

**NEW HAVEN BOARD OF COMMISSIONER MEETING  
302 CENTER STREET, NEW HAVEN, KY 40051  
THURSDAY, JULY 16, 2026**

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

Commissioner Mike Morris passed away on Friday, July 10, 2026.

Also present were the following: Katelyn Norris, Guyula Johnson, David Nalley, Don Cecil, Jason Allison and Joanie Corbin

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

Mayor Mattingly called for a **moment of silence for Mike Morris**.

The **Meeting Minutes of the June 18, 2026** were approved on motion of Commissioner DeWitt and second by Commissioner Boley. All voted in favor. Motion Carried.

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

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mayor Mattingly reported that per **KRS 83A.040**, the Board of Commissioners would have to **replace Commissioner Morris's seat within 30 days**. Consensus of the board was to advertise on Facebook and on the electronic sign to see if anyone was interested in filling the seat until the end of the term, which is December 31, 2026.

Mayor Mattingly made a motion to hold a **special meeting on Thursday, July 30 @ 5:00** at City Hall to appoint someone to fill the seat. Commissioner Faulkner seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Mayor Mattingly made a motion to enter into **Executive Session per KRS 61.810 (f) for discussions or hearings that might lead to the appointment, discipline or dismissal of an individual employee**. Commissioner DeWitt seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Mayor Mattingly made a motion to enter back into **regular session**. Commissioner Faulkner seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Mayor Mattingly made a **motion for the city to hire Patrick Harris on an as needed basis**. Commissioner Faulkner seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

**Administration**

Mayor Mattingly reported that the **Annexation of Log Still Distillery and Affordable Truss** had been halted.

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**Police**

No information was provided.

**Sewer**

Mayor Mattingly informed the Board of Commissioners that a **Cease-and-Desist order** was sent to Log Still Distillery to address the dumping of sewage into manholes by a company that was hired by Log Still in early June on Hilltop. She stated that she followed protocol using the city's sewer use ordinance and pretreatment program. She was also advised by Cyndi Leasor at Hall Environmental to send the order to cease the dumping of sewage in the manholes in New Haven.

She also stated that Elmer George, an attorney for Log Still Distillery had responded to the order asking that it be withdrawn and purged from the city's records. After a lengthy discussion, Commissioner Faulkner made a motion to withdraw and purge the order from the city's records. Motion died due to lack of second.

Commissioner Faulkner wanted it on record that her opinion was that it was not Log Still Distillery's fault that the sewage was dumped in a manhole on Hilltop. She felt that the fault should fall on Utility Infrastructure Services because they were the ones that dumped the sewage.

**Street Department**

Mayor Mattingly reported that a **hole had developed on South First Street and the street had been closed to thru traffic**. Engineer Brad Spalding stopped by and looked at the hole and recommended that the compromised culvert be replaced. He stated that the county had the equipment to fix the road, but the mayor would need to get approval from Judge Hutchins before they could do the work. He stated the city will be responsible for the materials. Mayor Mattingly contacted Judge Hutchins and he stated that he would check into the legality of the county repairing the problem and get back to her.

Brad Spalding also informed Don Cecil that he would metal plate to put over the hole, so that the road could be opened back up.

Mayor Mattingly informed the board that KY Railway Museum had asked if they could close South First Street during their annual car show on October 17. Commissioner DeWitt made a motion to allow the road to be closed on October 17. Commissioner Boley seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

**Recreation Department**

Daivd reported that samples have been taken from the **Fishing Lake at the New Haven Ballpark**. No results have been received as of today. The samples were taken to see what may need to be added to the lake to help the fish survive and grow.

Don Cecil asked for more direction on what to do with the volleyball court at the New Haven Ballpark. Commissioner DeWitt said that he was going to contact Magistrate Keith Metcalfe to

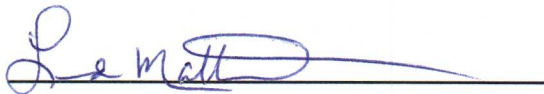


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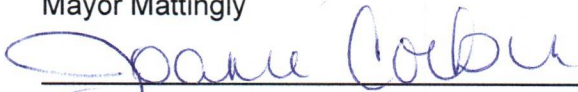
see if the county could help remove the sand and haul some dirt to fill in the hole left by the removal of the sand.

**Adjournment**

Mayor Mattingly moved for **adjournment** in memory of Commissioner Mike Morris and his numerous years of service to the City of New Haven. Commissioner Faulkner seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

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Mayor Mattingly

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Joanie Corbin", written over a horizontal line.

Attest: City Clerk/Treasurer Joanie Corbin