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THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, TENNESSEE ON FEBRUARY 9, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

1. Meeting to be called to order by Mayor Justin Hanson.
2. Invocation to be given by Alderman John Edwards.
3. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag to be led by Alderwoman Johnetta Yarbrough.
4. Minutes of the Preceding Meeting to be approved.
5. Report from Committees:
 - Minutes of the General Welfare – Public Safety Committee Meeting
 - Minutes of the Public Works Committee Meeting
6. Additions to the Agenda.
7. Welcome to visitors and grievances from citizens.
8. Report from Mayor Justin Hanson:
 - Black History Month Recognition
 - Updates
9. Report from Recorder-Treasurer Tina Dunn
10. Report from City Attorney Rachel Witherington:
11. Old Business:
12. New Business:
 - Proclamation – Memorial Marker for Deputy Ricky Rose
 - Bills Over/Under \$1,000.00 ready for Board Approval.

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen met virtually on January 26, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. with the following members present: Mayor Justin Hanson, Aldermen: Danny Wallace, Chris Richardson, Johnetta Yarbrough, John Edwards, Jeff Morris, and C H Sullivan. Also present were Fire Chief Richard Griggs, Public Works Director David Gray, Personnel Director Tiny Rose, Building Official Lessie Fisher, Parks and Recreation Director Joe Mack, Police Chief Larry Lindsey, City Attorney Rachel Witherington, and Recorder-Treasurer Tina Dunn.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Justin Hanson.

Invocation was given by Alderman Jeff Morris.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Alderman Danny Wallace.

Motion was made by Alderman C H Sullivan and seconded by Alderwoman Johnetta Yarbrough that the Minutes of the Preceding Meeting be approved as distributed to the Board (See Attached).

Voting Aye: Yarbrough, Edwards, Morris, Richardson, Sullivan, Wallace
Motion passed.

Motion was made by Alderman C H Sullivan and seconded by Alderman John Edwards that the Minutes of the Finance & Administration Committee Meeting be approved (See Attached).

Voting Aye: Yarbrough, Edwards, Morris, Richardson, Sullivan, Wallace
Motion passed.

Motion was made by Alderman Jeff Morris and seconded by Alderman C H Sullivan that the Minutes of the General Welfare – Public Relations Committee Meeting be approved (See Attached).

Voting Aye: Yarbrough, Edwards, Morris, Richardson, Sullivan, Wallace
Motion passed.

Mayor Justin Hanson gave an update for Round UP Funds and Covid-19 Community Care Funds from the Bread of Life Outreach Ministries for the year ending December, 2020 (See Attached). Also, he gave an update for covid-19 cases which included 6,409 cases in which 357 are active. The Chocolate Tour will be on February 6, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Recorder-Treasurer Tina Dunn reported sales tax for collections received in January, 2021 was \$347,045 which is an increase of 12.3% bringing year to date collections to an increase of \$198,000.00 (See Attached).

Motion was made by Alderman John Edwards and seconded by Alderman C H Sullivan to approve the report from Recorder-Treasurer Tina Dunn.

Voting Aye: Yarbrough, Edwards, Morris, Richardson, Sullivan, Wallace
Motion passed.

Attorney Rachel Witherington reported the proposed changes to the Charter that were discussed in the Finance & Administration Committee Meeting were completed. Alderman Wallace inquired about the word, questions, in section 22-1 (Mayor). Verbiage will be added to include the Mayor cannot break ties on Ordinances and Resolutions.

Director Gray gave an update on the sinkhole located at the South Fire Station. He presented an estimate in the amount of \$103,500.00 for pipe busting and an estimate in the amount of \$116,670.00 for directional boring. An additional 1.5% fee will be added to these estimates for the purchase of a performance bond. He has requested an additional estimate from another contract for this repair.

Motion was made by Alderman C H Sullivan and seconded by Alderman Danny Wallace to authorize Director Gray to proceed with the repair of the sink hole project not to exceed the quote presented in the amount of 118,420.00.

Voting Aye: Yarbrough, Edwards, Morris, Richardson, Sullivan, Wallace

Motion passed.

