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Committee Meetings

AUGUST

Public Works Committee - August 3

Chairperson Danny Wallace, Jeff Morris, Johnetta Yarbrough

General Welfare/Public Relations Committee - August 10 Chairperson Jeff Morris, CH Sullivan, John Edwards

Finance and Administration Committee - August 17 Chairperson CH Sullivan, All Board Members

Public Safety Committee - August 24

Chairperson Johnetta Yarbrough, Chris Richardson, CH Sullivan

Committee meetings are at 4:00 pm in the Lower Level Conference Room at Covington City Hall. All Board of Mayor and Aldermen meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday evenings of each month at 5:30 pm in the Board Room on the 2nd floor at Covington City Hall. ALL are open to the public. Official meeting minutes and agendas can be found by visiting www.covingtontn.com.

City Board meetings are also live-streamed on our Website and Facebook page.



Public Safety Committee Meeting - 7/27/21

Present: Chairperson Johnetta Yarbrough, Mayor Justin Hanson, Aldermen Chris Richardson, Danny Wallace, and Jeff Morris. Chief Richard Griggs, Chief Larry Lindsey, and Recorder Treasurer Tina Dunn

Covington Police Department Report - Chief Larry Lindsey

Personnel

- One of 3 positions for certified officer has been filled
- Two uncertified officers will come on September 1st and will attend TLETA (TN Law Enforcement Training Academy)
- Officer Isbell will return to TLETA for Firearms Qualification first week of August

Promotion Process

- Four sergeant candidates have completed assessment center and written exam
- Interviews will take place this week and decision will be made 2nd week of August

Training

- Captain Howell presently attending first two weeks of Southeastern Command Leadership School
- Detective Doss will attend Criminal Investigations School in August
- Lt. McCurry and Det. Dowell will attend Homicide Conference in September
- The newly promoted sergeant will attend First Line Supervisory School in Denton, TX

Fleet

- Sgt. Templeton was side-swiped by suspect trying to flee. Approx. \$5000 in damage
- Officer L. Smith's unit was struck by dislodged trailer. Extensive damage and vehicle is total loss

Submitted Calls for Service Report Submitted Total Traffic Stops Report

Mayor Hanson inquired about total crime. Chief Lindsey stated that overall crime is down and will send report to committee Chairwoman Yarbrough asked about speeding initiative and Chief stated that it is working very well

Chief discussed success of community policing, recent Copsicle event, and upcoming National Night Out

Alderman Richardson made motion to accept report, Mayor Hanson 2nd, so moved

Covington Fire Department Report - Chief Richard Griggs

Community Events - Fire Chiefs Conference, Back to School Backpack Drive August 7th

Volunteer hours - 60 hours for the month of June

Run Report 6/17-7/23 - 231 calls. 1427 calls for 2021

County coverage area collections for 2021 \$82,765

Personnel - One elective out until possibly 8/4

Job offers extended to 3 volunteer firefighters: Terrence Smith, Kyle Ginn, Taylor Moore

Inservice/Training: Training tower from State Fire Academy in Covington for above grade firefighter training

Tipton Co. Farm Bureau presented Grain Bin Extrication Tube to the Covington Fire Department

Submitted CARE report

Air-pack flow test and Air Mask fit test were conducted and completed July 12-14

Medical Director Agreement up for renewal

Volunteer Firefighter Update: 2 volunteers and 6 applicants

Discussed July 4th and how few calls there were

Alderman Richardson made motion to accept report, Mayor Hanson 2nd, so moved

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned



COVINGTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

101 Tennessee Ave- Covington, TN 38019 - 901-476-2578





One of the public safety investments made in this year's budget was the addition of three new firefighters to the Covington Fire Department. On Monday, Mayor Hanson had the honor of administering the oaths of office to firefighters Terrence Smith, Kyle Ginn, and Taylor Moore. These three gentlemen will be on their respective shifts in approximately three weeks. We welcome you and are certainly honored to serve alongside you!



COVINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

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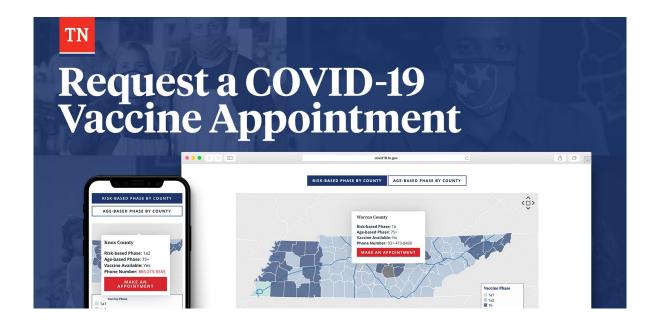




Thank you Lt. McGarity, Officers Robertson and Bean with the Covington Police Department's Community Policing Unit for putting together the Copsicle event last week. The kids loved it! Special thank you to our partners Unilever and Charms for their donations!

