



## CITY HALL BUSINESS HOURS

Monday - Friday

8:00 AM- 12:00 PM

1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Closed Daily

12:00PM - 1:00PM

Police Department

Open 24 Hours Every Day

# INSIGHT



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## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

### **Mayor McMichael Announces New Community Engagement Coordinator and Corporate Engagement Specialist for the City of New Haven**

I am pleased to announce our new Community Engagement Coordinator and Corporate Engagement Specialist to the City of New Haven administration. We are fortunate to work with such talented people as we work hard to build a better New Haven together.

#### **Bill Bradley - Corporate Engagement Specialist**

Retaining and expanding local businesses is vital to the mission of economic development in New Haven. Bill Bradley works to foster relationships with local businesses and builds a positive rapport with area business owners in an effort to grow and prosper together.

Bill Bradley is a graduate of Concordia Lutheran High school in Fort Wayne, along with a B.A. degree from Purdue University and a M.P.A. degree from Ball State University. He started his career almost 36 years ago as the first manager of the NewAllen Alliance.

From that position he went to Adams County, Indiana and was the first Executive Director of the Adams County EDC. He then traveled to western Indiana and was the President of the Logansport/Cass County Economic Development Foundation. He then ventured back east to Wabash, Indiana, working extensively on the U.S. 24 - Hoosier Heartland highway project. Bill then went north to Elkhart County for a new county economic development initiative that he helped launch and grow. For the next 12 years, Bill spent time in Jay County (Portland and Dunkirk) in east central Indiana, a part of Indiana that he has strong ties. Bill ended his career for the last four years in Lagrange County, Indiana. As of January 1, 2022 he is fully retired. He is happy to be a part of the team (part-time) with the City of New Haven.

#### **RasAmen Oladuwa - Community Engagement Coordinator**

The Community Engagement Coordinator works under the direction of the Community and Economic Development Director. They are responsible for community engagement and communicating with local organizations and the public. RasAmen is a community focused web consultant working to help communities grow. She specializes in public relations, fundraising, event planning, and community engagement.

RasAmen Oladuwa is a graduate of South Side High School in Fort Wayne and holds a bachelor's degree in Economics and History from Connecticut College. She has an extensive background in community engagement, communication strategy, and project management. She recently helped launched the Dogs Days of Summer, a community event focused on the benefits of dogs and their positive effects on their owners' mental health.

As the Community Engagement Coordinator for New Haven, Ras is responsible for community engagement and communicating with local organizations and the public. She also specializes in social media content creation, fundraising campaigns and event logistics. Ras is a great addition to the City of New Haven team.

I am excited to have RasAmen and Bill a part of the New Haven team as they will play a vital role to increase community engagement and support community growth and development for the City of New Haven.

Steve McMichael



## Multi-Million Dollar Investments Proposed for New Haven

Exciting Housing Opportunities Coming to New Haven. On March 8th, the Plan Commission will have two proposals in front of them. The first is a development of 312 townhome style apartments at the intersection of Maplecrest Road and 930. These homes will be higher end three-story apartments. New Haven has made the 930 Corridor an Economic Development area to attract developments like this and commercial developments. We'll be presenting a Corridor Plan this summer with ideas and plans for making the Western gateway to New Haven much more attractive and welcoming. The Indiana Department of Transportation is planning to redesign the intersection of Maplecrest and 930 in the next couple years and this will be a big part of the design.

The second development will be up for a rezoning and primary development plan. This will consist of 254 single-family detached homes located at Minnich and Seiler roads. Next Chapter Neighborhoods is developing this addition. They're building a similar neighborhood at Lima and Dupont in Fort Wayne. They consider themselves to be luxury-end developers of rental homes which will range from 860 to 1,800 square feet (1 to 4 bedroom). All homes will have a garage and the addition will have ponds, a pool, fitness center, playgrounds, and a dog park. It's targeted to retirees, students, young families and young couples.

