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THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, TENNESSEE ON NOVEMBER 10, 2020 AT 5:30 P.M.

1. Meeting to be called to order by Mayor Justin Hanson.
2. Invocation to be given by Alderman Danny Wallace.
3. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag to be led by Alderman C H Sullivan.
4. Minutes of the Preceding Meeting to be approved.
5. Report from Committees:
 - Minutes of the Beer Board Meeting
 - Minutes of the Covington Municipal – Regional Planning Commission Meeting
 - 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:
 - Updates
9. Report from Recorder-Treasurer Tina Dunn:
10. Report from City Attorney Rachel Witherington:
11. Old Business:
12. New Business:
 - Ordinance 1736 (IDB Property Rezoning) ready for approval on first reading
 - Bills Over/Under \$1,000.00 ready for Board Approval

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen met virtually at City of Covington on October 27, 2020 at 5:34 p.m. with the following members present: Mayor Justin Hanson, Aldermen: Danny Wallace, Johnetta Yarbrough, Jeff Morris, C H Sullivan, and Keith Phelps. Also present were Fire Chief Richard Griggs, Assistant Fire Chief Jeremy Channell, Police Chief Larry Lindsey, Public Works Director David Gray, Personnel Director Tiny Rose, Building Official Lessie Fisher, Bryan Drayne, and Recorder-Treasurer Tina Dunn.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Justin Hanson.

Invocation was given by Alderman C H Sullivan.

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: Sullivan, Morris, Yarbrough, Phelps, Wallace

Motion passed.

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

Voting Aye: Sullivan, Morris, Yarbrough, Phelps, Wallace

Motion passed.

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

Voting Aye: Sullivan, Morris, Yarbrough, Phelps, Wallace

Motion passed.

Building Official Lessie Fisher began discussion on the rezoning request for 705 Hill Street from Bryan Drayne. The rezoning request was denied by the Planning Commission on October 7, 2020. The request was to rezone the property from R3 to R2. The property was vacant for more than 30 months; therefore, they would need to meet the new zoning requirements. Mr. Drayne reported he was denied a renovation permit. He would like to move forward with the renovation and requested the Board's approval for this rezoning request. He would bring the property up to code and provide better living conditions.

Motion was made by Alderman C H Sullivan and seconded by Alderman Johnetta Yarbrough to study the rezoning request material and refer discussion to the November Finance & Administration Committee meeting.

Voting Aye: Sullivan, Morris, Yarbrough, Phelps, Wallace

Motion passed.

Mayor Justin Hanson made the recommendation to have Louise McBride and Annette Johnson serve on the Planning Commission.

Motion was made by Alderman Sullivan and seconded by Alderman Morris to approve the recommendation for Louise McBride and Annette Johnson to serve on the Planning Commission.

Voting Aye: Sullivan, Morris, Yarbrough, Phelps, Wallace
Motion Passed.

Mayor Justin Hanson made the recommendation to have Louise McBride serve on the Historic Zoning Commission.

Motion was made by Alderman Sullivan and seconded by Alderwoman Yarbrough to approve the recommendation for Louise McBride to serve on the Historic Zoning Commission.

Voting Aye: Sullivan, Morris, Yarbrough, Phelps, Wallace
Motion passed.

Mayor Justin Hanson presented the request for the Covington Christmas Parade on December 14, 2020 (See Attached).

Motion was made by Alderman Sullivan and seconded by Alderman Morris to approve the Request for the Covington Christmas Parade.

Voting Aye: Sullivan, Morris, Yarbrough, Phelps, Wallace
Motion passed.

Mayor Justin Hanson presented the request from The Covington High School Ace Club for a donation to help with the expenses for the State Tournament in Murfreesboro, TN (See Attached).

Motion was made by Alderman Sullivan and seconded by Alderwoman Yarbrough to approve the standard donation of \$250.00 for the CHS Ace Club.

Voting Aye: Sullivan, Morris, Yarbrough, Phelps, Wallace
Motion passed.

Mayor Justin Hanson reported Governor Lee approved the extension of the use of virtual meetings until December 27, 2020.

Motion was made by Alderman Danny Wallace to begin meeting in person, socially distance, and wear a mask. There being no second, the motion failed.

Motion was made by Alderman Danny Wallace and seconded by Alderman Jeff Morris to resume meetings in Board Room, socially distance, virtual meetings allowed, limited visitors, and the requirement of masks beginning on November 3, 2020.

Voting Aye: Sullivan, Morris, Yarbrough, Phelps, Wallace
Motion passed.

Recorder-Treasurer Tina Dunn reported sales tax collections for the month of August were \$343,254.00 which is an increase of 7.9% (See Attached).

Motion was made by Alderman C H Sullivan and seconded by Alderman Jeff Morris to approve the report from Recorder-Treasurer Tina Dunn.
 Voting Aye: Sullivan, Morris, Yarbrough, Phelps, Wallace
 Motion passed.

