

COVINGTON VILLAGE COUNCIL

Covington Village Council met in a regular meeting on May 18, 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
	Lois Newman
	Scott Tobias
	Bud Weer

Nonmembers participating – Frank Patrizio-Village Attorney, Mike Busse-Village Administrator, Lee Harmon-Police Chief, and Brenda Carroll-Fiscal Officer.

Agenda:

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

Visitors

Aimee Hancock – Miami Valley Today Reporter

Mayor's Report

Mayor McCord updated Council on the following:

Set a public hearing to review a zoning map amendment for Fields of Grace and Kimmel LLC for Monday, June 15, 2020 @ 7:00 PM

Discussion on canceling the June 1st council meeting. Council decided to cancel this meeting.

Peace Officer Appreciation Week was the week of May 11. Mayor McCord expressed his appreciation for our police force.

Free extra item trash pickup will be the week of June 1st.

Government Center offices will open May 26, 2020.

Village Administrator Report – the following topics were addressed:

Ludlow Street Project

The curb and asphalt work has been completed. Mr. Meyer has opted to reconstruct his own sidewalks but so far has refused to obtain a permit to construct his Ludlow Street sidewalk. Obtaining a permit to construct his sidewalk is and has been a requirement of every homeowner. Mr. Meyer plans to complete his sidewalks this week.

Pearl Street Waterline Replacement Project

The Pearl Street water line replacement project is underway. We hope to have this completed within the next two weeks.

Water Plant Filter Media Replacement Project

We are working with A&N Construction to get the submittals approved and a construction schedule in place.

Golf Cart Regulations

Chief Harmon and Mr. Busse are recommending Council vote on Ordinance 7-20 regulating the operation of golf carts on Village streets.

High Street Sewer Project

The High Street sewer project was completed on May 8, 2020. Mr. Busse has change order #1 in the amount of \$4,722.34 for a total project cost of \$53,226.34. He also has Finrock Construction's pay request #1 (final) in the amount of \$53,226.34 for Council's review and approval.

Community Reinvestment Area

Mr. Busse has had several meetings with Covington school officials concerning the establishment of a Community Reinvestment Area (CRA) in the Village of Covington. Recommending Council have second reading on Ordinance 8-20 implementing sections 3735.65 through 3735.70 of the Ohio Revised Code establishing a CRA in Covington. Mr. Gooding has informed Mr. Busse that the school is ok with the Ordinance as proposed.

2020 Sidewalk Program

The 2020 sidewalk program is underway. Dynamic Construction has removed some sidewalks and is waiting on the weather to clear up so they can continue with the project.

Water Plant Filter Chemical Feed Room Project

Mr. Busse has change order #1 in the amount of \$274.00 amending the contract amount to \$68,274.00. He also has Shinn Brothers pay request #3 (final) in the amount of \$10,774.00 for Council's review and approval.

Harrison Street Water Service Outage

Our insurance carrier has been contacted and they advised Mr. Busse to submit all invoices for the damaged fire hydrant, and they would pay for the repairs up to \$10,000. Mr. Busse is waiting for the final invoices for the hydrant before submitting to the insurance carrier. Our insurance carrier does not cover underground piping or repairs.

Minutes

Minutes from the 4/20/2020 Council meeting will stand approved as presented.

Financial Reports

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

Old Business

Motion to approve Ordinance 7-20 regulating the operation of low speed vehicles (golf carts) on Village streets was made by Tobias and seconded by Reynolds. All ayes. Motion carried.

Second reading of Ordinance 8-20 an ordinance implementing sections 3735.65 through 3735.70 of the Ohio Revised Code, establishing and describing boundaries of a community reinvestment area in the Village of Covington, designating a housing officer to administer the program and creating a community reinvestment area housing council and a tax incentive review council.

New Business

Motion to approve the (attached) Coronavirus employee pay sheets was made by Tobias and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve change order #1 on the High Street Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project for Finrock Construction in the amount of \$4,722.34 for a revised contract amount of \$53,226.34 was made by Tobias and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve pay request #1 (final) on the High Street Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project for Finrock Construction in the amount of \$53,226.34 was made by Tobias and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve change order #1 on the Water Plant Chemical Feed Room Improvement Project for Shinn Brothers Construction in the amount of \$274.00 for a revised contract amount of \$68,274.00 was made by Tobias and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve pay request #3 (final) on the Water Plant Chemical Feed Room Improvement Project for Shinn Brothers Construction in the amount of \$10,774.00 was made by Tobias and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to waive the three-reading rule and vote on Resolution R21-20 declaring the intention to proceed under the alternate tax document format provided under Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.281 was made by Tobias and seconded by Newman. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution R21-20 was made by Duff and seconded by Tobias. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to extend the waiver for utility penalties and shutoffs for the month of May 2020 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 7:18 PM.

Fiscal Officer

Mayor