

COVINGTON VILLAGE COUNCIL

Covington Village Council met in a regular meeting on June 15, 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 Warner and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Visitors

See attached list.

Adelynn Rich, a Cadette Girl Scout, gave a presentation of a project to earn her Silver Award in Girl Scouts. She would like to install a self-service pantry of non-perishable foods for the Village of Covington families who are struggling to feed their families. A motion to approve the self-service pantry was made by Newman and seconded by Reynolds. All ayes. Motion carried.

Amy Welborn addressed Council regarding the Black Lives Matter rally that was supposed to be held on June 7. Ms. Welborn stated the rally was canceled due to backlash from several members of the community. Ms. Welborn asked Council if they would give some thought to the issues that arose.

Public Hearing

Public hearing was held to review a zoning map amendment for Fields of Grace and Kimmel LLC. There were no questions.

Mayor's Report

Mayor McCord thanked Village employees for their cooperation and work during the Covid-19 shutdown.

Village Administrator Report – the following topics were addressed:

Ludlow Street Project

Mr. Busse has a change order for Wagner Paving for Council's review. The amount will be a deduction of \$21,879.70 for a total revised contract price of \$125,379.05, most of which is changes to the concrete quantities for the project. Also presenting pay request #1(final) for Wagner Paving for this project in the amount of \$125,379.05.

2020 Sidewalk Program

The 2020 sidewalk program is continuing. Dynamic Construction has the project about 50% completed. With the current forecast for this week, most of the sidewalks should be poured back on Harrison Street.

Pearl Street Waterline Replacement Project

The Pearl Street water line replacement project is completed with the exception of the asphalt restoration. Mr. Busse has pay request #1 from Finrock Construction in the amount of \$38,340.00 for Council's review.

Water Plant Filter Media Replacement Project

A&N Construction is scheduled to begin work June 16th. Hopefully this project will be completed in the next 30 days.

Community Reinvestment Area

Recommending Council vote on Ordinance 8-20 implementing sections 3735.65 through 3735.70 of the Ohio Revised Code establishing a CRA in Covington.

Maple Street Basketball Court Renovation Project

Mr. Busse has pay request #3 (final) from Brumbaugh Construction in the amount of \$24,229.28. This project turned out very nice and we should have the pickleball net later this week.

Fire Hydrant Replacements

Claims have been submitted for reimbursement with our insurance company for the Harrison Street fire hydrant and also the State Route 41 hydrant. Finrock Construction will be replacing the State Route 41 hydrant later this week.

Fire/EMS Levy Renewal

Requesting Council waive the three-reading rule and vote to approve Resolution R22-20 declaring the necessity to levy a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation in the amount of 2.5 mills for the purpose of providing and maintaining Fire and EMS services. This is a straight renewal and is not an increase in millage.

School Resource Officer Contract

Requesting Council waive the three-reading rule and vote to approve Resolution R23-20 authorizing the village administrator to enter into a two-year agreement with the Covington Board of Education for school resource officer services. There are no changes from the previous contract with the exception of cost adjustments due to the staffing change from Sergeant Cline to Officer Hickman.

Minutes

Minutes from the 5/18/2020 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 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 (CRA) housing council and a tax incentive review council was made by Newman and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

New Business

Motion to approve pay request #1 on the Pearl Street water line renovation project for Finrock Construction in the amount of \$38,340.00 was made by Weer and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve change order #1 on the 2020 paving program project for Wagner Paving deduction amount of \$21,879.70 for a revised contract amount of \$125,379.05 was made by Tobias and seconded by Reynolds. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve pay request #1 (final) on the 2020 paving program project for Wagner Paving in the amount of \$125,379.05 was made by Newman and seconded by Duff. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve pay request #3 (final) to Brumbaugh Construction on the Maple Street basketball court rehabilitation project in the amount of \$24,229.28 was made by Tobias and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to waive the three-reading rule and vote on Ordinance 10-20 amending the official zoning map for the Village of Covington was made by Weer and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Ordinance 10-20 was made by Newman and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to waive the three-reading rule and vote on Resolution R22-20 declaring the necessity to levy a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation in the amount of 2.5 mills for the purpose of maintaining Fire and EMS services (this is a straight renewal at the previous rate) was made by Newman and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution R22-20 was made by Newman and seconded by Reynolds. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to waive the three-reading rule and vote to approve Resolution R23-20 authorizing the Village Administrator to enter into a two-year agreement with the Covington Board of Education for school resource officer services was made by Tobias and seconded by Warner. All ayes.
Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution R23-20 was made by Tobias and seconded by Warner. All ayes.
Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn made by Weer and seconded by Newman. All ayes.
Meeting adjourned 7:38 PM.

Fiscal Officer

Mayor