Public Hearing for Ordinance 1733 (Fireworks) for third and final reading was called to order. There being no public comments, the public hearing was closed (See Attached).

Motion was made by Alderman C H Sullivan and seconded by Alderman Keith Phelps to approve Ordinance 1733 (Fireworks) on third and final reading.
 Voting Aye: Sullivan, Morris, Yarbrough, Phelps, Wallace
 Motion passed.

Public Hearing for Ordinance 1735 (Fire Sick Leve) for third and final reading was called to order. There being no public comments, the public hearing was closed (See Attached).

Motion was made by Alderman C H Sullivan and seconded by Alderman Keith Phelps to approve Ordinance 1735 (Fire Sick Leave) on third and final reading.
 Voting Aye: Sullivan, Morris, Yarbrough, Phelps, Wallace
 Motion passed.

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

ALL TRAFFIC SOLUTIONS	POLICE	SPECIAL ALERT MESSAGE SIGN / TRAILER	\$ 26,804.00
BFI NORTH SHELBY LANDFILL	WWTP	SLUDGE DISPOSAL	\$ 2,904.33
BOB AUSTILL	STREET	REPAIRS	\$ 2,898.00
BRENNTAG MID SOUTH INC	WWTP	CHEMICALS	\$ 1,319.80
CITY OF COVINGTON	VARIOUS	WATER, SEWER GAS, SANITATION	\$ 4,296.46
COMMUNITY DEV PARTNERS	WATER	2020 SITE DEVELOPMENT GRANT	\$ 2,000.00
COVINGTON ELECTRIC	VARIOUS	ELECTRIC	\$ 2,373.45
COVINGTON ELECTRIC	VARIOUS	ELECTRIC	\$ 4,586.20
DEANDRE MCBEE	POLICE	1ST YR CERTIFIED OFFICER BONUS	\$ 1,000.00
DELL MARKETING L.P.	POLICE	SERVER/MONITOR/KEYBOARD/MOUSE	\$ 4,037.98
EVANS PETREE	GENERAL	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	\$ 1,378.00
FIDELITY SEARCH ENTERPRISES	GENERAL	DRUG SCREENS	\$ 1,110.00
FIRST NET	POLICE	PHONE SERVICE	\$ 2,356.33
FORD CREDIT	GENERAL	LEASE PMT-FORD POLICE INTERCEPTOR	8,117.72
G & C SUPPLY	GAS	MATERIALS	\$ 1,036.00
G & C SUPPLY	SEWER	MATERIALS	\$ 1,350.00
G & C SUPPLY	WATER	MATERIALS	\$ 3,377.12
G & W DIESEL	FIRE	BRAKE / COOLANT LEAK REPAIR	\$ 7,822.35
ITRON	GAS	HARDWARE/SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE	\$ 1,106.23
JOHNATHAN GYLES	POLICE	1ST YR CERTIFIED OFFICER BONUS	\$ 1,000.00
JONITHA DENNIS	POLICE	1ST YR CERTIFIED OFFICER BONUS	\$ 1,000.00

LARRY LINDSEY	POLICE	TRAVEL-TACP CONF/TRAINING	\$ 871.76
MAXWELL PAINTING/MNTNCE	POLICE	OFFICE @ 300 CHURCH	\$ 9,800.00
MEAC	GAS	PURCHASED NATURAL GAS	\$ 37,980.00
OWEN JENKINS, ETC.....	GENERAL	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	\$ 4,477.50
PARK N POOL	POOL	TABLES/CHAIRS/BENCHES/	\$ 6,564.70
PITNEY BOWES	GENERAL	POSTAGE	\$ 1,005.00
POWER DMS	POLICW	POWER DMS PRO LICENSE/TRAINING	\$ 1,363.49
REBEL EQUIP CO	GAS	PARTS/SHIPPING - 1420 DITCH WITCH	\$ 1,218.60
REPUBLIC SERVICES	SANITATION	CONTRACTED SERVICES	\$ 89,122.58
RONALD FRANKS CONST CO	WWTP	GEAR BOX REPAIR	\$ 23,332.38
SANFORD GEARY ELEC	STREET	BUILD SERVICE	\$ 1,268.00
SHELBY ELEC CO	STREET	REPLACE PELCO BASE/HWY 51-OLD BRIGH	\$ 1,345.00
SOUTHWEST EMC	VARIOUS	ELECTRIC	\$ 1,597.93
STRUCTURAL TECHNOLOGY	FIRE	ANNUAL TESTING	\$ 1,120.65
SULLIVAN'S NAT GAS	GAS	REPAIR	\$ 7,200.00
SYMMETRY	GAS	PURCHASED NATURAL GAS	\$ 69,809.57
TARGET SOLUTIONS	FIRE	MEMBERSHIP / MAINTENANCE FEE	\$ 3,414.00
TIPTON COUNTY E911	POLICE	2ND QUARTER DUES	\$ 40,681.79
TITAN AVIATON FUEL	AIRPORT	FUEL - 5,000 GALLONS	\$ 7,522.98
TRI STATE METER	GAS	METERS	\$ 5,495.50
US BANK EQUIP FINANCE	PARKS / REC	CONTRACT PAYMENT	\$ 1,348.46
WATERSERV CO	WWTP	OPERATION-AERATOR @ #2 OXI DITCH	\$ 1,952.80
WINDOW WARE INC	CODES	SUPPORT CONTRACT RENEWAL	\$ 1,100.00
		TOTAL	401,466.66

