

Hazel, Kentucky
May 4, 1981
COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

Secretary of State
Frankfort, Kentucky 40601

Dear Sir:

Re: KRS 81.045 (SB 22).

Name of City; Hazel

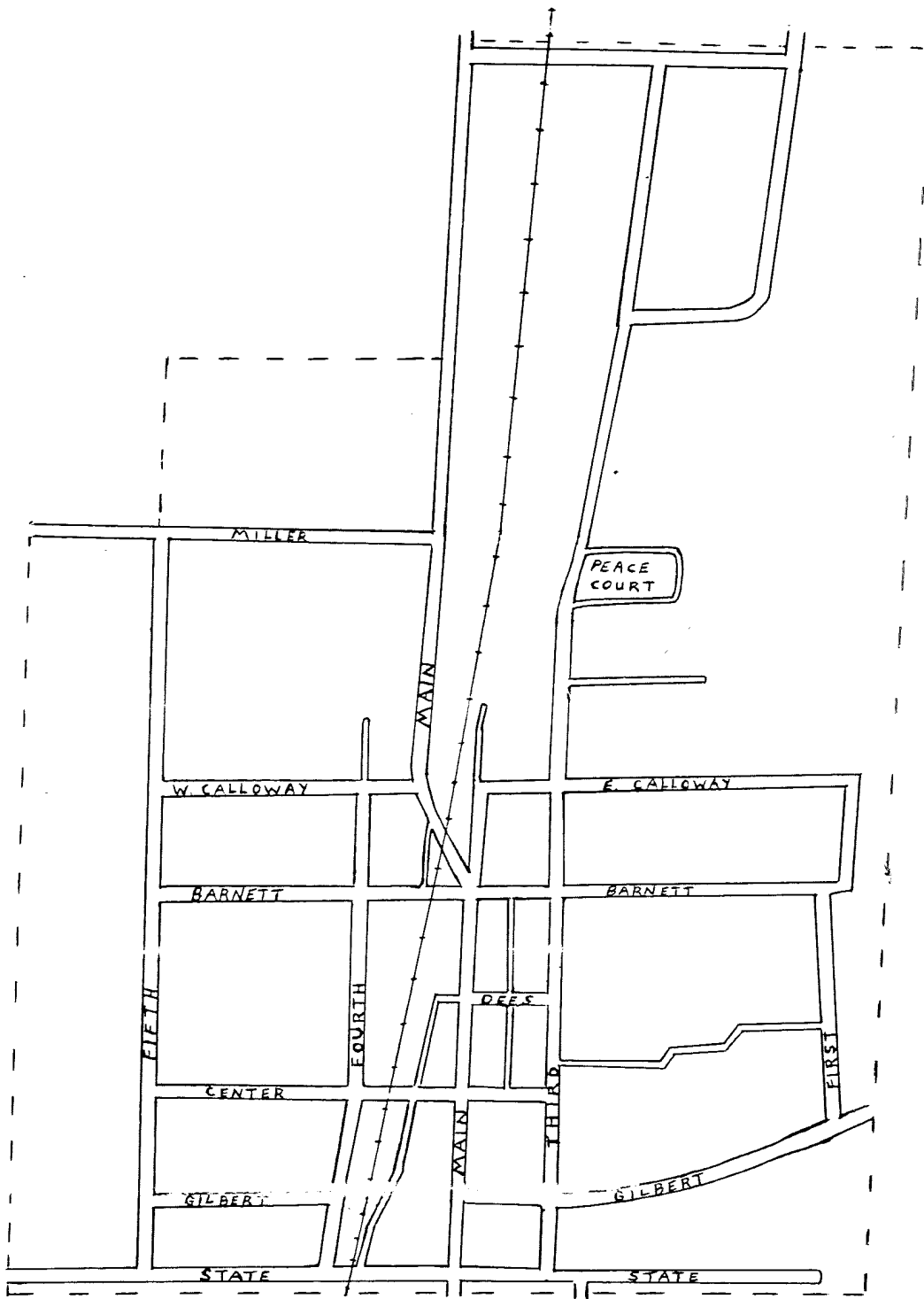
Date of incorporation; Estimated date 1911 (See attached certificate)

Present classification; 6th Class

Present boundaries; Map attached.

Elizabeth J. Hudson
City Clerk
City of Hazel
Hazel, Kentucky 42049

*Calloway County
Estimated Date of Inc. 1911
Court Records destroyed in 1913*



City of Hazel, Kentucky

CERTIFICATE OF MUNICIPAL ORIGIN

The undersigned does hereby certify that he has conducted the investigation hereinafter detailed and that to the best of his knowledge and belief same reflects a true and accurate resume thereof:

I have checked the records of the Calloway Circuit Court to determine whether or not the Town of Hazel had been set up on a basis of a judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction and the reason for my searching the files was that several of the older citizens of the community assured me of the fact that they had seen in on a town meeting which authorized the filing of a petition in the court to establish the town, to plot the terrain and to generally follow the statutes for a municipal organization, and further these same gentlemen assured me that it was done. In checking with the Clerk we got back to the time that the courthouse records burned in 1913 and there all evidence ended because of the destruction.

Following this I contacted the Attorney General of the State for information relative to any records that might be in his office pertaining to the Town and they had nothing but referred me to the State Historian. This avenue was followed through to the end and no records were there in the archives of the Historical Society and then I referred to the oldest history of the State of Kentucky which contains this type of information, to wit: The F. A. Dickey and W. H. Perrin History written in the year 1885

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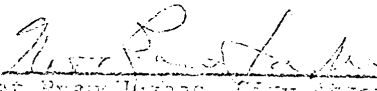
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and published by F. A. Zattay Publishing Company of Louisville, Kentucky, and no reference of the town is made, so we are reasonably certain that the site was established and laid out between 1835 and 1913.

The next avenue approached in determining the origin of the community was by way of the Office of Secretary of State of this Commonwealth and there were no indications there, however, it was considered to be a municipal organization of the sixth class from approximately the year of 1905. We do know that the government has been functioning since before 1913, that the officials were duly elected and that the records of the Town as are now in the hands of the Clerk, Mr. W. B. Milstead, extend back this far, and it is my conclusion that the Town of Hazel was set up by judgment of the Calloway Circuit Court and that the records incorporating the municipality were destroyed in the fire of 1913 which leveled the courthouse and its records and archives.

I am apologetic for not being in position to come up with the official origin but there is substantial proof of the approximate time and the fact that it has been functioning as a sixth class city for more than fifty years is conclusive.

This the 24th day of June, 1969.



Matt Ryan, Mayor, City of Hazel,
City of Hazel, Kentucky

Subscribed and sworn to before me by Nat Ryan Hughes
this the 24th day of June, 1969.

Essie Bailey

Notary Public, State at Large, Kentucky

My commission expires June 9, 1972