

COVINGTON VILLAGE COUNCIL

Covington Village Council met in a regular meeting on June 6, 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 05/17/16 meeting, Village Administrator report, and the bill packets including checks #9511-9544.

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

Agenda:

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

Minutes:

The minutes from the 05/17/2016 meeting are approved as read.

Public Hearing

Open public hearing on a Zoning Map amendment to rezone Mullen's Firestone to HS (Highway Service). Mayor McCord informed Council the Planning and Zoning Board has approved the rezoning. There was no discussion.

Motion to waive the three reading rule on Ordinance 14-16 amending the 1992 Covington Official Zoning map to change 1005 E. Broadway from OS to HS (Highway Service) was made by Weer and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Ordinance 14-16 was made by Tobias and seconded by Smith. All ayes. Motion carried.

Mayors Report

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

Due to July 4th being on a Monday, Mayor McCord requested the first meeting in July be moved to Tuesday July 5th. Council agreed.

Mayor McCord requested a special Council meeting be set for June 13 at 8:00 PM to discuss the possibility of running a levy to provide funding for Fire and EMS Services in the Village of Covington. Meeting was set for June 13 at 8:00 PM.

Village Administrator Report-the following topics were addressed:

Community Chest Donation

Miami County is in the process of upgrading our emergency radio communication systems. The County is providing radios for the Police Department but the Village is required to purchase extra batteries, cases, lapel microphones, and to have the radios installed, and we must fund the public works radio equipment 100%. The Village has received a donation of \$7,089.70 from the Covington Community Chest to fund a majority of the Village's radio upgrade costs, and we very much appreciate the support of the Community Chest to help our emergency responders keep Covington safe.

School Resource Officer

Meeting was held with Covington Schools, and we have come to an agreement on a two year contract for School Resource Officer services. Requesting Council waive the three reading rule and pass Resolution R25-16 authorizing the Village Administrator to execute this agreement.

Safe Routes to School Program

Recommending to Council that we pass a final Resolution R26-16 for the ODOT Safe Routes to School project. ODOT engineering has compiled their own budget numbers for the project and feel our estimate is too low. ODOT is requiring us to provide a check in the amount of \$51,500 before they will proceed with the bidding of the project. As we have discussed, ODOT has committed to the first \$240,000 for the project, and the Village is responsible for the overages. Brice Schmitmeyer and Mr. Busse have spent a considerable amount of time running the numbers, and feel that we are very likely to come in under the \$240,000 construction estimate for the project. If the bids come back less than \$240,000, ODOT will return the funds to us. If by chance the project runs over budget, funds will be taken out of the additional \$51,500 to cover the overruns.

Income Survey

143 usable surveys have been received so far, and we need 300 to qualify for a valid survey. Meeting with Access Engineering is scheduled for June 7 to make plans to go door to door to obtain the surveys. If any Council member is interested in helping out, please contact Mr. Busse.

Sellman's Property

Access Engineering has created an exhibit of the Sellman property included in Council's packets. Direction is needed from Council to move forward with the property donation. Next step is working with Mr. Patrizio and Access Engineering to complete the acquisition.

Water Tower Renovation

Currently making repairs on the water tower. When the repairs are completed, paint crew will begin painting.

Phone system replacement

Working with OVIS on the implementation of the phone system, and we are still on track for the phone system to be installed sometime in June.

Paul's Pizza

Contents of the building have been removed. The teardown will occur sometime in late July.

Bills/Financials

Motion to approve the Bills and Financials including checks #9511-9544 was made by Smith and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion to accept a donation of \$7,089.70 from the Covington Community Chest, and to authorize the Village Administrator to purchase new radio equipment was made by Newman and seconded by Smith. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to waive the three reading rule on Resolution R25-16 authorizing the Village Administrator to enter into a two year agreement with Covington Exempted Village Schools for School Resource Officer services was made by Weer and seconded by Newman. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution R25-16 was made by Newman and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to waive the three reading rule on Resolution R26-16 authorizing the Village Administrator to sign the contracts and for the Fiscal Officer to issue a check in the amount of \$51,500 to the Treasurer of State of Ohio to allow for the bidding and construction of the Safe Routes to School Project was made by Warner and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution R26-16 was made by Warner and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to declare three Mossberg shotguns, serial numbers **R960289, R818195, and R96028**, as surplus and approve the trade-in and the purchase of three new Remington 870 shotguns as replacements from Vance's at a cost of \$675.00 including the trade-in value of \$450.00 was made by Robertson and seconded by Smith. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to allow the Church of Christ to close an adjacent alley on Monday of each week for a youth luncheon from 11:30-1:30 PM was made by Smith and seconded by Newman. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to authorize the Village Administrator to enter into an agreement with Delores Sampson to mitigate issues created during the Spring Street Project was made by Warner and seconded by Tobias. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn made by Weer and seconded by Newman. All ayes.
Meeting adjourned 7:40 PM.

Fiscal Officer

Mayor