Mayor Justin Hanson presented the Resolution to request the General Assembly pass a private act amending the Charter of the City (See Attached).

Motion was made by Alderman C H Sullivan and seconded by Alderman John Edwards to approve the Resolution to amend the charter with the proposed changes as presented including the verbiage from Alderman Wallace.

Voting Aye: Yarbrough, Edwards, Morris, Richardson, Sullivan, Wallace

Motion passed.

The following bills over/under \$1,000.00 were presented for approval:

MEAC	GAS	PURCHASED NATURAL GAS	\$ 44,268.00
SYMMETRY	GAS	PURCHASED NATURAL GAS	\$ 108,681.73
ANDERSON & ANDERSON	GENERAL	REFUND-TAX OVERPAYMENT APPEAL	\$ 1,453.00
BANCORP BUSINESS CARD	VARIOUS	MISCELLANEOUS	\$ 2,179.24
BEST WADE PETROLEUM	WWTP	MOBILGEAR	\$ 1,344.60
BFI NORTH SHELBY LANDFIL	WWTP	SLUDGE REMOVAL	\$ 3,159.78
BREAD OF LIFE	GENERAL	ROUND UP MAY - SEPT 2020	\$ 5,422.00
BRENNTAG MID SOUTH INC	WWTP	CHEMICALS	\$ 1,319.80
BRENNTAG MID SOUTH INC	WWTP	CHEMICALS	\$ 1,383.72
BRENNTAG MID SOUTH INC	WWTP	CHEMICALS	\$ 1,859.60
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CITY OF COVINGTON	VARIOUS	UTILITIES	\$ 6,676.69
CITY OF COVINGTON	VARIOUS	UTILITIES	\$ 1,090.57
COMSERV WIRELESS	POLICE	EQUIP & INSTALL LIGHTS - FORD F 150	\$ 5,482.95
COVINGTON ELECTRIC	VARIOUS	ELECTRIC	\$ 42,987.94
COVINGTON TIPTON CHAM	GAS	QUARTERLY CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 13,905.00
CUMMINS	WWTP	GENERATOR INSPECTION / FILTER REPLACE	\$ 1,060.35

DELL	FIRE	COMPUTER	\$ 2,477.30
DOCUMENT OUTPUT CTR	GENERAL	STATEMENT PROCESSING; FORMS; ETC	\$ 1,136.92
DTN, LLC	AIRPORT	WEATHER SYSTEM	\$ 3,396.00
FIDELITY SEARCH ENT	GENERAL	RANDOM DRUG TESTS	\$ 1,221.00
FIRST NET	VARIOUS	PHONE SERVICE	\$ 1,545.18
G & C SUPPLY	WATER	SDG GRANT - WORK IN PROGRESS	\$ 8,370.76
G & C SUPPLY	WATER	SDG GRANT - WORK IN PROGRESS	\$ 1,463.74
G & C SUPPLY	GAS	MATERIAL	\$ 2,560.47
G & C SUPPLY	WATER	SDG GRANT - WORK IN PROGRESS	\$ 1,463.74
G & C SUPPLY	WATER	SDG GRANT - WORK IN PROGRESS	\$ 8,370.76
KRISTIE MAXWELL-TRUST	GENERAL	MIXED DRINK TAX	\$ 1,136.85
LARRY LINDSEY	POLICE	TRAVEL	\$ 416.59
MID SOUTH SOLUTIONS	POLICE	UNIFORMS - JOHNATHAN GYLES	\$ 1,104.73
OWEN, JENKINS, ETAL	GENERAL	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	\$ 1,110.00
PAVEMENT RESTORATIONS	STREET	MATERIALS	\$ 3,184.20
POLYDYNE INC	WWTP	CHEMICALS	\$ 4,732.20
REPUBLIC SERVICES	S WASTE	CONTRACTED SERVICES	\$ 88,504.75
ROY CLAY TURNER	FIRE	WATER FOUNTAIN INSTALL - NORTH STAT	\$ 1,263.37
SIMONTONS	PARKS REC	ROOF LAY OVER - MUELLER RD - 4 FIELDS	\$ 4,450.00
STRINGFELLOW	STREET	SWEEPER SIDE BROOM ASSEMBLY	\$ 2,037.31
SULLIVANS NAT GAS SERV	GAS	ANNUAL INSPECTIONS	\$ 3,378.10
THE LEADER	VARIOUS	ADS	\$ 1,130.97
THYSSENKRUPP ELEVATOR	CIVIC CTR	MAINTENANCE	\$ 1,454.20
TIPTON CO E911	GENERAL	3RD QTR USER FEES (JAN-FEB-MAR 2021)	\$ 40,681.79
TN DEPT ENV / CONS	WTP	ANNUAL MAINTENANCE FEE	\$ 1,380.00
TRAFFIC PARTS	STREET	TRAFFIC LIGHT REPAIRS	\$ 1,500.00
TRI STATE METER/REG	GAS	MATERIAL	\$ 1,800.74
TRI STATE METER/REG	GAS	MATERIALS	\$ 1,341.86
WATERSERV CO	WTP	WATER LINE AND DRAIN REPAIR	\$ 6,285.00
WHITEHORN TANKERSLEY	VARIOUS	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	\$ 6,000.00
		TOTAL	\$ 449,033.10