These investments of an estimated \$70 million dollars will attract other investment in restaurants, retail, and medical spaces. There has been a demand for rental homes in New Haven for a long time. These developments along with several new single family residential additions that will be announced soon will provide employees for the employers looking to build in New Haven. High density housing like these provides revenue to hire more public safety, public works and maintain infrastructure. Commercial housing provides twice the property tax income as regular residential homes. Commercial housing is taxed with a cap of 2% assessed value, while normal residential is capped at 1%. New Haven's future is bright and financially solid. We'll have many more exciting announcements this summer.



## COUNCIL MEMBERS

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Matthew Kennedy - 5th District  
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## BOARD MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

### **Teresa Hatten - New Haven/Adams Township Park Board**

Teresa Hatten has lived in New Haven since 2004. She moved from Fort Wayne where she and her husband, Charlie, lived since 1978.

She has been a Registered Nurse since 1978 and worked in many different areas of nursing before she took several years off to help care for and homeschool her grandchildren. She currently works as the nurse for Center for Life Transitions, which provides residential and community services and adult foster care to people who have intellectual and developmental disabilities. She helped create and start Center for Life Transitions with her daughter Jessica Shannon, who is the owner and President/CEO.

Teresa was a volunteer with NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) as President of NAMI Fort Wayne and President of NAMI Indiana, and as a support group facilitator and family educator. She was a storyteller for Children's Worship and Wonder, a faith formation program for children ages for 3 - 7 years, and she taught other congregations how to create Worship Centers at their own churches. She volunteered with Associated Churches in various capacities and helped create A Baby's Closet, where she worked for several years.

Teresa has two daughters. Her older daughter, Christina Arnold, also lives in New Haven. She has five adult grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Her two older great-grandchildren attend New Haven schools.

Teresa learned about the opportunity to serve on the New Haven Park Board from Charlie Hatten, who was the New Haven Chamber of Commerce President at the time. She is especially proud to have been a part of the development of the New Haven Community Center and looks forward to the further development of Maryland Farms Park. "Volunteering is a wonderful way to meet people and develop relationships, to make a positive difference in the lives of others, and to help make the community a better place for families to work and play."

### **NEW HAVEN ADAMS TOWNSHIP PARK BOARD**

Overall policy and management direction of the New Haven-Adams Township Parks and Recreation Department is provided by a five-member bipartisan Board of Park Commissioners, four appointed by the mayor and one appointed by an Allen County Circuit court judge, for staggered four year terms. Following provisions of Indiana statutes (I.C. 36-10-4), the Board approves budget revenues and expenditures, passes bond issues, acquires, and improves property, adopts new programs, establishes management policy and regulations, and provides a public venue for community debate and input.

# COMMUNITY ZONE



L & S Alignment - Tuneup, Inc.



Quality isn't expensive...It's priceless

L & S Alignment in New Haven is celebrating 50 years of service to the New Haven area and they have reason to celebrate.

In 1973, Rick Losher and John Schnelker constructed the L & S building located at 220 Hartzell Road. Since then, they have kept up with changes in vehicles and technology to provide quality service for their customers. Their motto is "Quality is not expensive . . . It's priceless".

Rick began his career in automotive at the age of 15 while working at Art Parnin's Citgo Gas Station at the corner of Broadway and S.R. 14 (n/k/a BP Lassus). He began pumping gas for \$1.25 an hour. He graduated from New Haven High School and then later graduated from IPFW with a Civil Engineer degree while still working at the Citgo station pumping gas and doing mechanical work. During the summer, and while attending IPFW, Rick also worked for his dad's company, Indiana Construction, while continuing to do mechanical work and pumping gas.

When the business first opened, Rick and John performed all the repairs personally. They grew with Alan Fudge starting in June of 1977 and Dave Saxton who began in 1991. His son, Tim, began working at the age of 15, graduated from New Haven High School, and then graduated from Ivy Tech with a degree in automotive technology where he continued his career at L & S Alignment.

