

## COVINGTON VILLAGE COUNCIL

Covington Village Council met in a regular meeting on January 29, 2018 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
	Scott Tobias
	Lois Newman
	Dawn Duff.

The council packet included minutes from the 1/16/18 regular meeting, Village Administrator report, and bill packets including checks #10851-11008.

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

### **Agenda:**

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

### **Visitors:**

Tom Carder  
Bart Weer  
Brad Weer  
Chris Haines  
David Duff

Tom Carder addressed Council regarding the idea of having a village-wide garage sale to coincide with the Labor Day weekend. Mr. Carder stated this would be a Covington Chamber of Commerce sponsored event, and the Village would not have large trash pickup the following week. Council agreed to the village-wide garage sale.

David Larson was unable to attend the Council meeting to speak to Council about the annual Eric Flory P.L.U.S. 5k run. Mayor McCord said this race will be the same route as last year, and asked Council for a vote to approve.

Motion to approve the Eric P.L.U.S. 5k Run was made by Tobias and seconded by Newman. All ayes. Motion carried.

Covington EMS Chief Brad Weer and Covington Fire Chief Bart Weer presented their annual emergency services reports for 2017.

Police Chief Lee Harmon presented the annual police report for 2017.

**Minutes:**

Motion to approve the minutes from the 1/16/18 meeting was made by Tobias and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Mayor's Report:**

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

Mayor McCord reminded Council the February 19<sup>th</sup> meeting is rescheduled to February 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM.

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

**Market Development Grant**

I was approached by Resource One to partner with them in applying for a \$200,000 Ohio EPA market development grant. If we are awarded the grant, Resource One intends to add additional equipment to allow them to process a greater number of air bags. If approved, the Village would be the grant recipient and would administer the grant funds. Requesting Council waive the three-reading rule, and pass Resolution R4-18 authorizing the Village Administrator to apply for the grant, and sign all necessary paperwork.

**Sewer Plant Renovations**

Work continues on the piping and electrical work. The effluent pump bases are set, and they will be backfilling around the UV tank. We are currently completing additional concrete strength testing to be sure the concrete meets the minimum specifications for the project.

**Water Plant Maintenance**

Moody's of Dayton will be in later this week to reinstall HS Pump #2.

**2018 Budget**

We have closed budget year 2017. A full copy of the income, expense, and year-end fund balances have been emailed to each Councilmember. Hope to have the proposed 2018 budget for Council's approval at the next meeting.

**2018 Dump Truck**

Requesting Council vote to authorize the Village Administrator to advertise for bids for a 2018 single axel dump truck with plow and salt box. This will replace the 1992 dump truck that was sold last year.

**2018 Sidewalk Program**

Requesting Council waive the three-reading rule and pass Resolution R2-18 authorizing the 2018 Sidewalk Program. Also requesting Council vote to authorize the advertisement for bids for the 2018 Sidewalk Program.

### **2018 Document Shredding Event**

A document shredding event has been scheduled for Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, from 9 to 11 AM at the Government Center. This event will be open to Covington residents, and is being provided to residents at no charge. Covington residents are encouraged to bring documents to be shredded to the Government Center at that time.

### **Road Salt**

Approximately 100 tons of road salt has been received from Compass Minerals through our ODOT contract. This should be enough to carry us through the rest of the winter.

### **2018 Village Income Tax Assistance**

The 2017 Covington Income Tax forms have been mailed to Covington residents. To assist residents with questions, staff from the St. Mary's Department of Taxation will be at the Government Center in Covington on the following dates and times:

- Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup> from 10 AM to 1 PM.
- Thursday, April 5<sup>th</sup> from 1 to 4 PM.
- Tuesday, April 10<sup>th</sup> from 6 to 8 PM.

Residents are asked to bring their W-2's and a copy of their federal tax return (1040 form). To avoid penalties, completed income tax forms must be received at the **St. Mary's Department of Taxation, 106 E. Spring Street, St. Mary's Ohio 45885-2363, no later than April 17, 2018.**

### **Proposed Food Truck Rally – Sponsored by the Miami Valley Music Festival**

Brad Denson met with Chief Harmon and myself to discuss the possibility of holding a food truck rally on Saturday May 12, 2018. The proposed hours are from 11 AM to 7 PM. If approved, they would like to close Wright Street from High Street to Wall Street for the event. This would also necessitate the closure of the intersection of Pearl and Wright Street. In addition to the food trucks, they plan to have live music and sell beer as a fundraiser for their organization. (A drawing is attached for Council's review.)

### **Financial**

Motion to approve the financial reports was made by Smith and seconded by Duff. All ayes. Motion carried.

### **Old Business**

There was no old business.

### **New Business**

Motion to approve the Village Administrator to advertise for bids for a new single axel dump truck to replace the 1992 dump truck that was sold last year was made by Warner and seconded by Smith. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to waive the three-reading rule and vote on Resolution R2-18 authorizing the 2018 sidewalk program was made by Newman and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution R2-18 was made by Tobias and seconded by Newman. Duff, Newman, Tobias, Warner, and Smith voted aye. Weer abstained. Motion carried.

Motion to authorize the Village Administrator to advertise for bids for the 2018 Sidewalk Program was made by Tobias and seconded by Duff. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to waive the three-reading rule and vote on Ordinance 1-18 adopting the 2018 Ohio Basic Code was made by Tobias and seconded by Duff. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Ordinance 1-18 was made by Tobias and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to waive the three-reading rule and vote on Resolution R3-18 approving the Records Retention Board's recommendation to destroy records and authorizing the Village Administrator to shred the approved records was made by Tobias and seconded by Duff. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution R3-18 was made by Newman and seconded by Smith. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to waive the three-reading rule and vote on Resolution R4-18 authorizing the Village Administrator to apply for an Ohio EPA market development grant and sign all necessary documents was made by Tobias and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution R4-18 was made by Smith and seconded by Duff. All ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding having a Food Truck Rally, sponsored by Miami Valley Music Festival, on Saturday May 12<sup>th</sup> from 11AM to 7PM... Council had several questions including residents being blocked in due to street closures, who does the cleanup, and would additional police officers be needed. Village Administrator Mike Busse and Police Chief Lee Harmon will find out more information, and Council will review at a later time.

Motion to adjourn made by Weer and seconded by Newman. All ayes.  
Meeting adjourned 8:12 PM.

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Fiscal Officer

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Mayor