Motion was made by Alderman C H Sullivan and seconded by Alderman Danny Wallace that the preceding bills over/under \$1000.00 be paid when properly approved.

Voting Aye: Yarbrough, Edwards, Morris, Richardson, Sullivan, Wallace

Motion passed.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

Attest:

Recorder-Treasurer

Mayor

The General Welfare – Public Safety Committee met virtually on January 26, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. with the following members present: Chairman Alderwoman Johnetta Yarbrough, Mayor Justin Hanson, Alderman Chris Richardson, and Alderman C H Sullivan. Also present were: Police Chief Larry Lindsey, Fire Chief Richard Griggs, Alderman Jeff Morris, Alderman Danny Wallace, Alderman John Edwards, Captain Jack Howell, Assistant Fire Chief Jeremy Channell, Public Works Director David Gray, Building Official Lessie Fisher, Assistant to the Mayor Rebecca Ray, and Recorder-Treasurer Tina Dunn.

Chairman Alderman Yarbrough called the meeting to order.

Police Chief Lindsey reported there are six law enforcement positions open. One officer was dismissed from the TLETA due to academic failure and was terminated on January 22, 2021. There is still one officer in the TLETA in week four and the other officer that was unable to attend in January was moved to the March TLETA class. Lt. Jack Howell was promoted to Captain on January 20, 2021. Sgt. Nelson was involved in a wreck with no injuries on December 26, 2020. It was determined the other driver was at fault. This vehicle will be replaced and will be funded with insurance proceeds and any additional funds will come from the budgeted line items. The stats for the November and December were presented showing 838 and 843 calls for the months. The total number calls for the year 2020 were 10,732.

Motion was made by Alderman C H Sullivan and seconded by Alderman Chris Richardson to accept the report from Police Chief Larry Lindsey.

Voting Aye: Richardson, Sullivan, Hanson, Yarbrough

Motion passed.

Fire Chief Richard Griggs reported the Sea of Blue ceremony was January 6, 2021. There were 130 volunteer hours in the month of December with a year-to-date total of 1884. The run report was presented showing 356 calls from November 19th through December 31st. There has been a total of 2,272 calls for the 2020 year. Inservice training has been scheduled. The county coverage area collections for 2021 are \$51,680.00. The ventilation system has been installed and system is operational. Tipton County Emergency Unit is no longer a resource in Tipton County. Volunteer Firefighter Terrance Smith is now a Licensed Emergency Medical Technician. The ambulance service agreement has been signed. A list of facilities was added in which the department will not have to respond unless a person is in full arrest. The care report was presented for review. Chief Griggs reported there are 24 applicants for the volunteer program.

Motion was made by Alderman C H Sullivan and seconded by Alderman Chris Richardson to accept the report from Fire Chief Richard Griggs.