Since that time, Rick works in the office full time taking appointments, handling the daily operations of the job and running the business portion of L & S Alignment.

Rick is married to Nancy and enjoys spending time with his family and 12 grandchildren. He is a member of Emanuel Lutheran Church, New Haven where he has served as the Head Trustee for many years.

Congratulations to L & S Alignment for 50 years of services in the New Haven community.

**Address:** 220 Hartzell Road

**Business Hours:** 8:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. (Mon - Fri)

**Contact:** (260) 493-6693

**Website:** [landsalignment.com](http://landsalignment.com)

**Services:** Visit website for list of services



## Safe @ Home

by Safe sitter®

Designed for grades 4-6\* to prepare them to be safe when they are home alone, this 90-minute program teaches students how to practice safe habits, how to prevent unsafe situations, and what to do when faced with dangers such as power failures or weather emergencies.

**\$18**

@ the New Haven Community Center

3/12/22 9 am - 10:30 am

\*Ages 9/up



To Register call 260-749-2212 or visit

[www.newhavenparksandrec.org](http://www.newhavenparksandrec.org)



# MARCH HIGHLIGHTS

## GET TO KNOW YOUR CITY COUNCIL AND HOW IT WORKS

- The government of cities is divided between the mayor and the common council.
- The mayor exercises the executive authority (I.C. 36-4-4-3) of the city and is primarily concerned with its day-to-day operations.
- The Common Council exercises the city's legislative authority (I.C. 36-4-4-4) and makes the laws that govern the city and appropriates the city's monies.
- City Council members are part-time elected officials who serve a 4 year term. There are no term limits for City Council.
- City Council meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month.
- New Haven's legislative body consists of 5 council districts and 2 at-large districts.

### City Council Responsibilities

New Haven City Council serves 2 primary functions for the City:

**Legislative Body** - City Council exercises the passage of ordinances.

**Fiscal Body** - City Council fixes the annual salaries of all elected officials of the city and establishes the annual salaries of members of the City's police and fire departments.

Council also has the authority to reduce, but not increase any other items in the city budget as submitted by the Mayor for its approval.

### Partnerships

- City Council works with Allen County officials for approval of capital projects. (I.C. 6-1-29.5-10). New Haven City Council also works with Allen County Commissioners and other officials from Allen County regarding issues in New Haven.
- City Council must abide by state statute requirements and state mandates.
- City Council members work with state elected officials on issues that affect New Haven.

### Ordinances

An Ordinance is a local law prescribing a general and permanent rule. The introduction of an ordinance includes a summary presentation of the ordinance at a City Council meeting. Some ordinances may require public hearings. Ordinances are read and voted on prior to any passage.

### Contact City Council

We encourage you to attend the City Council meetings so that you can get to know your city council representatives and make your voices heard.

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| 1st District | Matt Newbauer   | mnewbauer@NewHaven.In.gov  |
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| 4th District | Mike Mowery     | mmowery@NewHaven.In.gov    |
| 5th District | Matthew Kennedy | mkennedy@NewHaven.In.gov   |
| At-Large     | Dave Cheviron   | dcheviron@NewHaven.In.gov  |
| At-Large     | Terry Werling   | twerling@NewHaven.In.gov   |

**Fine Art WORKSHOPS**  
January-April 2022  
A New Haven Parks partnership with  
Fort Wayne Artist Guild

**February 26th Composition**  
With local artist:  
**AVON WATERS**

Workshops are held at the NH Community Center  
For more info, pricing, or to register please visit  
[fortwaynearistsguild.org](http://fortwaynearistsguild.org)

**2022 Day Trips AND Diamond Tour Multi Night Trips**

Want to get away for a day? Check out the day trips and multi-night trips offered by the New Haven Parks Department! Registration is now open. Grab some friends and get ready to join trip escort Pam Crone on a fun adventure! For a complete list of trips, descriptions, fees and registration dates stop by the New Haven Community Center and pick up a copy. The official trip list can also be found by visiting [www.newhavenparksandrec.org](http://www.newhavenparksandrec.org).

