

Town of Covington
Monthly Meeting of Covington Town Board
October 13, 2015

The monthly meeting of Covington Town Board was held on Tuesday October 13 at the Covington Town Hall. Present were Councilpersons Larry Warren, Rod Cummins, Sharon West and Paul Tobias. Also present were Supervisor Jerry Davis, Town Clerk Amy Wiedrich, Zoning Officer Alan Rudgers and Highway Superintendent Mike Bell.

The pledge of allegiance opened the meeting at 7:30 pm

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 September 9th minutes as read

At this time Supervisor Davis opened the public hearing regarding the tax cap

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

ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 ABSTAIN 0
RESOLVED to approve paying general bills 194 thru 216 totaling \$24,969.77

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

ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 ABSTAIN 0
RESOLVED to approve paying highway bills 116 thru 133 totaling \$24,053.23

ZONING- Alan Rudgers

- Alan submitted his monthly report
- There is a public meeting at the Wyoming Fire Hall October 20 regarding Texas Brine. Following a brief discussion and a motion of Supervisor Davis, seconded by Councilperson Warren the following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 ABSTAIN 0

22.) RESOLVED to approve all bills regarding Texas Brine to be paid through the clerks account per the contract.

HIGHWAY-Mike Bell

- Synergy project is complete- at least as far as highway is concerned
- Tires for the truck are in
- Received a letter from the State that they are not sending check for the snowstorm until approximately 2018. We received the federal portion of the payment already
- Mike will try and find the best possible heater and purchase it
- Lengthy discussion ensued regarding possibly purchasing a new roller and trailer. On a motion of Councilperson Cummins, seconded by Councilperson Tobias the following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 0

23.) RESOLVED to approve the purchase of a roller and a trailer up to \$20,000

- There was an incident on Silver Lake Rd where a State police pulled over a manure truck. Mike was accused of calling the police in order to stop the trucks. Silver Lake road has been a posted road for more than 35 years. A lengthy discussion ensued. All are farmers are welcome to come to a meeting and speak regarding this to try and come to some sort of resolution or agreement.

DEPUTY SUPERVISOR- Paul Tobias

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- All bills are paid and cleared
- With regards to the State Retirement- the State is saying they did not receive the required information for certain employees to receive their retirement.

SUPERVISOR- Jerry Davis

- Supervisor Davis submitted his report on Town Monies:
Highway Checking..... \$19,329.91
General Checking..... \$30,350.62
Trust and Agency Checking..... \$59.43
General Money Market..... \$144,185.00
Highway Money Market..... \$186,400.40
TOTAL..... \$380,325.36
- Received a thank you note from the Senior Citizens
- Working on updating our website
- Jerry & Sharon will work on setting up a facebook page for the town
- With regards to the Synergy lawsuit-Town needs to be prepared for the worst. It is out of the towns hands and we will have to see how it all plays out
- Front door on the new building is still not right
- Supervisor Davis is setting up a manual for things that need to be done in case he is not available
- Should set up a reserve account for highway
- Beachfront properties is fighting their assessment
- We are still with Frontier, they will not release the numbers to Time Warner. Frontier wants to charge \$491.00 to cancel the service. Jerry will make a few more calls to try and get this resolved
- Budget for 2016 was given to the board members for review- it is still a work in progress

Supervisor Davis gave everyone a chance to speak at the public hearing: Alan Rudgers expressed his concern that his taxes went up quite a bit last year and he didn't want it to happen again. Hearing that the public hearing was closed

F following a brief discussion and a motion of Councilperson Warren, seconded by Councilperson Tobias the following resolution was
ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 ABSTAIN 0
24.) RESOLVED to approve overriding the tax cap

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 pm