

COVINGTON VILLAGE COUNCIL

Covington Village Council met in a regular meeting on January 17, 2017 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
	Judy Smith
	Joyce Robertson
	Lois Newman

The council packet included minutes from the 1/3/17 meeting, Village Administrator report, and the bill packets including checks #10045-10054.

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

Visitors:

Judy Barga, Pleasant Hill Village Council, was here to observe our Council meeting.

Agenda:

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

Minutes:

The minutes from the 1/3/17 meeting were approved as read.

Mayor's Report:

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

Council meeting to be held on Monday February 20th, is rescheduled to Tuesday February 21st due to Presidents Day falling on February 20th.

Village Administrator Report-the following topics were addressed:

137 N. High Street

Mr. Patrizio suggests that we continue to table this issue until the next Council meeting due to pending litigation. Mr. Denlinger, owner of the property, has a pre-trial hearing on 2/2/17.

Appropriations for 2017

Brenda and Mr. Busse have prepared 2017 draft appropriations included in Council's packet for review. Recommending we have first reading on Ordinance 1-17.

Water Plant

The leaking filter waste valve has been replaced.

Quotes have been obtained for the replacement of the waste pit pump that has failed at the water plant, and the replacement pump will be ordered 1/18/17.

Included in Council's packet for review is a quote from Buckeye State Pipe for 75 Badger water meters at a cost of \$15,540.00. Requesting Council approve the purchase. As previously discussed, Badger uses a dealer network for sales and distribution of their water meters. To date we have installed 900 meters, and have approximately 270 more to replace.

High Street Courtyard

Two concrete quotes included in Council's packet for review. One from Robinson Concrete in the amount of \$5,975.00, and one from J&J Stampworks in the amount of \$5,460.00.

Recommending Council award the concrete work to the low quote from J&J Stampworks in the amount of \$5,460.00. As a matter of disclosure, the owner(s), Jake and Jill Grise, are Brenda Carroll's daughter and son-in-law. Ms. Carroll had no knowledge of or any involvement in the process of obtaining the quotes for this project.

2017 Sidewalk Program

Advertisements for bids will be later this week, with an early February bid date.

High Street Reconstruction Project

Mr. Busse will be attending a meeting at MVRPC in Dayton on January 18 to review the scoring of the High Street reconstruction project. Our project currently has been scored as the #2 project on the list, and once the scoring is finalized a tentative award, fund and construction date will be set. Requesting a grant of 2.9 million dollars for this project, and included in Council's packet is the proposed schedule for the project.

Government Center Custodian

Recommending Council approve the hiring of Heidi Denlinger as a part-time custodian not to exceed 29 hours a week at an hourly rate of \$8.47. Heidi had previously worked as a custodian at our community park in 2015. She will replace Tyler who recently resigned.

WWTP Phase 1 Improvement Project

Requesting Council authorize the Village Administrator to seek bids for the Waste Water Treatment Facility Phase 1 Improvement Project. The proposed schedule would be to advertise for bids on January 23 and January 30. A pre-bid meeting is proposed for February 7th at 10:00 AM, and bid opening is proposed for February 21st at 10:00 AM.

Bills/Financials

Motion to approve Bills and Financials including checks #10045-10054 was made by Newman and seconded by Smith. All ayes. Motion carried.

2017 Draft Budget reviewed.

Old Business

Second reading on Resolution R1-17 authorizing the Village Administrator to sign all necessary paperwork to enter into an agreement with the Ohio Attorney General's office for the collection of delinquent income taxes.

New Business

Motion to approve the hiring of Heidi Denlinger as a part-time custodian not to exceed 29 hours per week effective 1/18/17 at a starting pay rate of \$8.47 per hour was made by Newman and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the purchase of 75 Badger water meters from Buckeye State Pipe at a cost of \$15,540.00 was made by Weer and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the bid from J&J Stampworks in the amount of \$5,460.00 for the High Street patio concrete work was made by Weer and seconded by Smith. All ayes. Motion carried.

First reading on Ordinance 1-17 approving the budget for fiscal year 2017.

Motion to waive the three reading rule on Resolution R4-17 authorizing the Village Administrator to seek bids for the Waste Water Treatment Facility Phase 1 improvements was made by Warner and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution R4-17 was made by Warner and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn made by Weer and seconded by Newman. All ayes.
Meeting adjourned 7:24 PM.

Fiscal Officer

Mayor

