

COVINGTON VILLAGE COUNCIL

Covington Village Council had an online Zoom meeting on November 16, 2020. Mayor McCord called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following roll call was taken for council:

Present	Keith Warner
	Dawn Duff
	Jesse Reynolds
	Lois Newman
	Bud Weer
	Scott Tobias

Nonmembers participating –Frank Patrizio-Village Attorney, Lee Harmon-Police Chief, Brenda Carroll-Fiscal Officer, and Kyle Hinkelman.

Agenda:

Motion to approve the agenda was made by Newman and seconded by Reynolds. All ayes.
Motion carried.

Visitors

No visitors.

Village Administrator

Motion to waive the three-reading rule and vote on Resolution R41-20 to employ Kyle Hinkelman as Village Administrator for a two-year agreement beginning December 14, 2020 at an annual salary of \$80,000 was made by Tobias and seconded by Duff. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution R41-20 was made by Tobias and seconded by Weer. All ayes.
Motion carried.

Mayor's Report

Mayor McCord updated Council on his recent meetings and activities and informed Council of the following:

Several items placed on Gov Deals.

The new truck has been delivered.

Fields of Grace will offer a free Thanksgiving Dinner November 21st at the Eagles. Pickup is drive thru only.

Report from the St. Mary's Income Tax Department included in Council's packet.

Minutes

Minutes from the 11/2/2020 Council meeting will stand approved as presented.

Financial Reports

Financial reports approved as presented.

Discussion

Council continued the discussion on the wastewater plant issues and wants more information on connecting with either Piqua or Troy.

A discussion was held on a new street sweeper and Council agreed to proceed with the discussion when more information is presented.

Old Business

Motion to approve Resolution R35-20 to renew our contract with City of St. Mary's Tax Department for income tax collection for the Village of Covington from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2023 at a rate of 3% was made by Tobias and seconded by Duff. All ayes. Motion carried.

New Business

Motion to waive the three-reading rule and vote on Resolution R42-20 to remove uncollectible income tax accounts and place on the record as a delinquent bad debt was made by Tobias and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution R42-20 was made by Tobias and seconded by Reynolds. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve payment in the amount of \$26,910.00 to Finrock Construction for Pearl Street storm sewer extension was made by Tobias and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to waive the three-reading rule and vote on Resolution R43-20 to enter into a two-year contract with Covington Fire & Rescue Inc., for Fire Protection Services and Emergency Medical Services from January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2022 at \$255,000 per year was made by Tobias and seconded by Newman. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution R43-20 was made by Tobias and seconded by Duff. All ayes. Motion carried.

First reading held on Ordinance 18-20 amending the Salary Ordinance.

Motion to waive the three-reading rule and vote on Resolution R44-20 finding that public safety personnel of the Village of Covington are substantially dedicated to mitigating or responding to the Covid-19 public health emergency and declaring an emergency was made by Tobias and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution R44-20 was made by Tobias and seconded by Reynolds. All ayes. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned 7:35 PM.

Fiscal Officer

Mayor