

February 7, 2022

Present: Mayor Crain and Councilmembers: Salts, Martin, Sare, Smith, Tanner, and Attorney Powell.

Mayor Crain called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Minutes from January 4, 2022 Council meeting and January 17, 2022 Board of Works meeting were approved.

Covington 4th of July Queens Lexi Martin, Jalen Allen, and Keeley Lewsader were present to ask permission to have an Easter Egg Hunt at the City Park on April 10, 2022 around the soccer fields, the council agreed and gave them permission to use the park.

Mayor Crain welcomed Justin Martin as the newest member of the City council.

Butch Scott and Marty Accord were present to ask about the property at 509 Fancy Street this has been an ongoing issue since 2013 and they are wanting to know what the City is going to do about it. Attorney Powell said this case is in mediation in Court and Mayor Crain wants it to be condemned. Mayor Crain asked to schedule a mediation as soon as possible. Attorney Powell will check with the Judge to see what the best option is.

Keith Asbury was present to request the use of the City Park and all pavilions for the weekend of July 29-31 for a fund raiser for the Legion Cabin in the park. The Council stated he would have to check with park superintendent of the date and availability of pavilions and have an agenda of what all would be going on before they would grant permission.

Mayor Crain introduced Ordinance 2022-1 an ordinance adopting the Unsafe Building Law hereinafter referred to as the Unsafe Building Law of the City of Covington. Councilmember Sare made the motion to approve Councilmember Tanner 2nd motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Crain introduced Ordinance 2022-2 Ordinance Establishing department of Economic Development and Authorizing related matters amending 2021-11 and replaces Ordinance 79-7. Councilmember Tanner made the motion to accept and Councilmember Smith 2nd motion carried 5-0.

Superintendent Smith wanted to know if we have an ordinance preventing someone from living in a camper trailer in town. Mayor Crain will have the Health department check out the situation.

Superintendent Karushis stated he is having a hard time finding transformer right now they are on back order and many months out. He said all new construction will have to wait. Bill Stonecipher is wanting to put grain dryers on his property on Stonebluff Road, Clint said we don't have the power out there. He is getting someone from IMPA to come and do a cost analysis for our infrastructure.

Superintendent Myers asked about the Tri Ad project for the new waste water project, we are working on getting the permit for IDEM corrected.

Bart Crowder reported for the year for the fire department and gave the council a yearly report and the final quarter of 2021. He reported that engine 51 is out of service and is Indianapolis being torn apart and see what all the damage is to it. Bart will keep the council informed as they find out what is going on with it, he also suggested we start looking into a new fire truck. Bart also stated we have 6 new recruits and classes starting shortly hopefully we will be back to a full roster.

Mayor Crain received a letter from Home Serve USA on residential water and waste water lines, they would send out flyers to the residents about this program. The council agreed on giving this company permission to send out flyers about this insurance on water and waste water lines.

Councilmember Tanner asked about widening 13th Street this year with Community Crossings grant, it will be bid out just like always. He also asked about running new water and sewer lines under 13th Street before they put down the new blacktop.

Councilmember Sare Thanked the City workers for all their work through the snow storm.

Mayor Crain presented the council with a purchase order for the land from Ryan Sowers from Scott Wallace on Orchard Drive to 13th Street, Councilmember Tanner made the motion to purchase the land and Councilmember Sare 2nd Motion carried 5-0.

Meeting adjourned.



Mayor



Clerk-Treasurer

Board of Works

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Crain

Present: Councilmember Tanner and Councilmember Smith

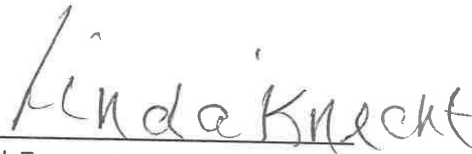
Councilmember Tanner made the motion to pay all claims and councilmember Smith 2nd Motion carried 3-0.

A bill was presented by Don Gibson on a frozen meter to be unfrozen by Edwards heating and Air. The Board of Works declined to pay the bill saying anytime you have a frozen meter you should always call the City first.

Meeting Adjourned.



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February 22, 2022

Board of Works Meeting
Covington City Building

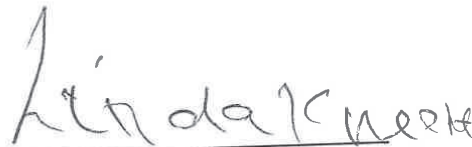
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Councilmember Tanner made the motion to approve all claims and Mayor Crain 2nd motion carried 3-0. Mayor Crain made the motion to hire Shannon Bowling as 2nd Deputy in the City Utility office, Councilmember Tanner 2nd motion carried 2-0. Shannon will start Monday February 28, 2022.

Meeting adjourned.



Mayor



Clerk-Treasurer