

## COVINGTON VILLAGE COUNCIL

Covington Village Council met in a regular meeting on August 20, 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
	Scott Tobias
	Dawn Duff
	Judy Smith
	Bud Weer
	Lois Newman

The council packet included minutes from the 8/6/18 regular meeting, Village Administrator report, and bill packets including checks #11552-11605.

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

### **Agenda:**

Motion to approve the agenda was made by Newman and seconded by Smith. All ayes. Motion carried.

### **Visitors:**

Sam Wildow  
Kathy Miller  
Nick Church

### **Minutes**

Minutes from the 8/6/18 Council meeting will stand approved as presented.

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

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

Fort Rowdy will be held 9/1/18-9/3/18

Village Garage Sales will be held 8/30/18-9/1/18

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

**Sale of Surplus Equipment**

The 2007 Crown Victoria police car sold on Gov Deals August 17, 2018. The sale price was \$410.00. Once payment has been received, a pickup time will be scheduled.

Requesting Council waive the three-reading rule on Resolution R31-18 declaring the plastic slides and tunnels from the old playground equipment as surplus and authorize the Village Administrator to sell them as scrap on an internet auction.

**137 N. High Street Assessment**

Requesting Council waive the three-reading rule and vote to approve Ordinance 11-18 authorizing the Fiscal Officer to file an assessment with the County Auditor to recover the Village's share of the cost to tear down the structures located at 137 N. High Street, Covington, Ohio.

**High Street Design**

The design work is continuing. We hope to schedule a public meeting to review the design progress the third week of September. Brice Schmitmeyer is working on a date for this public meeting. Requesting Council approve a progress payment to Access Engineering in the amount of \$12,125.00 for High Street design.

**Sewer Plant Renovations**

Change order #2 is included in Council's packet for review and approval. This should be the final change order for the project which includes additional asphalt work, and the addition of the 277-volt transformer that was previously discussed with Council. The change order is for \$16,457.00 which, if approved, will increase the project construction total to \$1,151,430.85.

Requesting Council approve a progress payment to CH2MHill for \$6,941.49.

**Phase II Blower Replacement**

We have had a progress meeting with Mote and Associates. The blower replacement design is continuing to progress.

**Wellfield Site Maintenance**

Gunckle's Tree Service is continuing to work on this project and hopes to have the work complete within the next two weeks.

**Water Tower Maintenance**

Repainting of the large water tower interior is still underway, and should be completed by the end of the week. They had to blast a much larger area than planned because the paint adhesion to the tank was not good enough to support the additional thickness of the new paint.

### **Park Playground Equipment**

The playground equipment has been ordered and delivery is expected mid-September with anticipated build dates of September 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>. Wes Monnin will be assisting our employees with the site preparation work the week after Labor Day.

### **Road Salt**

Received word from ODOT that Morton Salt was the successful bidder for road salt. Their price is \$65.04/ton. We have contracted for 130 tons at that price.

### **Baseball Diamond Lights**

The lights have been delivered. Working with employees of the City of Piqua to schedule the installation.

### **2018 Sidewalk Program**

Included in Council's packet for review are the proposed sidewalk assessments. Requesting Council waive the three-reading rule and pass Ordinance 10-18 authorizing the Fiscal Officer to file assessments with the County Auditor for the 2018 Sidewalk Program.

### **South End Lift Station**

Requesting Council waive the three-reading rule and vote to approve Resolution R33-18 awarding the contract for the south end lift station project to Fryman-Kuck General Contractors and authorizing the Village Administrator to issue notice to proceed and sign all documents awarding the project to Fryman-Kuck. Their bid was \$180,931.00. The engineers estimate for this project was \$200,000.

### **Delinquent Taxes**

Mr. Busse will be working with Mr. Patrizio to move forward with the filing of charges for persons that failed to file Village Income Taxes in 2016 and 2017.

### **Financial Reports**

Financial reports will stand approved as presented.

### **Old Business**

Motion to approve Resolution R29-18 authorizing a special assessment levy for the purpose of paying the cost of lighting the streets in the Village of Covington, Ohio for the year 2019 was made by Warner and seconded by Newman. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution R30-18 requesting the State of Ohio Director of Transportation to modify the speed limits on High Street (this request is to reduce the legal speed between Dodd Street and Walnut Street to 25 MPH) was made by Duff and seconded by Newman. All ayes. Motion carried.

Second reading held on Ordinance 9-18 amending the trash collection rates for the Village of Covington.

Motion to waive the three-reading rule and vote on Ordinance 11-18 authorizing the Fiscal Officer to file a special assessment to recover the Village's share of the cost of tearing down the house at 137 N. High Street was made by Newman and seconded by Tobias. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Ordinance 11-18 was made by Duff and seconded by Newman. All ayes. Motion carried.

### **New Business**

Motion to approve the progress pay request for Access Engineering in the amount of \$12,125.00 for High Street Design was made by Smith and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the progress pay request for CH2MHill in the amount \$6,941.49 for the WWTP Phase 1 construction engineering was made by Tobias and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve change order #2 for the WWTP Phase 1 project in the amount of \$16,457.00 was made by Weer and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

(This change order is for the installation of a transformer and additional asphalt that was approved to complete the driveway. The total revised project cost is \$1,151,430.85.)

Motion to approve pay request #1 for Access Engineering South End Lift Station design and bidding in the amount of \$10,000.00 was made by Tobias and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

(\$2500.00 of this request was already paid but must now be submitted through this pay request for reimbursement to the Village.)

Motion to waive the three-reading rule and vote on Resolution R31-18 declaring certain playground equipment parts as scrap and authorizing the Village Administrator to conduct an internet auction to dispose of the equipment was made by Smith and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution R31-18 was made by Warner and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to waive the three-reading rule and vote on Resolution R32-18 authorizing the Village Administrator to enter into a contract with Fryman-Kuck General Contractors for the South End Pump Station Improvement project at a cost of \$180,931.00 was made by Tobias and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution R32-18 was made by Tobias and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to waive the three-reading rule and vote on Ordinance 10-18 authorizing the Fiscal Officer to file special assessments for the 2018 Sidewalk Project was made by Warner and seconded by Smith. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Ordinance 10-18 was made by Warner and seconded by Smith. Tobias, Smith, Duff, Newman, and Warner voted aye. Weer abstained. Motion carried.

Motion to waive the three-reading rule and vote to approve Ordinance 12-18 authorizing the Fiscal Officer to file an assessment with the Miami County Auditor to assess the property located at 224 College Street for past due utility bills totaling \$724.82 was made by Weer and seconded by Duff. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Ordinance 12-18 was made by Tobias and seconded by Smith. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve a conditional offer to Anthony James Hickman as a full-time probationary police officer at level 2 starting pay of \$15.97 per hour and will be contingent on a successful completion of a background check, psychological exam, and physical 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 7:30 PM.

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Fiscal Officer

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Mayor