

COVINGTON VILLAGE COUNCIL

Covington Village Council met in a regular meeting on June 3, 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:

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

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

Agenda:

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

Visitors:

See attached Council Meeting Attendees List

The following visitors addressed Council:

Joyce Robertson voiced concerns about whether the Service Supervisor position is needed. Also, she wonders whether or not the village should go back to the previous structure of government.

Michael Shafer stated he is not pleased about the village discontinuing trash pickup in the alleys. Also, Mr. Shafer would like to resume the income tax credit. Mr. Busse said there is not enough room in the alleys for the arm of the trash truck to pick up the toters safely.

Deb Shively also has concerns about discontinuing trash pickup in the alleys.

Greg Reynolds asked about painting the curbs yellow at crosswalks. Council had already decided in a previous meeting not to paint the curbs.

Minutes

Minutes from the 5/20/19 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:

The WWI Memorial Parade and celebration was a great success.

Free residential large item pickup is scheduled for the week of June 3rd through June 7th. This free pickup does not include construction debris.

The July 1, 2019 meeting is cancelled due to scheduling conflicts.

Village Administrator Report – the following topics were addressed:

Tax Budget

Requesting council waive the three-reading rule and vote on Resolution R14-19 declaring the intention to proceed under the alternate tax document format provided under Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.281. We have used this alternate tax document for the past several years. Brenda and Mr. Busse are continuing to work on the draft tax budget for 2020.

Street Paving

Wagner Paving has completed the preparation of Wenrick Street and has adjusted the manholes to grade. The long alley has been milled and paved. Wagner will complete the Wenrick paving and the repairs on High Street Monday June 3rd.

High Street Project

DP&L is continuing to work on the estimate for utility relocation.

Economic Development

Work is continuing on the DRD and CRA, and Mr. Busse will have a conference call with Nate Green on Wednesday June 5th to discuss the progress.

Water/Sewer Utilities

We are continuing to work on the design for the water plant chemical containment. Peterson is expected to begin the work on the blower replacement project on Monday June 10th.

Trash Fund

The 150 48-gallon trash toters and 50 black lids have been ordered and delivery is expected during the week of June 17th.

These toters are the same smaller toters we use for recycling but they have black lids like the large trash toters and will be used to implement the low volume trash program. The rate for low volume trash is \$14.75 per month, a \$2.00 per month savings over the standard rate.

Village Services Supervisor

The posting and advertisement of the open position of Village Services Supervisor has been completed. The close date for applications is June 28, 2019.

Financial Reports

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

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

Motion to waive the three-reading rule and vote on Resolution R14-19 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 R14-19 was made by Tobias and seconded by Duff. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn made by Weer and seconded by Newman. All ayes.
Meeting adjourned 7:27 PM.

Fiscal Officer

Mayor