

Town of Covington
Monthly Meeting of Covington Town Board
October 9, 2012

The monthly meeting of Covington Town Board was held on Tuesday October 9, 2012 at the Covington Town Hall. Present were Councilpersons Paul Tobias, Brian Murphy, Sharon West and Larry Warren. Also present were Supervisor Jerry Davis, Town Clerk Amy Wiedrich, Zoning Officer Alan Rudgers and Highway Superintendent Mike Bell. Bookkeeper Deb Long and residents Karl Smith & David Johnson were also present.

The pledge of allegiance opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

On a motion of Councilperson West, seconded by Councilperson Warren the following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYES 0 ABSENT 0 ABSTAIN 0
RESolved to approve September 3, 2012 minutes as read.

On a motion of Councilperson Tobias seconded by Councilperson Warren the following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 ABSTAIN 0
RESolved to approve September 25, 2012 minutes as read.

At this time Supervisor Davis opened the public hearing. Jerry gave a brief explanation as to why we would pass the overriding of the 2% tax cap- If we don't use it great, but it would be available if we need to.

On a motion of Councilperson Murphy, seconded by Councilperson Tobias the following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 ABSTAIN 0
RESolved to approve the paying of general bills 125 to 140 totaling \$7,207.54.

On a motion of Councilperson Warren, seconded by Councilperson West the following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 ABSTAIN 0
RESolved to approve the paying of highway bills 131 to 147 totaling \$24,130.93.

ZONING REPORT- Alan Rudgers

- Alan submitted his monthly report

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- Planning Board will be meeting on October 10.

HIGHWAY REPORT- Mike Bell

- Culvert on Morrow Rd is done
- Re-stocking the stone
- Radios are still not here
- Josh is done with 3rd trip of mowing
- Ordered signs curves & prevailing speeds.
- Mike mentioned he would like to replace the air compressor, the one they have is pretty old. Jerry would like to purchase the air compressor out of this year's budget. Following a brief discussion and a motion of Supervisor Davis, seconded by Councilperson Tobias the following resolution was
ADOPTED AYES 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 ABSTAIN 0
30.) RESolved to approve the purchase of an air compressor up to \$3500.00.
* Cleaning and painting inside the shop.

DEPUTY SUPERVISOR- Paul Tobias

- All highway bills are paid and cleared

SUPERVISOR REPORT- Jerry Davis

- Supervisor Davis submitted his report on town monies:
General Repair Reserve Fund.....\$980.11
Highway Checking.....\$17541.13
General Checking.....\$32,167.47
Trust and Agency Checking.....\$3,843.26
General Money Market..... \$150,385.43
Highway Money Market.....\$ 185,412.57
TOTAL.....\$390,329.97
- Jerry stated we need to issue check for \$1000.00 as down payment for the roof of the town Hall, they should be starting on the roof this week.
- With regards to the Castile Fire- papers have been sent out to be freeze-dried, not sure if they can be salvaged. Still unsure what we lost if anything, Jerry will keep us posted.
- Jerry will contact union rep regarding health insurance. Jerry received a call from them about possible health insurance savings.
- Jerry is still having computer issues.
- Looking into more grants- seeing what is available.
- Need to sign emergency response plan that was adopted in July.

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- Received letter from Town of Pavilion Transfer Station, they are running \$8 to \$10,000 in the red. Jerry would like to send them a letter requesting figures. A lengthy discussion ensued. Jerry questioned why we were just hearing about this now. Expense should be put on people who use this service. Board agreed and Jerry will sent letter requesting last few years of records to see how they have been running.
- Talked to County Treasurer regarding tax collector- Town will need to purchase a computer for her.
- Ed Smart is still waiting for legal verbiage from Dave Dimatteo in order to go out to bid.
- Supervisor Davis learned that with M&T Trucking's pilot agreement, the town is supposed to bill M&T Trucking for their portion. Jerry will find out more.

Reviewed the preliminary budget, a lengthy discussion ensued regarding fire district rates. Option was given to put \$60,000 from fund balance into the budget. The board was fine with that.

At this time Supervisor Davis gave last chance for anyone to speak regarding the tax cap. Hearing none--- On a motion of Councilperson Warren, seconded by Councilperson Murphy the following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 ABSTAIN 0

31.) RESolved to close the public hearing.

On a motion of Councilperson Murphy, seconded by Councilperson Warren the following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 ABSTAIN 0

32.) RESolved to override the tax cap

Meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m.