

## COVINGTON VILLAGE COUNCIL

Covington Village Council met in a regular meeting on June 5, 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	Keith Warner
	Judy Smith
	Bud Weer
	Lois Newman
	Scott Tobias
	Joyce Robertson

The council packet included minutes from the 5/15/17 meeting, Village Administrator report, and the bill packets including checks #10360-10398.

Nonmembers present included Frank Patrizio-Attorney, Mike Busse-Village Administrator, Brenda Carroll-Fiscal Officer, Steve Blei-Police Officer, and Sam Wildow-Piqua Daily Call Reporter.

### **Agenda:**

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

### **Visitors:**

Kathy Miller  
Greg Reynolds  
Janice Hayes  
Virginia Hayes  
Dawn Duff

Mr. Reynolds addressed Council with his concerns regarding paying for new curbs and gutters on the Chestnut Street repaving project, specifically east from Sharon Street on the north side of the street, and why Chestnut to Wenrick does not have to pay. Village Administrator Mike Busse explained not all of the residents on that street are having curbs reconstructed and replaced, only getting asphalt over the top of them. Therefore, these residents would not have to pay at this time but possibly in the future if the curbs are replaced. Mr. Busse also stated this process of curb replacement is consistent with what the Village has done in the past.

Ms. Janice Hayes was in attendance regarding the unfortunate incident concerning the death of her dog. Mayor McCord stated how very sorry the Village was on the loss of her pet, and the Village is taking a proactive position. Mayor McCord said the owner of the pit bull has been charged, and that Police Chief Lee Harmon is continuing to look into the situation.

**Minutes:**

The minutes from the 5/15/17 meeting were approved as read.

**Mayor's Report:**

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

No Council meeting on July 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Motion to close Wall Street between Wright and Maple Streets for Summer Camp June 19-23 was made by Robertson and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Village Administrator Report**-the following topics were addressed:

**WWTP Phase 1 Improvement Project**

Currently working on submittals for project materials.

**High Street Project**

Will be talking with Ticon Paving about options for extending the pavement life until we reconstruct High Street in 2022.

**Safe Routes to School**

The project is underway, and tree removal has been completed. The sidewalk and curbing on Chestnut Street has been removed, and new curb is scheduled for June 7<sup>th</sup>.

**2017 Street Repaving Project**

Ticon Paving is the apparent low bidder for this project with a bid of \$101,406.50. Requesting Council award the bid to Ticon Paving, and vote on Resolution R20-17 which is included in Council's Packet.

**2017 Sidewalk Project**

J&J Stampworks has begun work on the High Street sidewalks, and will keep working on the project until it is completed.

**Planning and Zoning**

Planning and Zoning has been very busy, and the committee has approved permits for many fences and accessory buildings. Also, two new homes on Spring Street have been approved, and plans for a third home will be submitted very soon.

Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday June 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 PM.

**Obsolete Radio Equipment**

Recommending to Council that we authorize the transfer of obsolete radio equipment to the Miami County Sheriff's Office, and Resolution R21-17 is included in Council's packet for review.

**High Street Patio**

Fencing has been ordered from Hess Fence in Versailles, and expected to be installed within the next two weeks. Cost is approximately \$1,500.

**Fire Hydrant Replacement**

Finrock Construction will be relocating the fire hydrant at the corner of Chestnut and Sharon Streets. They will also be replacing the manhole on Chestnut Street at Richeson which has been a problem for many years. Hopefully, this will correct some of the sewer backup problems that periodically occur on Richeson Street.

**Park Custodian**

Recommending Council approve the rehiring of Madison Cook for the Park Custodian position. This would be a part-time position not to exceed 29 hours per week with a starting pay of \$8.47 per hour.

**State of Ohio Contract**

We have received the contract from the State of Ohio for delinquent tax collections at no cost to the Village. This is in reference to Resolution R1-17.

**Bills/Financials**

Motion to approve Bills and Financials including checks #10360-10398 was made by Newman and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Old Business**

Motion to waive the three reading rule and vote on Resolution R20-17 accepting the low bid from Ticon Paving in the amount of \$101,406.50 for the 2017 Street Resurfacing Program and authorizing the Village Administrator to sign all necessary documents was made by Warner and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution R20-17 was made by Tobias and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to waive the three reading rule and vote on Resolution R21-17 authorizing the transfer of obsolete radio equipment to the Miami County Sheriff's Office was made by Newman and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution R21-17 was made by Newman and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

**New Business**

Motion to waive the three reading rule and vote on Resolution R22-17 authorizing the Fiscal Officer to proceed with alternate tax budget procedures was made by Warner and seconded by Newman. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution R22-17 was made by Weer and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to hire Madison Cook as a part time park maintenance worker not to exceed 29 hours a week at a rate of \$8.47 per hour, pending a successful background check, was made by Tobias and seconded by Robertson. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn made by Weer and seconded by Newman. All ayes.  
Meeting adjourned 7:35 PM.

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Fiscal Officer

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Mayor