**Upcoming Trips...**

March 11(Register soon!): La Comedia Dinner Theatre, Springboro, OH : Phantom

May 17: Historic Wayne County, IN: The Crossroads of American History

July 7: Wagon Wheel Theatre: Brigadoon

AND MORE!!! Have questions? Please call Sue at 260-749-2212 or email [sgrossnickle@newhaven.in.gov](mailto:sgrossnickle@newhaven.in.gov).

**MOTHER & SON BIG BUCK HUNTER NERF WAR**

SATURDAY MARCH 19, 2022 6-8pm at the New Haven Community Center (behind McDonald's) 7500 SR 930E Fort Wayne, IN 46803

A Mother and Son event you won't want to miss! Join us for an evening of Nerf Wars, games, activities, and snacks. Bring your own Nerf guns and we will supply the darts. If you are willing to share, bring an extra gun and darts. (We can't guarantee you will get darts back). Check out our event on our Facebook page for more details and up to date information on this event. Registration deadline is 3/12/2022. Call the Park office 260-749-2212 if you have any questions.

**Pre-Registration REQUIRED!**  
NO TICKETS AT THE DOOR  
To register visit [www.newhavenparksandrec.org](http://www.newhavenparksandrec.org)

# MARCH 2022

MEETING HELD AT NEW HAVEN COMMUNITY CENTER

DATE   TIME   MEETING

03/01   6:00 PM Park Board

MEETINGS HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT CITY HALL

DATE   TIME   MEETING

|       |         |                          |
|-------|---------|--------------------------|
| 03/01 | 9:00 AM | Board of Works           |
| 03/07 | 6:00 PM | City Council             |
| 03/08 | 6:00 PM | Plan Commission          |
| 03/09 | 5:30 PM | Redevelopment Commission |
| 03/15 | 9:00 AM | Board of Works           |
| 03/15 | 6:00 PM | City Council             |
| 03/16 | 6:00 PM | BZA                      |
| 03/23 | 6:00 PM | Fire Territory           |



## CITYWIDE CLEAN-UP

**Saturday, May 7 2021  
7:00 am - 12:00 pm**

**NEW DROP OFF LOCATION: 1433 Summit Street, New Haven**

The City of New Haven will sponsor its annual "Citywide Clean-Up" on Saturday, May 7, 2022 to local residents. Materials will be collected at the old utility shop located at 1433 Summit Street from 7:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. This service is FREE to New Haven residents; therefore, we strongly encourage you to participate by bringing your unwanted items to the drop off location. Additional details along with a list of accepted materials and as well as restrictions will be listed in the April and May issue of Insight.

For further questions, contact Dave Jones, Superintendent of Utilities at (260) 748-7056. With your cooperation, we can make this citywide clean-up project a great success and maintain a beautiful city.

## DEPARTMENT PHONE NUMBERS

Clerk-Treasurer's Office  
(260) 748-7010

Code Enforcement  
(260) 748-7060

Community & Economic Dev.  
(260) 748-7041

Engineering  
(260) 748-7030

Mayor's Office  
(260) 748-7070

Parks & Recreation  
(260) 749-2212

Planning Department  
(260) 748-7040

Street Department  
(260) 748-7056

## PUBLIC SAFETY

EMERGENCY - CALL 911

EMS  
(260) 749-1235

Fire  
(260) 493-7500

Police Non-Emergency Line  
(260) 748-7080

Police Tip Hotline  
(260) 748-7099

## UTILITIES

AEP/I&M - Electric  
(800) 311-4634

Paulding Putnam - Electric  
(800) 686-2357

NIPSCO - Gas  
(800) 464-7726

Republic Services - Trash  
(800) 876-9001

Fort Wayne Water/Sewer Office  
(260) 427-1234

New Haven Water/Sewer Office  
(260) 748-7050

24HR Emergency - Sewer/Water  
(260) 414-9097

Locate Utilities - 811

United Way Help Line - 211

