

VILLAGE OF COVINGTON

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Covington Government Center | 1 South High Street | 8AM- 4:30PM Monday – Friday | 937.473.3420

Project Updates

- **Wastewater Treatment Facility** – The Village held a public meeting on February 6th to discuss the project which included the design of the building and the proposed rates. As discussed over the last year, this project will require that sewer rates are increased to cover the cost of the new plant. The Village currently is estimating the sewer rates will increase 10% for 2023 and 10% for 2024, and then resume the annual 3% increase. The Village will be keeping water rates at 0% for the next two years to help offset these increases.
- **High Street Lights** – The lights have been installed! The decorative bases of the poles are still on order and will be delivered in May. We are working on putting together the High Street Banner Program, which will include Hometown Heroes Banners as well as welcome, seasonal, and community event banners.
- **Government Center Improvements** – The Village Government Center was last improved in 2006 and is showing its age. The Village hired Garmann / Miller to design improvements to the building including safety, efficiency, and community space that can be utilized.
- **Internet / Phone Systems** – The Village transitioned to upgraded internet and phone systems within its buildings in February. All numbers are the same, but you will notice a new phone tree, and easier to access department listings and voicemail boxes.

Did you know?

You can sign up for ACH to pay your Village utility bills and there is no additional fee for the payment. You receive a monthly email before it is automatically deducted. Easy to sign up and assures you don't miss a payment or pay any extra fees! Go to our website to learn more!

Notes for the Month of February and Beyond:

- **Village Council meetings** are on March 13th (7PM) and March 20th (7PM), please join us!
- Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday, March 12 at 2AM. Make sure you "Spring Forward" one hour!
- Tax deadline with St. Marys is April 18th. Please call the Tax Department at 419.394.3303 for questions.
- Mark your calendars – the Covington Community Garage Sale will occur May 31, June, 1, 2, and 3.

Administration

Mayor | Edward L. McCord
Council President | Jesse Reynolds
Village Administrator | Kyle A. Hinkelman

Village Council Members

Dawn Duff
Keith Warner
Julie Blumenstock
Derrick Canan
Amy Welborn

Meeting Schedules:

Council Meetings | 1st & 3rd Mondays – 7PM
Planning Commission Meeting | 4th Monday – 7PM
Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting | 2nd Monday – 7PM

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