

COVINGTON VILLAGE COUNCIL

Covington Village Council met in a regular meeting on August 1, 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
	Judy Smith
	Lois Newman
	Joyce Robertson

The council packet included minutes from the 07/18/16 meeting, Village Administrator report, and the bill packets including checks #9666-9704.

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 Tobias and seconded by Newman to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

Minutes:

The minutes from the 07/18/16 meeting were approved as read.

Mayor's Report

Mayor McCord, Mr. Busse, and Mr. Harmon met with Covington Schools superintendent and principal to discuss any issues that might arise with the opening of the new building, and first day of school.

Mayor McCord publically thanked Mr. Busse for all the work he does, and the extra hours he puts in for the Village.

Village Administrator Report-the following topics were addressed:

Water Tower Renovation

Painting of the tank will be completed by 8/3/16, and must set for a minimum of 7 days to allow the paint to cure properly. The tower will then be disinfected, tested, and put back in service.

The valve at the base of the tank has been leaking and is very hard to operate, and we feel it should be replaced before putting the tower back in service. After digging up the valve, we discovered this is a more complicated project than our staff is capable of completing. I have a quote from Finrock Construction to replace the T, install two valves and replace the fire hydrant below the tower at a cost of \$13,975.00, which includes approximately \$6000.00 in materials to complete this project. This work must be completed with the tower drained because all of the valves and piping are between the tower and the street. It is our belief that these parts being replaced are original to the tower.

2016 Sidewalk Program

The sidewalks are complete, and M&T will be completing the backfill and grading this week. Village staff will finish the final grading and seeding in August. Invoices for sidewalks and curbs have been mailed out to the affected Village residents.

OPWC Income Survey

All income surveys have now been received, and we are waiting for the results which will then be reported to Council.

Safe Routes to School

The project bid on July 28th, and the apparent low bidder was approximately \$20,000 under the funding cap. This project is anticipated to be awarded on August 8, 2016. Once awarded, we will be notified who the contractor is and the exact bid for the project.

Sewer Plant Renovations

Met with CH2MHILL the week of July 25 to review the 50% plans for the sewer plant. They are continuing to work on the drawings. We anticipate bidding this project in December, and starting construction Spring 2017. Our draft discharge permit has been received which should become valid in the next three weeks.

School Teardown

The water and sewer lines will be dug up this week and capped. The teardown of both schools is ongoing.

ODOT – On Road Bike Route

ODOT is in the process of finalizing various bike routes around the state. SBR36 comes from the Piqua area and utilizes back roads including Ingle road through Covington. It then turns North to Covington-Bradford and utilizes this road to get to Bradford. ODOT is requesting each jurisdiction that has an identified approved on road bike route to formally issue a resolution supporting the route. As the off road bike path is developed, ODOT will work with us to modify the approved route to use the off road paths where available. Covington's only commitment is to maintain the signage once ODOT has installed them.

Broadway Storm Project

Our grant application for the Broadway Storm Project for next year was turned down. The committee felt that our application was not close enough in scope to our original application for I&I reduction.

Paul's Pizza

Tear down of building will be within the next three weeks.

Bills/Financials

Motion to approve the Bills and Financials including checks #9666-9704 was made by Tobias and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Old Business

Stand as Second Reading on Resolution R35-16 leaving special assessments for the purpose of paying the cost of lighting the streets in the Village of Covington, Ohio for the year 2017.

New Business

Stand as First Reading on Resolution R36-16 approving the ODOT SBR36 bike route.

Councilmember Robertson had a question about the wording of Resolution R36-16 where it states the "Village of Covington helped propose specific routes to be designated". Mr. Busse explained this resolution came from ODOT and "Village of Covington" was inserted in the document. Mr. Busse also stated he had met with ODOT to discuss the SBR36 bike route.

Motion to approve the replacement of two valves and a fire hydrant below the 100,000 gallon water tower was made by Tobias and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn made by Weer and seconded by Newman. All ayes.
Meeting adjourned 7:37 PM.

Fiscal Officer

Mayor