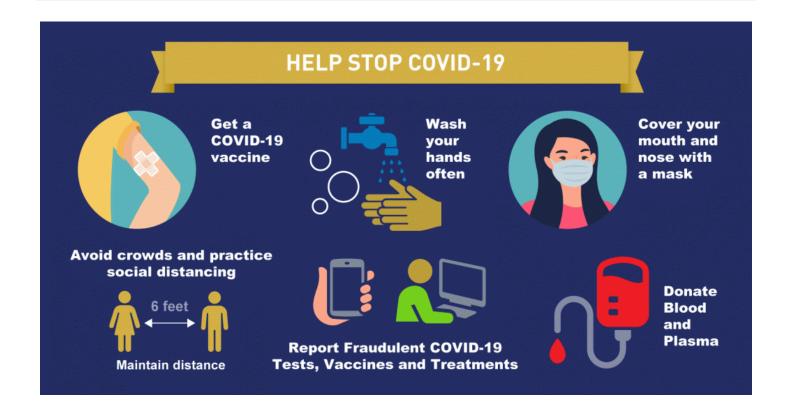
Covington Police Department Chief Larry Lindsey had the pleasure of swearing in our newest member of the department, Officer Freddie Braddic. Officer Braddic comes to the department with more than 19 years of law enforcement experience. In addition, he is heavily involved with youth programs at his church and has been a youth basketball official for many years. Please help us welcome Officer Freddie Braddic to Covington!





As Tennesseans enjoy summer activities, public health experts remind everyone, especially the unvaccinated, to remain vigilant against COVID-19. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and area health departments are carefully watching the Delta variant of COVID-19. Unfortunately, this variant, which spreads more easily, is leading to an increase in COVID-19 cases in many U.S. states and around the world.

Tipton County has seen an increase in COVID-19 cases. Please visit www.covid19.tn.gov for current active cases and available vaccination and testing sites. If you know someone who does not have access to a computer or the internet, please call The Tipton County Health Department at 866-442-5301.





- Lauderdale

Interested vendors should registered here:

virtual-fair













WEARE HIRING

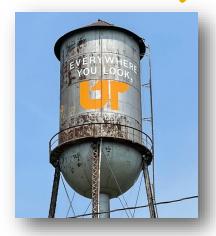
Openings:

- Production Team Members
- Warehouse Team Members
- Manufacturing Engineer

Apply online at careers.welbilt.com or by following the **QR Code** below:



and now for some GOOD NEWS



The Covington skyline got a new addition this week with the Everywhere You Look, UT mural painted on the water tower in the Covington Depot District.

The University of Tennessee System is on a mission to paint the state orange and ours is the 19th mural added across the state! It is also the tallest mural to date, standing at 125 feet!



TENNESSEE COLLEGE OF APPLIED TECHNOLOGY





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The Digital Agronomy program at the Tennessee College of Applied Technology Covington (TCAT Covington) is an exciting program introducing students to cutting-edge technology and the latest advancements available in the agricultural industry. TCAT Covington offers the Digital Agronomy program to both traditional and non-traditional students, providing an opportunity to learn about an exciting field while gaining marketable skills. The program's curriculum is provided in a 12-month format and includes theory with both hands-on and experiential learning opportunities. The Digital Agronomy program opens opportunities for students to a world in which they may have never had the opportunity to experience. At the end of each trimester, students may qualify for employment opportunities in a wide range of agriculture-related positions.



Special thanks to the Stubblefield family for helping some sweet kiddos set up a lemonade stand to give some relief from the summer heat! Small town living at its finest!







Tuesday, August 3rd

2021 Fall Baseball, Softball,&



Soccer SIGN UP TODAY!









Season will start after Labor Day and run until mid/late October

Ages 4-12

\$55

COACHES NEEDED FOR ALL SPORTS!!

Come by the Covington Sportsplex or call 901-476-3734 for more information









Tipton County Health Department joined with Mayor Hanson, the Tipton County Sheriff's Office, and other community leaders to raise awareness

to human trafficking. The Red Sand Project is a movement to help create opportunities for people to question, connect and take action against vulnerabilities that can lead to human trafficking and exploitation. The red sand is poured into the cracks of the pavement to represent the survivors who "slip through the cracks". If you suspect someone may be a victim of human trafficking call the Tennessee Human Trafficking Hotline at 1-855-55-TNHTH or the Tipton County Sheriff's Office at (901) 475-3300. You may also visit https://www.tn.gov/.../crime-issues/human-trafficking.html for more information



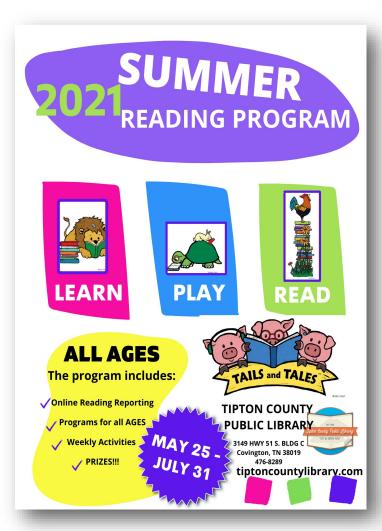


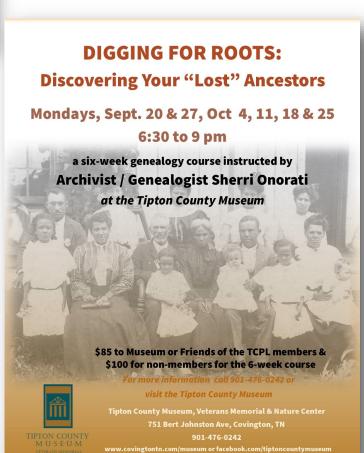


Congratulations to Dontavius Goodwyn and Lamar McCarley on being presented \$50 Gas Cards from Canaan Family Resource Center at the American Job Center Hiring Event at Brighton Elementary School. The two recipients attended the Job Fair on 7/28/21 and they are entertaining job offers from several employers!

18 companies were represented and approximately 200 job seekers attended! It was a great event!

American Job Center

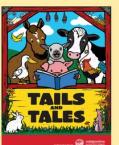




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May 25 -July 31st

> Ages 0-100

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