

Covington – Living, Learning, Working Together Newsletter - January 22, 2021

Mayor Justin Hanson



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Public Works Committee Chairperson Danny Wallace, Jeff Morris, Johnetta Yarbrough

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

Finance and Administration Committee Chairperson CH Sullivan, All Board Members

Public Safety Committee Chairperson Johnetta Yarbrough, Chris Richardson, CH Sullivan

Official meeting minutes and agendas can be found by visiting <u>www.covingtontn.com</u>.

Finance and Administration Committee Meeting - 1/19/21

Present via Virtual Meeting - Chairman CH Sullivan, Aldermen Jeff Morris, John Edwards, Danny Wallace, Chris Richardson, Alderwoman Johnetta Yarbrough, and Mayor Justin Hanson. Directors David Gray, Lessie Fisher, Tina Dunn, Richard Griggs, Tiny Rose, Joseph Mack. Attorney Rachel Witherington, Ronnie Neill (MTAS), Rebecca Ray, Echo Day, Margaret Fleming, Kathryn McGowan.

Discussion on Sale of City Property - N. Main St., CPD Building, Jaycee Building

- Offer submitted by Ms. Kathy Wright of \$2000 for N. Main property, but would like to see building first. No further offer from Mr. Kelvyn Thomas
- Alderman Edwards suggested we publish this for sale, Attorney Witherington suggested sealed bid process
- Motion made to publish in The Leader, advertise for 2 weeks, open bids 2/18/21, 2nd to motion, roll call, so moved
- Covington Realty, Kathryn McGowan would like to list old CPD building for \$319,000. That is \$35 per square foot, comparable to print shop across street.
- Motion made to move forward with contract proposal, 2nd, roll call, so moved
- Chairman Sullivan to reach out to remaining members of Cobb Parr Park Association to deed Jaycees building to City
- Motion made to allow Chairman to approach park board, 2nd, discussion, roll call, so moved

Update on Sink Hole at South Fire Station

- Site visit Wednesday or Thursday this week
- Still no cost figures but will have estimates before next Board meeting

Charter Revision

- Lengthy discussion on what revisions should remain in Charter
- Motion made to send proposed changes to General Assembly without changes to size of quorum, amount of readings needed, and ability of the Mayor to cast a vote, 2nd, discussion,
 - Attorney Witherington will add sentence regarding hiring and firing of Department Heads
 - Mayor Hanson stated that he wanted to make clear these changes were not his proposal and explained circumstances that brought these changes up.
 - Motion having been made, roll call, Alderwoman Yarbrough abstains, all other votes ayes, so moved

Parks and Recreation Proposal for Park System Repairs

- Director Mack gave similar proposal that he submitted during Parks and Recreation Committee meeting on 1/10/21
- Attorney Witherington asked that breakdown of repair costs be submitted, Director Mack agreed
- Director Mack is requesting \$130,000 from additional sales tax revenue, includes sale of City properties
- Alderman Morris suggested we see what the sale of City properties brings before this committee decides
- Motion made to table this discussion until next month's meeting, 2nd, discussion, roll call, so moved

All regularly scheduled committee meetings are at 4:00 pm in the Lower Level Conference Room at Covington City Hall at 200 W. Washington St. 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 <u>www.covingtontn.com</u>.

Please note: Due to COVID-19, all public meetings are being held virtually. If you would like the link to join virtually, please email <u>rray@covingtontn.com</u>. City Board meetings are also live-streamed on our <u>Website</u> and <u>Facebook page</u>.

COVID-19 VACCINATION UPDATE

You can now follow a simple, three-step process to learn when you're eligible for the COVID-19 vaccination and also register for a vaccination appointment:

Find Your Phase

Find out what phase of the vaccination plan you're in by visiting https://covid19.tn.gov/covid-19-vaccines/eligibility/.

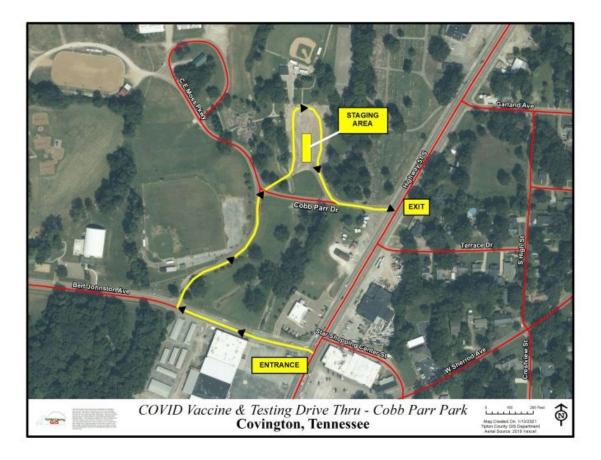
Find the Phase Your County is Vaccinating

To learn what phase your county is vaccinating, visit https://covid19.tn.gov/covid-19-vaccines/vaccine-phases/.

Register for a Vaccination Appointment

If you are in a phase currently being vaccinated in your county, you can register online at https://covid19.tn.gov/covid-19-vaccines/vaccine-phases/ for an appointment time to receive a vaccination through the health department. Click your county on the map and then click "Make an Appointment" to register. When you register, you will be asked to enter your name and contact information to be notified of your appointment date, time, and location as soon as the vaccine becomes available.

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.**







www.VolunteerFireTN.org 1-844-Vol-Tenn (1-844-865-8366)





HOMESCHOOL/DISTANCE LEARNING MWF **EXERCISE CLASS SCHEDULE** 901-476-3734 **F** 11:30 AM **WINTER 2021** 12:30 PM Exercise Let's Swim Fun & Games At the Sportsplex **Aquatic Center** Classes In the Gym 790 Bert Johnston Ave 790 Bert Johnston Ave 750 Bert Johnston Ave. Cornhole Jan. 22nd Swimmint Line Dancing Jan. 29th Jan. 25th Jan. 27th Feb. 3rd Feb. 5th Feb. 1st Feb. 12th Feb. 8th Feb. 10th Feb. 19th Feb. 15th Feb. 17th eXcelerate Feb. 22nd Feb. 24th Feb. 26th March 1st March 3rd March 5th March 8th March 10th March 12th Basketball Swith 1000 March 19th March 15th March 17th March 26th March 22nd March 24th March 29th March 31st April 9th April 5th April 7th April 9th Pound Racquetball Swimming April 16th April 12th April 14th April 19th April 21st April 23rd Zumba April 26th April 28th April 30th

May 5th

May 7th

May 3rd

2021 SPRING SPORTS **BASEBALL, SOFTBALL, & SOCCER** We understand during these difficult economic times every little bit helps. We are REDUCING our sign up fees!



Try on Uniforms February 6, 13, &20





We have some exciting news to share regarding our local sales tax figures! The local option sales tax numbers are in for the month of November 2020, and for the City of Covington they are UP 11.9% or \$39,966! Year-to-date sales are UP 12.8% or \$198,611!

These numbers are directly related to YOU shopping locally and supporting Covington businesses. Please continue to safely shop locally! We'll be looking for you!



Stay fire-safe when you travel.

Choose a hotel protected by both smoke alarms and fire sprinklers.





COVINGTON CIVIC CENTER

Stay up to date on upcoming events at the Civic Center!

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Call 901-475-1261 or 901-475-4300

In an emergency dial 9-1-1

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