Voting Aye: Richardson, Sullivan, Hanson, Yarbrough

Motion passed.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:21 p.m.

The Public Works Committee met virtually on February 2, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. with the following members present: Chairman Alderman Danny Wallace, Mayor Justin Hanson, Alderwoman Johnetta Yarbrough, and Alderman Jeff Morris. Also present were Public Works Director David Gray, Building Official Lessie Fisher, Alderman C H Sullivan, Alderman Chris Richardson, Assistant to the Mayor Rebecca Ray, Utilities Manager Calvin Johnson, Scottie Delashmit, and Recorder-Treasurer Tina Dunn.

Alderman Danny Wallace called meeting to order.

Scottie Delashmit, Fraternal Order of Police, approached the committee to request two memorial signs be placed on Hwy 51 for Deputy Ricky Rose. He requested a proclamation showing the city's support in passing legislation for the placement of two Memorial Highway Signs designating the section of Hwy 51 where Deputy Rose was shot as Deputy Richard L "Ricky" Rose Memorial Highway.

Motion was made by Alderman Jeff Morris and seconded by Alderwoman Johnetta Yarbrough to move forward with the proclamation showing support of the memorial markers for Deputy Ricky Rose.

Voting Aye: Morris, Yarbrough, Hanson, and Wallace
Motion passed.

Public Works Director David Gray reported the change in net positions for the utility funds. The Water, Sewer, and Solid Waste reported gains in net position. However, the gas fund was reported to have a loss which is the result of the industrial land purchase. A request from Smithville Traylor Park was received to have the city take over the internal water system. Director Gray reported under the city charter, the City is not allowed to take over the water system, but they will be served through a master meter. Director Gray was contacted by the Path Company requesting to have a presentation on LED Lighting.

Motion was made by Alderwoman Yarbrough and seconded by Mayor Hanson to have Director Gray contact the Path Company requesting a presentation on LED Lighting.

Voting Aye: Morris, Yarbrough, Hanson, and Wallace
Motion passed.

Motion was made by Alderman Mayor Hanson and seconded by Alderman Morris to accept the report from Public Works Director David Gray.

Voting Aye: Morris, Yarbrough, Hanson, and Wallace
Motion passed.

Building Official Lessie Fisher reported renovations are underway for Naifeh's Cash Savers. Family Dollar has received the Certificate of Occupancy and will open early February. Also, the site work has started for Jack's Family Restaurant.

Motion was made by Alderman Morris and seconded by Alderwoman Yarbrough to approve the report from Building Official Fisher.

Voting Aye: Morris, Yarbrough, Hanson, and Wallace

Motion passed.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:34 p.m.

City of Covington, Tennessee



Proclamation for Deputy Richard L "Ricky" Rose

Whereas on Wednesday, November 29, 1989, Richard L "Ricky" Rose was a Deputy Sheriff employed with the Tipton County Sheriff's Office, Covington, Tennessee, and working as a narcotics officer on this date,

Whereas Deputy Sheriff Rose was sitting inside his office located at the Tipton County Sheriff's Office located at the Tipton County Justice Center, 220 Highway 51, North, Covington, Tennessee,

Whereas as Deputy Rose was acting under the auspices of his office of deputy sheriff when he was mortally wounded by being shot in his head by a fellow deputy with the Tipton County Sheriff's Office,

Whereas the National Law Enforcement Officers' Memorial Fund has designated Deputy Sheriff Richard L "Rickey" Rose's death as an in-the-line-of-duty death and his name is inscribed on the National Law Enforcement Officers' Memorial Wall in Washington, DC,

And whereas the Tipton County Justice Center is located inside the city limits of the City of Covington, Tennessee,

Therefore, now let it be resolved that we, the Board of Aldermen and the Mayor of the city of Covington, Tennessee, proclaim that we support the efforts of Representative Debra Moody and Senator Paul Rose in passing legislation placing two Memorial Highway Signs designating the section of US Highway 51 where Deputy Rose was shot as the "Deputy Richard L "Ricky" Rose Memorial Highway".

So resolved this _____ day of _____ in the year 2021.

Signed:

2-9-2021

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