

COVINGTON VILLAGE COUNCIL

Covington Village Council met in a regular meeting on January 21, 2020 at the Village office at 1 S. High St. Covington. 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
	Scott Tobias
	Lois Newman
	Bud Weer

Nonmembers present – Robert Buch-Attorney, Mike Busse-Village Administrator, Lee Harmon-Police Chief, and Brenda Carroll-Fiscal Officer.

Agenda:

Motion to approve the agenda was made by Duff and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Visitors:

See attached visitors list.

Randy Anthony gave a report to Council about his Eagle Scout Project. Randy thanked the Village for their assistance with the project. Mayor McCord stated the building at the park looks great, and Council thanked Randy for all his hard work.

Chris Haines from Marias updated Council on the progress of the construction project, and presented plans for the existing building.

Mayor's Report

Mayor McCord updated Council on his weekly meetings and activities, and reminded Council of the following:

Government center will be closed Monday February 17th for Presidents Day, and the council meeting is rescheduled to February 18th.

There will be a Council work session February 18, 2020 to obtain public comments on the proposed Maple Street park plan.

Village Administrator Report – the following topics were addressed:

Casey's Project

The pump island canopy installation is underway. Equipment has been delivered, and pump installation will take place week of January 27th. Sidewalk, curb and approach work is continuing. Asphalt patching will follow.

Marias Project

Final design is still underway. Asking Council to review and approve Ordinance 3-20 approving the replat of inlots 43, 44, 45, 52, 53 and PT 54. This replat was reviewed and approved at Wednesday's Planning and Zoning meeting.

2020 Repaving Program/Ludlow Street Resurfacing

Requesting Council have 2nd reading on Resolution R2-20 authorizing the Village Administrator to enter into a contract with Access Engineering for engineering services for the 2020 street resurfacing program and Ludlow Street curb, sidewalk and resurfacing design work at a cost of \$12,500.00.

High Street Design

Requesting Council have 2nd reading on Resolution R3-20 authorizing the Village Administrator to enter into a contract with Access Engineering for the High Street design work for 2020 at a cost of \$75,000.00.

2020 Sidewalk Program

Requesting Council have 2nd reading on Resolution R4-20 declaring the necessity of repairing and/or reconstructing of the sidewalks in the Village of Covington, Ohio and declaring the same to be an emergency (Harrison Street). This project was originally scheduled for 2019 but the gas line repairs that are currently in process were delayed.

Adoption of the 2020 Ohio Basic Code

Requesting Council waive the three-reading rule and vote to approve Ordinance 5-20 adopting the Ohio Basic Code for 2020. This is something Council approves every January.

Audit/Fund Creation

The results of the two-year audit for 2017 and 2018 will be released to the public soon. As part of this two-year village audit the state auditor has requested that the village create the following funds to allow for the tracking of special revenue funds that are being collected through the State of Ohio and the Miami County Auditor's office. (These are NOT NEW TAXES)

Requesting Council waive the three-reading rule and vote to approve Ordinance 2-20 creating the Street Lighting Fund #24 to be used for revenues and expenses for street lighting.

Also requesting Council waive the three-reading rule and vote to approve Ordinance 4-20 creating the Permissive Tax Fund #21 to be for Permissive Tax license fees. These fees are to be used specifically for street maintenance.

2019 Final Appropriations

Requesting Council waive the three-reading rule and vote to approve Ordinance 1-20 amending the final appropriations for 2019.

Minutes

Minutes from the 1/6/2020 Council meeting will stand approved as presented.

Financial Reports

Motion to approve the financial reports was made by Newman and seconded by Duff. All ayes. Motion carried.

Old Business

Second reading on Resolution R2-20 authorizing the Village Administrator to enter into a contract with Access Engineering for engineering, design and bidding services for the Ludlow Street curb, sidewalk and village resurfacing project for 2020 at a cost of \$12,500.00.

Second reading on Resolution R3-20 authorizing the Village Administrator to enter into a contract with Access Engineering for engineering and design services for the High Street reconstruction project for 2020 at a cost of \$75,000.00.

Second reading on Resolution R4-20 declaring the necessity of repairing and/or reconstructing of the sidewalks in the Village of Covington, Ohio and declaring the same to be an emergency (Harrison Street).

New Business

Motion to waive the three-reading rule and vote to approve Ordinance 1-20 amending the final appropriations for the year ending December 31, 2019 was made by Tobias and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Ordinance 1-20 was made by Tobias and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to waive the three-reading rule and vote to approve Ordinance 2-20 creating Fund 24 (Street Lighting Fund) and authorizing the transfer of \$47,237.08 from the General Fund (10) into the Street Lighting Fund (24) was made by Tobias and seconded by Duff. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Ordinance 2-20 was made by Tobias and seconded Reynolds. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to waive the three-reading rule and vote to approve Ordinance 3-20 approving the replat of lots 43, 44, 45, 52, 53 and PT 54 was made by Tobias and seconded by Reynolds. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Ordinance 3-20 was made by Tobias and seconded by Newman. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to waive the three-reading rule and vote to approve Ordinance 4-20 creating Fund 21 (Permissive Tax Fund) was made by Tobias and seconded by Duff. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Ordinance 4-20 was made by Duff and seconded by Tobias. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to waive the three-reading rule and vote to approve Ordinance 5-20 approving, adopting and enacting the American Legal Publishing's Ohio Basic Code, 2020 edition as the code of ordinances for the municipality of Covington, Ohio and declaring an emergency was made by Tobias and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Ordinance 5-20 was made by Tobias and seconded by Reynolds. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn made by Weer and seconded by Newman. All ayes.
Meeting adjourned 7:34 PM.

Fiscal Officer

Mayor