

**Village of Covington Ohio
Record of Proceedings
Covington Village Council Meeting
November 23, 2009**

Covington Village Council met in regular session on Monday, November 23, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Covington Government Center with the following members present: Marc Basye, Scott Tobias, Doris Beeman, Dick Rice, Edward L. McCord and Ann Bell. Mayor Donna Kay Dewey presided at the meeting. Lenee Brosch Attorney, from the law firm of Shipman, Dixon & Livingston was also present.

Pledge of Allegiance was given to the flag.

Betsey Hart and Tina Finrock were present requesting Council's permission to have a 5K run on August 21, 2010 in remembrance of Jerry Fessler and Paul Finrock. They have received permission from the school to have the start of the run at the high school and stated they would like to keep in on local streets. They are requesting police support and do not park signs to be placed on the route. They will lay out the actual route and return to Council.

McCord asked about school activities on that designated day

Hart said they have checked with high school; there is a football scrimmage the night before and they will miss cross country, etc. by having the 5K run on August 21st.

They will return to Council after they have the route.

Motion was made by McCord and seconded by Beeman the minutes of November 9, 16 and 19 be approved as written. Roll call: all ayes.

Fund balances were reviewed. Motion was made by Rice and seconded by Beeman for payment of bills. Roll call: all ayes.

Thank you note was read from the Betty L. Thompson family for the angel and support during her passing.

Walnut Street Phase I project: Waiting to hear from EPA about water/sewer lines in order to give OPWC a project schedule for the work.

Motion was made by McCord and seconded by Tobias to renew contract with Shipman, Dixon & Livingston for the 2010 calendar year at the rate of \$575 per month. Roll call: all ayes.

McCord informed Council he had talked with Manning & Associates to complete the 2008 books. They can't do the 2009. Cost would be \$45.00 for 100 additional hours; however, they felt work could be completed in less than 100 hours. They bill for numbers of hours they use.

Motion was made by McCord and seconded by Rice for Manning & Associates to complete the 2008 books at the rate of \$45.00 with maximum of 100 hours. Roll call: All ayes.

Rice asked the salary ordinance be tabled at this time.

Police & Fire Committee met at 6:00 tonight prior to Council meeting.

Basye, Chairman, reported appointment of auxiliary officers will remain as is.

Following items are requested to be declared surplus: 3 Panasonic laptops, 2 Nikon N80 30 millimeter cameras, 1 generator and 22 recovered bicycles.

There are also some lost/found car keys that can be disposed of.

Motion was made by Basye and seconded by Beeman to declare lap top computers, generator and camera as surplus property for sale on govdeals. Roll call: all ayes.

Bicycles may be used by COA for children at Christmas.

Police Chief Lee Harmon has already advertised items.

Basye informed Council Chief Harmon has received a donation for the vests in the amount of \$4,900.00 from Covington Community Chest. Motion was made by Basye and seconded by Beeman to accept the donation. Roll call: all ayes.

Motion was made by Basye and seconded by Beeman for Chief Harmon to purchase eight five-year vests; five for full-time officers and three for auxiliary officers at the cost of \$4,900.00. Roll call: all ayes.

Motion was made by Basye and seconded by Bell to promote Officer Phil Osting to Ptl. 1, Step 1 at the recommendation of Chief Harmon. Roll call: all ayes.

Motion was made by Basye and seconded by Beeman to promote Officer Walters to Ptl. 1, Step 2 at the recommendation of Chief Harmon. Roll call: all ayes.

Street Committee will meet after the Council tonight.

Ordinance Committee will meet on Monday, November 30th at 6:00 p.m.

Finance Committee will meet on December 7th and December 9th at 6:00 p.m.

Police Chief Lee Harmon had no report.

Fire Chief Bill Westfall reported Jeremy Yingst and Matt McCord have both passed rookie fire training.

Bob Kendig, Street Superintendent, reported Miami County Engineer's office inspects the two river bridges. He inspects the small bridges; this has been done and all have passed visual inspection.

Bud Weer, BPA representative for tonight's Council meeting, reported everything is on schedule; list of addresses are being sent to Ron Puthoff for income survey.

Tobias asked the Water Main approval be placed on next meeting's agenda.

Christmas Open House is this weekend throughout many of the retail stores.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 with motion by Bell and seconded by Beeman.