

COVINGTON VILLAGE COUNCIL

Covington Village Council met in a regular meeting on April 18, 2016 at the Village office at 1 S. High St. Covington. Mayor Ed McCord called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following roll call was taken for council:

Present	Scott Tobias
	Bud Weer
	Keith Warner
	Joyce Robertson
	Judy Smith
	Lois Newman

The council packet included minutes from the 04/04/16 meeting, Village Administrator report, and the bill packets including checks #9373-9415.

Nonmembers present included Frank Patrizio-Attorney, Mike Busse-Village Administrator, Brenda Carroll-Fiscal Officer, Sam Wildow-reporter from Piqua Daily Call, Lee Harmon-Chief of Police, Bart Weer-Covington Fire and Rescue, Brad Weer and Mary Wright-Covington EMS, and Village residents.

Agenda:

A motion was made by Warner and seconded by Robertson to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

Emergency Services Reports

Bart Weer presented the Covington Fire and Rescue report for the first quarter of 2016.

First quarter 2016 report for the Covington EMS was presented by Brad Weer.

First quarter 2016 report for the Covington Police Department was given by Chief of Police Lee Harmon. Mr. Harmon stated Police Officers Blei and Novellino were honored this year at the annual Police Officers Recognition Ceremony. Mr. Harmon also said the Police Department has several activities coming up: Mock crash on April 27 at the high school; the high school Prom on April 30; 3 on 3 basketball tournament on July 23.

Minutes:

The minutes from the 04/04/2016 meeting are approved as read.

Mayors Report

Mayor McCord updated Council on his monthly meetings and activities, and informed Council of the following:

Give Health Fair will be held April 23 from 9AM to 12 noon at the Covington Eagles.

Village Administrator Report-the following topics were addressed:

Trash Program

Requesting Council authorize the Village Administrator to join the NJPA cooperative purchasing program which is a national cooperative purchasing program based out of Minnesota. They have national contracts with vendors such as Leach. This is a no cost membership for the Village.

High Street Design

The High Street survey work has begun, and should be completed by July 2016.

Safe Routes to School

All but one of the R/W takes have been filed with the engineer's office. Due to one owner being out of state, we are communicating with this person via the US mail system, and hope to have this R/W filed by the end of this week. Brice Schmitmeyer and Mr. Busse will be having a conference call with ODOT on 4/19/16.

Water Meter Change Out

To date, 811 water meters have been replaced.

Income Survey

Included in Council's packets are copies of the proposed letter and survey that will be mailed to village residents on Monday May 2nd. We are asking village residents to fill out the survey, and return the survey to Access Engineering in the postage-paid, self-addressed envelope included with the letter. This completed survey will help us qualify for grant programs to help fund future village projects. Village officials will only see the compiled data, not individual surveys.

Funds Transfers

Requesting Council's approval to proceed with the following budgeted fund transfers:

- Approve the transfer of \$190,000 from the general fund, \$30,000 from the water fund and \$25,000 from the sewer fund to the debt service fund to cover the final payment for Walnut Street and the 2016 payments for Spring Street.
- Approve the transfer of \$10,000 from the general fund to the capital fund for the safe routes to school project.

Gas and Electric Aggregation

Requesting Council pass Resolution R17-16 authorizing the Village Administrator to enter into a consulting service agreement with Affordable Gas and Electric. A.G.E. will provide assistance with educating village residents on the benefits of gas and electric aggregation as well as handling the gas and electric bid process when the ballot issues are approved by the residents. This is a no cost service to the Village.

Updated Noise Ordinance

Included in Council's packet is the proposed noise ordinance to replace the ordinance originally passed in 1978. Requesting first reading on this proposed ordinance.

Bills/Financials

Motion to approve the Bills and Financials including checks #9373-9415 was made by Newman and seconded by Robertson. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the transfer of \$190,000 from the general fund, \$30,000 from the water fund and \$25,000 from the sewer fund to the debt service fund to cover the final payment for Walnut Street and the 2016 payments for Spring Street (budgeted items), was made by Smith and seconded by Weer. All ayes.

Motion to approve the transfer of \$10,000 from the general fund to the capital fund for the safe routes to school project (budgeted items), was made by Warner and seconded by Weer. All ayes.

OLD BUSINESS

Motion to approve Resolution R11-16 (third reading) authorizing the Village Administrator to purchase a M2-106 Freightliner chassis from Stoops Freightliner through the ODOT state purchasing program contract #023-15 and lease this chassis through TCF Financing at a cost of \$86,352.00 was made by Warner and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Ordinance 10-16 (third reading) authorizing all actions necessary to effectuate an opt-out electric service aggregation program pursuant to Ohio revised code 4928.20; and directing the Miami County Board of Elections to submit the ballot question to the electors; and authorizing an agreement with an agent for such purposes was made by Warner and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Ordinance 11-16 (third reading) authorizing all actions necessary to effectuate an opt-out gas service aggregation program pursuant to Ohio revised code 4928.20; and directing the Miami County Board of Elections to submit the ballot question to the electors; and authorizing an agreement with an agent for such purposes was made by Warner and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion to approve and authorize the Village Administrator to join NJPA cooperative purchasing program was made by Smith and seconded by Weer. All ayes.

Stand as first reading on Resolution R16-16 authorizing the Village Administrator to purchase a 20 yard Leach Alpha III rear load packer from Best Equipment through the NJPA cooperative purchasing program, contract #112014-LEG and lease this unit through TCF Financing at a cost of \$82,407.40.

Motion made to waive the three reading on Resolution R17-16 authorizing the Village Administrator to enter into a consulting services agreement with Affordable Gas and Electric was made by Warner and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution R17-16 was made by Weer and seconded by Warner. All ayes.
Motion carried.

Stand as first reading on Ordinance 13-16, Noise Ordinance.

Motion to set the repayment terms for the 2016 Sidewalk Program as a four year payback with a onetime 6% fee was made by Warner and seconded by Newman. All ayes.

Motion to adjourn made by Weer and seconded by Newman. All ayes.
Meeting adjourned 7:36 PM.

Fiscal Officer

Mayor