

Covington City Council  
329 Washington Street  
Covington IN 47932  
6:00 p.m.

October 7, 2024

Present: Mayor Crain, Councilmembers: Copenhaver, Smith, Randles, Attorney Powell.

Absent: Councilmembers Easter, Martin

Present from the public: Carol Owens, Marlea Crain, Margo Lewis, Nancy Wallace, Jerry Martin, Ben Dispennett,

Minutes from Council meeting & Board of Works September 3, 2024, Budget Hearing September 9, 2024, Board of Works September 16, 2024, Budget Adoption September 23, 2024, Covington Redevelopment Commission meeting September 23, 2024 were approved.

Mayor Crain introduced Ordinance 2024-11 for approval Councilmember Copenhaver made the motion Councilmember Smith 2<sup>nd</sup> Motion carried 3-0.

Supt. KC Smith stated the street department has started up the leaf vac and are waiting to hear from Roger Herzog to rent a tractor as they did last year to pull the other leaf machine. Monday November 4<sup>th</sup> Hydrant Flushing all over town.

Supt. Myers stated the blowers were started up today and all is going well at the waste water treatment plant with the update.

Police Chief Foster set Trick or Treat hours October 31<sup>st</sup> 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

Fire Chief Kagels reported State Farm is awarding grants to local Fire departments and Covington will be awarded \$10,000.00 Chief Kagels would like to purchase 3 sets of turn out gear for the department. Bart Crowder handed out booklets on MABAS system that will help out on mutual aid with IN and IL fire departments. The fire department would like the City Council to let them join this program. Bart stated the program would cost around \$300.00 per year for dues. Councilmember Copenhaver and Councilmember Smith had several questions

and Bart and Garth answered the questions after a discussion. Councilmember Smith feels the Fire Department should go ahead and get more information and bring to the next council meeting on October 21, 2024 or November 4, 2024.

This week is fire prevention week and the Fire Department is distributing smoke alarms that will be installed by the fire department and they are available all year just not the month of October. The Ham and Bean dinner will be October 26, 2024 at the Fire Station from 4:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

Council member Smith asked about pressure checking on the Fire hydrants Garth will get with KC Smith and try to work a time out.

Mayor Crain introduced Ben Dispennett who serves on the Warren County Council and is with HWC Engineering company Mayor Crain has been talking with him about doing the Community Crossings Grant and an ADA Compliance plan that the City needs to have in place to receive the Community Crossings Grant.

Council:

Councilmember Randles asked about the stop signs at Sunset, Railroad, and 9<sup>th</sup> Street. Councilmember Randles feels we should do a trial on Sunset being 1 way with no exit on Sunset you can only exit off Orchard Drive. Councilmember Copenhaver had several questions about this issue and Chief Foster answered several questions. Councilmember Randles will talk to the residents in the area that will be affected. No decision was made on the 1 way.

Next Council meeting will be Monday October 21, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned



Mayor



Clerk-Treasurer

Board of Works

Present: Mayor Crain, Councilmember Randles

Absent: Councilmember Easter

Mayor Crain made the motion to pay all claims Councilmember Randles 2<sup>nd</sup> Motion carried 2-0.

Councilmember Randles made the motion to transfer \$40,000.00 from water operating to water depreciation to purchase water meters from Utility Supply Company Mayor Crain 2<sup>nd</sup> Motion carried 2-0.

Meeting Adjourned



Mayor



Clerk-Treasurer