

Covington IN 47932

January 3, 2023

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

In attendance from the public: Carol Owens, Nancy Wallace, Margo Lewis, Marty Accord, Butch Scott, Bill Stonecipher, Tanner Nolan, Josh Rainey, Keith Asbury, Kris Brock, Brenda Hardy, Jason Beck, Brian Chumley, Brooks Chumley, Graham Chumley, Polly Chumley, Tony Hicks, Pam Hicks, Eric Guyer, Scott Powell

Mayor Crain called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.  
Minutes from the December 19, 2022 Council meeting and Board of Works were approved.

Mayor Crain introduced Brad Smith as the new member to the City Council replacing Patty Smith.

Mayor Crain made his 2023 appointments: Mayor Pro Tem: Bob Tanner, Board of Works: Joe Sare, Justin Martin, Brad Crain, Collector of Utilities: Linda Knecht, Meter Reader: Matt Keele, Electric Supt: Clint Karushis, Street Supt: Tyler Nolan, Water pumping and Wastewater Supt: Greg Myers, Chief of Police: Shannon Foster, Fire Chief: Garth Kagels, ADA Compliance Representative: Joe Whitaker, Park Caretaker: Chris Pinkerton, Animal control officer; Kedric Sowers, City Attorney: Taylor Powell, Zoning Administrator: Jerry Crain.

Council Liaisons: Electric Department-Josh Salts

Street Department- Bob Tanner

Water & Wastewater – Justin Martin

Police & Fire - Brad Smith

Park & Recreation – Joe Sare

Mayor Crain introduced Kris Brock from Economic Development and Brenda Hardy Fountain County Commissioner. Kris Brock was present to talk about how the federal money can be used that was awarded at the December 19, 2022 meeting, she said streets are not included in this project, just water, waste water, broad band and sidewalks, she will look into if Electric is covered. Brian Chumley was present to ask if his project will be accepted also, and Mayor Crain said yes as long as the correct paper work is submitted. The performance deadline is 12/31/2026. Brian Chumley will have to communicate with Kris Brock on his plans for his


subdivision. Community Crossings is available for funding of roads according to Mayor Crain. The Council will be responsible for submitting and going through the bid projects and approving the projects. The resolution that was passed at the December 19,22 meeting will be amended to remove Shiloh as the only new construction that will benefit from the Federal monies. The City of Covington will be considered as the project owner of this funding. Councilmember Salts asked if our electric grid can take on 60 more houses and Mayor Crain said yes. Fire Chief Kagels asked to have input on where the fire hydrants would be installed at the new housing projects.

Fire Chief Kagels said they had 3 firemen that finished the class that was offered at the Fire station and are actively seeking new firemen, if interested in applying for the Fire Department please pick up an application at the City Building. He said fire calls were up and medical calls for a very busy 2022, Bart Crowder will have numbers for all the runs for 2022 at the February meeting

Superintendent Myers said the roof at the #2 wells is leaking Mayor Crain suggested getting a new roof. Mayor Crain will contact Chris Davis about a new roof.

Chief Foster asked the council to consider OT for the Police Department, Councilmember Salts made the motion to pay OT for hours over 40. Councilmember Tanner 2<sup>nd</sup> Motion carried 5-0.

Meeting adjourned.



Mayor



Clerk-Treasurer

Board of Works

Meeting called to order

Present: Mayor Crain, Councilmember Sare

Mayor Crain made the motion to move Mike Cadman to Journeyman Lineman at a rate of \$32.00 effective December 26, 2022. Motion carried 2-0.

Councilmember Sare made the motion to pay all claims Councilmember Martin 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried 3-0.

Meeting Adjourned



Mayor



Clerk-Treasurer

Covington City Council Special Meeting  
328 Washington Street  
Covington IN 47932

January 16, 2022

Present: Mayor Crain, Councilmembers Salts, Martin, Sare, Tanner

Absent: Councilmember Smith, Attorney Powell

Mayor Crain called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Bids were open for the Community Crossings Grant for paving city streets, bids were received from Corey Downs from Rieth-Riley and Milestone. Rieth-Riley bid \$441,957.07 Milestone bid \$539,897.50. Rieth-Riley will be awarded the bid, everything will be mailed to the consultant to assure no issues, streets to be done are 8<sup>th</sup> Street from Washington to Liberty, 2<sup>nd</sup> Street from Pearl to Liberty Street, Peach Lane from 9<sup>th</sup> Street to Bridge, 13<sup>th</sup> Street from Pearl Street to North City limits (Bob Hays) and Johnson Street from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> Street,

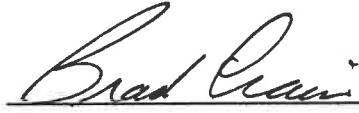
Meeting adjourned

Board of Work

Present: Mayor Crain, Councilmember Martin, Sare

Councilmember Martin made the motion to pay all claims Councilmember Sare 2<sup>nd</sup> motion carried 3-0.

Meeting adjourned



Mayor



Clerk-Treasurer