

## COVINGTON VILLAGE COUNCIL

Covington Village Council met in a regular meeting on September 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
	Judy Smith
	Lois Newman
	Joyce Robertson

The council packet included minutes from the 08/15/16 meeting, Village Administrator report, and the bill packets including checks #9732-9769.

Nonmembers present included Frank Patrizio-Attorney, Mike Busse-Village Administrator, Lee Harmon-Police Chief, Brenda Carroll-Fiscal Officer.

### **Agenda:**

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

### **Minutes:**

The minutes from the 08/15/16 meeting were approved as read.

### **Mayor's Report:**

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

Public Hearings for Gas and Electric aggregation will be held on September 19<sup>th</sup> and October 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

Fort Rowdy Ham and Bean and Chili Dinner will be held Saturday, 9/10/16, from 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

Formal dedication of the new K-8 school building will be held Sunday, 9/11/16, at 2 PM.

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

### **Water Tower Renovation**

The tower has been refilled and is back in service. A little yard maintenance and seeding need to be done when we have time.

### **Safe Routes to School**

ODOT has been contacted about this project but a date for the preconstruction meeting has not been set.

### **St Rt 36 Speed Study**

Mr. Busse spoke with Craig at Choice One who feels the Village has a good chance at getting the speed limit reduced to 40 MPH but was uncertain about our chances of getting it reduced to 35 MPH. Mr. Busse told Craig the Village would wait and see how the traffic flows before proceeding with a speed study.

ODOT does not have specific criteria for determining if a speed limit should be lowered but waits for information obtained by a speed study.

### **Trash and Recycling Toters**

Included in Council's packet is a proposal for the lease of additional trash and recycling totes, and we have budgeted \$10,000 for this year. Requesting Council consider purchasing additional trash and recycling totes, and financing them over the next two years. Council instructed Mr. Busse to proceed in obtaining a quote.

### **Utility Service Truck**

Recommending to Council that we purchase a 2017 Ford F250 pickup from Middletown Ford in the amount of \$26,665.84 utilizing the State of Ohio cooperative purchasing program.

Also recommending to Council that we purchase a service body for this truck in the amount of \$5,500.00 from KE Rose. The total cost is \$32,165.84, and this is a budgeted item through the water and sewer funds. This will replace a 2001 Dodge service truck.

### **Wagner Paving**

Steven Street and Chestnut Street between Steven and Debra have been repaved. Requesting Council approve the amendment of the contract price from \$49,898.00 to \$48,329.15, and vote to approve the payment to Wagner Paving.

### **136 N. High Street**

136 N. High Street has been demolished and the lot has been seeded. Requesting Council approve the payment of \$9,400.00 to M&T Excavating for the teardown.

### **2016 Sidewalk Project**

Requesting Council amend the original contract amount from \$25,426.00 to \$31,610.79 for M&T Excavating. Increase is due to a change in actual quantities of work completed during the project, most of which will be assessed to the property owners.

### **Bills/Financials**

Motion to approve the Bills and Financials including checks #9732-9769 was made by Smith and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

## **Old Business**

Motion to approve Resolution R36-16 approving the ODOT SBR36 bike route was made by Warner and seconded by Smith. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to waive the three reading rule on Resolution R37-16 placing a 180 day moratorium on the growing and sale of marijuana products in the Village of Covington was made by Warner and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution R37-16 was made by Robertson and seconded by Newman. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to waive the three reading rule on Ordinance 19-16 leaving special assessments for the 2016 sidewalk curb and drive approach replacement program was made by Warner and seconded by Smith. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Ordinance 19-16 was made by Robertson and seconded by Newman. All ayes. Motion carried.

## **New Business**

Motion to approve hiring Kevin Wright as a part time police officer for the Village of Covington was made by Newman and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve a progress payment in the amount of \$42,369.00 to CH2MHill for the Wastewater plant phase 1 design was made by Weer and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to waive the three reading rule on Resolution R39-16 authorizing the Village Administrator to purchase a 2017 Ford F250 from Middletown Ford in the amount of \$26,665.84 on the State of Ohio cooperative purchasing program was made by Smith and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution R39-16 was made by Weer and seconded by Smith. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to waive the three reading rule on Resolution R40-16 authorizing the Village Administrator to purchase a Reading utility body from KE Rose in the amount of \$5,500.00 was made by Warner and seconded by Smith. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution R40-16 was made by Weer and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to amend the Stevens Street paving contract amount for Wagner Paving from the original bid price of \$49,898.00 to \$48,329.15 was made by Robertson and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to authorize the payment of \$48,329.15 to Wagner Paving was made by Warner and seconded by Robertson. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to authorize the payment of \$9,400.00 to M&T Excavating for the 136 N. High Street teardown was made by Newman and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to amend the 2016 sidewalk project contract amount for M&T Excavating from the original contract amount of \$25,426.00 to the amended amount of \$31,610.79 was made by Robertson and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to authorize the payment of \$31,610.79 to M&T Excavating for the 2016 sidewalk project was made by Warner and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the 2016 Homecoming Parade route was made by Warner and seconded by Robertson. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn made by Weer and seconded by Newman. All ayes.  
Meeting adjourned 7:44 PM.

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Fiscal Officer

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Mayor