioned that Phil Johnson was willing to donate the money to put up more **noise barrier material on the walls of Barry Hall**. Consensus of the board was to proceed with the project.

Administration

Ordinance #533 Series 2025 – Sewer Tap Fees – Joanie read the second reading of Ordinance #533 Series 2025. Mayor Mattingly made a motion to pass Ordinance #533 – Series 2025. Commissioner DeWitt seconded the motion. Roll Call – Commissioner Faulkner – yes, Commissioner Morris – yes, Mayor Mattingly – yes, Commissioner Boley – yes, Commissioner DeWitt – yes. All voted in favor. Motion Carried.

Mayor Mattingly reported that the **New Haven Christmas Parade** was once again a huge success.

Jamie reported that the **truck purchase** bids have come in higher than expected. He would like to keep both city vehicles and just **purchase a DECKED DRAWER SYSTEM for the beds of the trucks** to hold the tools. The drawers for one vehicle will cost \$2,000. Commissioner DeWitt made a motion to purchase one set to make sure that they will work well and if they do, the city will purchase a second set for the other city vehicle. Commissioner Faulkner seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Police

No report was given.

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Sewer

The sewer smell is back in the **Jean Villa Subdivision**.

Jamie reported that the **flow meter at the lagoon** no longer passes the minimum requirements of testing. A new one will be ordered asap for the price of \$8,200.

Street Department

Paving – The final bill for the **street paving** came in \$8,089.00 cheaper than the original quote.

Mayor Mattingly presented paperwork from Lincoln Trail Area Development District's office showing the cost to hire them to perform a **feasibility study on the possibility of sidewalks on North Main Street**. Her opinion was that the city should proceed with the study to see if would even be a possibility to install sidewalks without having to seize property. She is not in favor of seizing property from homeowners for the project. The cost of the study could be up to \$5,000. Commissioner DeWitt made a motion to move forward with the feasibility study. Mayor Mattingly seconded the motion. Commissioner Faulkner and Morris voted to move forward, but Commissioner Boley abstained. Motion Carried.

David presented a quote of \$150 per hour for **snow removal** from Dakota Bryan . He stated that he can finish the job in 2 hours. If salt is needed, the price will increase to \$250 per hour. Commissioner DeWitt approved to hire Dakota Bryan to remove snow when 3 or more inches have come down. Commissioner Morris seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion Carried.

Recreation Department

The **Barry Hall Ballpark Gate** was hit by a vehicle. It has been repaired. The cost of the repair was \$200. The gentlemen did come back to the park the next day and admit that he had hit it. Deputy Allison will be with the guy and let him know that he owes the city \$200. Reflectors have been added to the gate so that it is more visible.

Ballpark Gate - Consensus of the board was for Jamie or Deputy Allison to close the main gate at 4:00/4:30 on any day that the weather declines and isn't adequate for adults/kids to play/walk in the park after that time. If the weather is terrible all day, the gate does not need to be opened at all. If the weather is nice, the gate can be left open until dark and then Commissioner Morris will close it.

Adjournment

Commissioner Boley moved for adjournment and Commissioner Morris seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Mayor Mattingly

Attest: City Clerk/Treasurer Joanie Corbin