

COVINGTON VILLAGE COUNCIL

Covington Village Council met in a regular meeting on August 19, 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-Attorney, and Lee Harmon-Police Chief.

Agenda:

Item G, approval of Molly's Mile, added to agenda.

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

Visitors:

See attached Council Meeting Attendees List

Nate Green gave a presentation on the proposed Downtown Redevelopment District project. Discussion was held and many positive comments were made.

Minutes

Minutes from the 8/5/19 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 Government Center will be closed on Monday, September 2, 2019 in observance of Labor Day. The September 2nd council meeting will be rescheduled to Tuesday September 3, 2019 @ 7:00 PM.

Village Administrator Report – the following topics were addressed:

Water/Sewer Utilities

The new blowers and the effluent monitoring equipment have been put in service. Peterson Construction has completed all work with the exception of the replacement of a damaged pull box and the final grading and seeding. Recommending Council approve pay request #1 in the amount of \$210,730.00. Also requesting Council approve pay request #2 in the amount of \$25,506.00. The retainage in the amount of \$9,160 will be held on this project until the seeding is completed.

The water plant chemical feed room has been advertised and will bid on September 13 @ 1:00 PM. The engineers estimate for this project is \$126,943. This project is being completed at the direction of the Ohio EPA.

Basketball Court Renovations

The basketball court renovation project has been advertised and will bid on September 12 @ 10:00 AM. The engineers estimate for this project is \$137,000 which includes a 10% contingency.

Ludlow Street Storm Sewer Renovations

The Ludlow Street Storm Sewer Improvement project has been advertised and will bid on August 30 @ 10:00 AM. Engineers estimate for this project is \$45,000, and Perrigo has agreed to reimburse the village \$25,000 for this project.

Crosswalk Painting

All crosswalks have been repainted with the exception of High and Broadway. A quote is being obtained for repainting this intersection.

Credit Card Use Policy

The State of Ohio requires that Council approve a formal credit card use policy. Requesting Council have first reading on Resolution R21-19 establishing a formal credit card use policy.

Kyle Boehringer's Resignation

Kyle Boehringer has resigned from his position with the Village of Covington effective August 30, 2019. Mr. Busse regretfully is recommending that Council vote to approve his resignation.

Village Services Supervisor

Requesting Council vote to authorize the Village Administrator to make a conditional offer to Michael Weber to fill the Village Services Supervisor position. Mr. Weber's proposed rate of pay will be level #1 @ \$30.00 per hour, and his proposed starting date will be September 9, 2019. Mr. Weber holds a class 1 water supply license and a class 3 wastewater treatment license. All qualified internal candidates declined the position based on the proposed rate of pay and job duties.

Financial Reports

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

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

Motion to set a public hearing on Monday September 16, 2019 @ 7:00 PM to review and obtain public comments on a proposed zoning map amendment for 152 N. High Street, Parcel #H19-001520, from Central Business District to R-1 Residential was made by Tobias and seconded by Newman. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve pay request #1 to Peterson Construction for the WWTP improvements phase #2 blower replacement project in the amount of \$210,730 was made by Tobias and seconded by Duff. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve pay request #2 to Peterson Construction for the WWTP improvements phase #2 blower replacement project in the amount of \$25,506, which does not include the project retainage, was made by Tobias and seconded by Duff. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to accept the resignation of Kyle Boehringer effective 8/30/19 was made by Tobias and seconded by Duff. All ayes (Newman with regrets). Motion carried.

Motion to authorize the Village Administrator to made a conditional offer to Michael Weber to fill the Village Services Supervisor position pending a successful background check, starting pay at level #1 \$30.00 per hour, and proposed start date Monday, September 9th was made by Newman and seconded by Smith. All ayes. Motion carried.

First reading on Resolution R21-19 establishing a formal credit card use policy for the Village of Covington.

Motion to approve Molly's Mile to be held on August 30, 2019 was made by Tobias and seconded by Newman. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn made by Weer and seconded by Newman. All ayes.
Meeting adjourned 7:45 PM.

Fiscal Officer

Mayor