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

Voting Aye: Sullivan, Morris, Yarbrough, Phelps, Wallace

Motion passed.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

Attest: _____

Recorder-Treasurer

Mayor

The Beer Board of the City of Covington, Tennessee met virtually at City Hall on October 27, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. with the following members present: Mayor Justin Hanson
Aldermen: Danny Wallace, Keith Phelps, Johnetta Yarbrough, C H Sullivan, and Jeff Morris.
Also present were Public Works Director David Gray, Building Official Lessie Fisher, Fire Chief Richard Griggs, Personnel Director Tiny Rose, Police Chief Larry Lindsey, Utilities Manager Calvin Johnson, Assistant Fire Chief Jeremy Channel, Jose Flores, and Recorder-Treasurer Tina Dunn.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Justin Hanson.

Public Hearing on Beer Permit for Jose Luis Flores, dba Jose's Mexican Street Taco, Inc., located at 112 Court Square East, for Class 1, On Premise Consumption was called to order.

Motion was made by Alderman Sullivan and seconded by Alderman Wallace that the Beer Permit is granted to Jose Luis Flores, dba Jose's Mexican Street Taco, Inc., located at 112 Court Square East, for Class 1, On Premise Consumption .

Voting Aye: Yarbrough, Morris, Phelps, Wallace, and Sullivan

Motion passed.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:33 p.m.

The Covington Municipal – Regional Planning Commission met virtually on October 6, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. with the following members present: Vice-Chairman Joe Auger, Commissioners: Sue Rose, Alice Fisher, Sammy Beasley, Danny Wallace, Sara Carter. Also present were Code Compliance/Building Official Lessie Fisher, Planner Will Radford, Code Compliance Technician Phyllis Mayfield, Bryan Drayne, and Ryan Tucker.

Meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman Joe Auger.

Motion was made by Alice Fisher and seconded by Sue Rose that the minutes of the preceding meetings on July 7, 2020 and July 21, 2020 be approved with one correction. On the July 7, 2020 minutes the addition of, "Motion Passed" after Motion was made by Joe Auger and seconded by Sammy Beasley to table until August meeting.

Voting Aye: Fisher, Rose, Wallace, Beasley, Carter, Auger.

Motion passed.

There was no Planning Commission meeting held in August.

Request for rezoning the parcel in R-2 to R-3 was presented by Bryan Drayne and Ryan Tucker in order to renovate an existing multi-family dwelling located at 705 Hill Avenue.

Planner Will Radford presented his recommendation for denial of the rezoning request. Mr. Radford referenced the Land Use and Transportation Plan map and policies. While the area is designated "High Density Residential" on the Development Plan Map, other policies in the Land Use and Transportation Plan factor more heavily against the rezoning request. Hill Avenue has served as a clear district boundary in recent history between the two residential districts. The Land Use Plan in 2010 stated that demand for High Density Residential was currently met.

Motion was made by Danny Wallace and seconded by Sammy Beasley to approve the rezoning request. There was significant discussion.

Vice-Chair Auger called the vote as, Voting Aye: Wallace, Beasley. Voting Nay: Fisher, Carter, Rose.

Motion failed.

Mr. Bryan Drayne was informed he may submit his request for rezoning directly to the Board of Mayor and Alderman. Planner Radford made note that a majority vote would be required for the approval of the rezoning.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

The General Welfare – Public Safety Committee met virtually on October 27, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. with the following members present: Chairman Alderman Keith Phelps, Mayor Justin Hanson, Alderwoman Johnetta Yarbrough, and Alderman C H Sullivan. Also present were: Police Chief Larry Lindsey, Fire Chief Richard Griggs, Alderman Jeff Morris, Alderman Danny Wallace, Public Works Director David Gray, Building Official Lessie Fisher, Assistant to the Mayor Rebecca Ray, and Recorder-Treasurer Tina Dunn.

Chairman Alderman Phelps called the meeting to order.

