

# COVINGTON VILLAGE COUNCIL

## MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 3, 2025

Mayor Lee Harmon called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The following roll call was taken for council:

### **Council Members Present:**

- Amy Welborn
- Julie Blumenstock
- Dawn Duff
- Derrick Canan
- Jess Reynolds
- Martin Leistner

### **Non-member Staff participating:**

- Frank Patrizio – Legal Counsel
- Tyler Rench – Village Administrator
- Rhonda Gill – Fiscal Officer
- Tim Cline – Police Chief

### **Consent Agenda:**

The consent agenda included:

- Approval of Council Minutes (January 13, 2025. Special)
- Approval of Council Minutes (January 21, 2025)
- Income Tax Report for December 2024

A motion was made to accept the consent agenda by Ms. Duff, seconded by Ms. Blumenstock. Mr. Reynolds, abstain; Mr. Leistner, aye; Ms. Duff, aye; Mr. Canan, aye; Ms. Welborn, aye; Ms. Blumenstock, aye. Motion passed.

### **Visitors**

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Ms. Vonda Kesler, 319 N. Main Street, Covington, OH, brought forward some concerns to the council regarding sewer issues. Tyler Rench explained that the wastewater department currently checks low flow areas on a weekly basis. A long-term plan is being developed to correct low flow issues in the future.

### **Mayor's Report**

Mayor Harmon announced there would be an Open House on Tuesday, February 18, 2025, from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM, prior to the council meeting.

### **Administrator's Report**

Mr. Rench reported the heating system at the Government Center will be completed once the remaining parts arrive.

The WWTP is now running with the SCADA system on line. Demolition of the old wastewater plant should begin within the next 45-60 days.

The new housing development, Stillwater Run, is moving along as expected with work being completed on underground utilities as the weather permits.

### **Discussion Items**

None

### **Old Business**

None

### **New Business**

None

### **Police Chief and Elected Official's Comments**

Chief Cline presented a full-year report, reviewing the various activities and accomplishments of the Police Department for 2024. The Covington Police Department is the only police department within Miami County that has all employees living in the community.

### **Executive Session**

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Mayor Harmon declared the need for Executive Session Under ORC 121.22 (G)(1) to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official; and to consider pending or imminent court action by division (G)(3) of ORC 121.22. With no action to be taken after.

A motion to enter into Executive Session was made by Ms. Duff, seconded by Mr. Leistner. All ayes. Motion carried and council entered into executive session at 7:35 PM.

A motion was made by Mr. Canan to exit the Executive Session and seconded by Ms. Duff. All ayes. Motion carried and the council exited the Executive Session at 8:16 PM.

### **Adjournment**

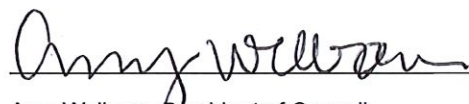
A final motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Leistner, seconded by Ms. Duff. The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 PM.



Lee Harmon, Mayor



Rhonda Gill, Fiscal Officer



Amy Welborn, President of Council

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