

COVINGTON VILLAGE COUNCIL

Covington Village Council met in a regular meeting on April 1, 2019 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:

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| Present | Keith Warner |
| | Dawn Duff |
| | Judy Smith |
| | Lois Newman |
| | Scott Tobias |
| | Bud Weer |

Nonmembers present included Mike Busse-Village Administrator, Frank Patrizio-Village Attorney, Brenda Carroll-Fiscal Officer, Lee Harmon-Police Chief, and Sam Wildow-Piqua Daily Call Reporter.

Agenda:

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

Visitors:

Sam Wildow
Kathy Miller
Nick Church
Tom & Cathy Carder
Joyce Robertson
Cherie Roeth
Darlene Brown

Kathy Miller stated there are several unmarked streets in the Village and street signs are needed. Village Administrator Mike Busse said this matter would be addressed.

Cherie Roeth and Darlene Brown from the J.R. Clarke Public Library informed Council of the following:

The library will be holding their 100th anniversary celebration on Saturday, April 13 at 1:00 PM in JRC's Community Room for all Village residents.

On Saturday June 29 at 3:00 PM, a human USA flag will be formed in the library parking lot. The library needs volunteers to hold flag panels.

Joyce Robertson questioned why the Village pays for street sweeping when the Village has a street sweeper. Mr. Busses explained paying for street sweeping is less expensive than using the Village street sweeper when you consider the cost of operation and the cost of labor. The vendor will sweep the streets in the early AM hours as there are less vehicles parked on the streets at this time, and a more thorough job can be done.

Ms. Robertson also inquired about waiving the three-reading rule on ordinances and resolutions. Village Attorney Frank Patrizio explained it is Council's decision on whether to waive the three-reading rule or not. Mayor McCord explained the ordinances and resolutions on this meeting's agenda are routine items. Any ordinance that makes a law or involves additional expense to residents is given three readings.

Minutes

Minutes from the 3/18/19 Council meeting will stand approved as presented.

Mayor's Report

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

Give Health Fair – Saturday April 6, 2019, 9AM – 12 Noon @ Covington Eagles Hall

Easter Egg Hunt – Saturday April 13, 2019, 1:00 PM @ Covington Community Park

Village Administrator Report – the following topics were addressed:

Old Middle School Lots

A donation of \$20,000 has been received from Covington Savings and Loan. This donation is intended to be used to purchase two parcels of land from the Covington Board of Education. Recommending Council accept the donation and vote to approve Ordinance 10-19 authorizing the purchase of two parcels from the Covington Board of Education.

Road Salt

75 tons of road salt has been delivered this past month. This fulfills our contract for the 2018-2019 winter season. Requesting Council waive the three-reading rule and vote to approve Resolution R10-19 authorizing the Village Administrator to participate in the ODOT 2019-2020 winter road salt cooperative purchasing contract.

South End Lift Station

The South End Lift Station is up and running on the new pumps. We are still working on the level sensor controls and the generator, and hope to have this project completed within the next 30 days. Requesting Council vote to approve a progress payment to Fryman-Kuck in the amount of \$102,338.47.

Zoning

Planning and Zoning is recommending Council vote to approve Ordinance 12-19 authorizing the replat of inlots 487 and 488.

High Street Project

We are continuing to discuss with ODOT proposed R/W takes for the project. Brice and Mr. Busse continue to update and submit information to ODOT as requested.

Requesting Council waive the three-reading rule and vote to approve Ordinance 11-19 authorizing acquisition and relocation payments according to the Federal Highways property acquisition guidelines at a total cost of \$27,442.50.

2019 Street Paving Project

The 2019 street paving project was bid on March 29, 2019. The apparent low bidder is Wagner Paving at \$88,917.50. Requesting Council waive the three-reading rule and vote to approve Resolution R12-19 awarding the 2019 paving project to Wagner Paving.

Police Department Radio Repeater

The Radio BDA (radio repeater) for this building has reached the end of its life and is no longer functional. A grant has been received from the Covington Community Chest in the amount of \$16,358.72 to cover the replacement cost of the BDA. Requesting Council vote to accept the grant and vote to authorize the Village Administrator to purchase a replacement for the failed unit.

Financial Reports

Financial reports will stand approved as presented.

Old Business

Second reading held on Ordinance 8-19 amending the Water and Sewer rates for the Village of Covington.

New Business

Motion to accept a donation of \$20,000 from Covington Savings and Loan to be used toward the purchase of the old middle school lots from the Covington Board of Education was made by Tobias and seconded by Newman. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to waive the three-reading rule and vote to approve Ordinance 10-19 authorizing the Village Administrator to purchase property from the Covington Board of Education was made by Tobias and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Ordinance 10-19 was made by Tobias and seconded by Duff. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to waive the three-reading rule and vote to approve Resolution R10-19 authorizing the Village Administrator to participate in the ODOT salt contract for the 2019-2020 winter season was made by Tobias and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution R10-19 was made by Duff and seconded by Newman. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve a pay request from Fryman-Kuck for the south end lift station in the amount of \$102,338.47 was made by Tobias and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to waive the three-reading rule and vote to approve Ordinance 11-19 authorizing the Village Administrator to make payments for the ODOT property acquisition process was made by Tobias and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Ordinance 11-19 was made by Tobias and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to waive the three-reading rule and vote to approve Resolution R12-19 awarding the 2019 paving project to Wagner Paving at a cost of \$88,917.50 and authorizing the Village Administrator to sign all necessary documents was made by Tobias and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution R12-19 was made by Tobias and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to waive the three-reading rule and vote to approve Ordinance 12-19 approving the replat of inlots 487 and 488 in the Village of Covington was made by Tobias and seconded by Smith. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Ordinance 12-19 was made by Tobias and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to accept a grant in the amount of \$16,358.72 from Covington Community Chest to be used toward the purchase of a new BDA (radio repeater) for the Covington Police Department was made by Newman and seconded by Duff. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the purchase of a replacement BDA for the police department from P&R Communications at a cost of \$16,358.72 was made by Duff and seconded by Newman. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn made by Weer and seconded by Newman. All ayes.
Meeting adjourned 7:35 PM.