Fire Chief Richard Griggs reported fire prevention material was distributed to all schools in our area during Fire Prevention Week. This year's fire prevention message was delivered in a classroom setting by the teachers and followed up with a parade that included Sparky the Fire Dog. There were 125 volunteer hours in the month of September. The run report was presented showing 247 calls from September 17th to October 22nd. There have been a total of 1731 calls for the year. The county coverage area collections are \$79,795.00. The National EMS Test prep will be held at the CFD on October 27th and October 29th. The assessment for the vacant Lieutenant's position will be conducted on November 5th. The driver position is open until Friday, October 23, 2020. There were six applicants who applied for the vacant firefighter position. Quotes were presented for the ventilation system. There is a sole source letter for the purchase of the MagneGrip System. The CFD was awarded the Forestry Grant. This grant will be used to purchase fire rated jumpsuits, gloves, and wildlife tools. The care report was presented for review.

Motion was made by C H Sullivan and seconded by Alderwoman Yarbrough to accept the proposal from MagneGrip for the ventilation system.

Voting Aye: Sullivan, Yarbrough, Phelps, Hanson

Motion passed.

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

Voting Aye: Sullivan, Yarbrough, Phelps, Hanson

Motion passed.

Police Chief Lindsey gave an updated on the building grant. The grant is awaiting approval from FEMA and the amount is being finalized that will be available. Chief Lindsey reported seven officers have been hired of which three are certified. The non-certified officers are scheduled to begin the Memphis Police Academy on January 3, 2021. The stats for the month was presented showing 886 calls for the month. The flock camera system went active last week.

Motion was made by Alderman Sullivan and seconded by Alderwoman Yarbrough to accept the report from Police Chief Larry Lindsey.

Voting Aye: Sullivan, Yarbrough, Phelps, Hanson

Motion passed.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:28 p.m.

The Public Works Committee met virtually on November 3, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. with the following members present: Chairman Alderman Jeff Morris, Mayor Justin Hanson, and Alderman Danny Wallace. Also present were Public Works Director David Gray, Building Official Lessie Fisher, Utilities Manager Calvin Johnson, Assistant to the Mayor Rebecca Ray, and Recorder-Treasurer Tina Dunn.

Alderman Jeff Morris called the meeting to order.

Public Works Director David Gray gave an update on street lighting. The cost to install new led lights and replacing existing non-led lights was presented. Future street lighting will be LED Fixtures owned by the City at a cost of \$228.00 per fixture. The installation for an additional new streetlight will be \$156.00. This will be a savings of \$11.35 monthly per fixture . The city has purchased 25 led lights to start the transition process. Director Gray reported the USDA Loan application is in process. He presented to the committee the preliminary engineering feasibility report which is a requirement of USDA. The cost estimates for the milling and pavement of the streets were presented. The estimated total cost is \$1,350,650.00. An update on the AMI System was given with a projected completion date of February, 2021. At the present time, the project is approximately 38% complete. An update on the biomass gasifier plant was given. Volunteer Environmental Services has submitted a plan of action that will be presented to TDEC for their approval on November 12, 2020. Once approved .a temporary permit will be issued to test new feed stock. Fall street pavement has been completed. The striping of these streets will begin soon.

Motion was made by Mayor Justin Hanson and seconded by Alderman Danny Wallace to approve the report from Public Works Director David Gray.
Motion passed.

Building Official Lessie Fisher reported the Code Compliance Department is mailing out notices in reference to roll out regulations. The department is also working on the charter/code codification. The updates for the charter will be presented at the Finance & Administration Committee Meeting in November, 2020.

Motion was made by Alderman Jeff Morris and seconded by Mayor Justin Hanson to accept the report from Building Official Lessie Fisher.
Motion passed.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:17 p.m.

ORDINANCE 1736

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE COVINGTON MUNICIPAL ZONING MAP TO REZONE PROPERTY ON U.S. HIGHWAY 51 NORTH (THE CITY OF COVINGTON INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD PROPERTY) FROM B-2 (HIGHWAY ORIENTED BUSINESS) DISTRICT TO M-1 (INDUSTRIAL PARK) DISTRICT

- WHEREAS, pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated Sections 13-7-201 and 13-7-202 a zoning ordinance and map have been adopted for the City of Covington; and,
- WHEREAS, the Covington Municipal-Regional Planning Commission has recommended that the following property be reclassified from its current zoning designation to the proposed zoning designation and,
- WHEREAS, a public hearing was held before Covington Board of Mayor and Aldermen pursuant to section 13-7-203, Tennessee Code Annotated, the time and place of which was published with fifteen days advance notice; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON:

SECTION 1. That the following described property be rezoned from B-2 (Highway Commercial) District to M-1 (Industrial Park) District:

Parcel 17.03 on Tipton County Tax Map 018.

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage after third and final reading, THE PUBLIC WELFARE REQUIRING IT.

Passed First Reading

Mayor

Passed Second Reading

City Recorder

Passed Third Reading

