

Covington City Council
329 Washington Street
Covington IN 47932

February 6, 2023

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

In attendance from the public: Nancy Wallace, Margo Lewis, Marty Accord, Butch Scott, Keith Asbury, Brian Chumley, Polly Chumley, Paula Copenhaver, Jerry Martin, Wayne Walker, Heather Walker

Mayor Crain called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes from the January 3, 2023 Council meeting and Board of Works and Special meeting and Board of Works on January 16, 2023 were approved.

Mayor Crain submitted the Reith Riley bid of \$441,957.07 for council approval Councilmember Smith made the motion Councilmember Martin 2nd Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Crain introduced Resolution 2023-1 listing Shiloh and Whispering Willows for the READI grant to replace Resolution 2022-4 where Shiloh was the only subdivision listed. Councilmember Smith made the motion to approve 2023-1 Councilmember Sare 2nd Motion carried 5-0. Brian Chumley stated he now has 30 lots to develop and not 19.

Bart Crowder presented the year end Fire report stating they are up over 60 calls from last year and still in need of new firemen, the medical calls are the ones that have increased the most.

Superintendent Nolan needs permission to purchase a new hose for the sewer jet the price is \$3,760.00 Councilmember Tanner made the motion to purchase councilmember Sare 2nd Motion carried 5-0.

Police Chief Foster said the Police department has hired a new police officer. Covington will have the first female officer in Covington history. Councilmember Tanner made the motion to hire Haley Aukerman and Sare 2nd motion carried 5-0.

Wayne and Heather Walker who live at 801 Pearl Street where present to talk about the ordinance violation letter about barking dogs they have received with a \$1000.00 fine. Mr. Walker said they have tried to resolve the issue with his neighbor, they thought the issue was handled until October when he was notified that the City Attorney had been notified. The Walkers are having cameras installed so they have proof that the dogs don't bark as much as reported. They have notified the neighbors about the situation and all the other neighbors

have signed a paper saying the dogs are not a problem. A discussion was held on the situation, the council will revisit this situation if there is another complaint.

Councilmember Tanner asked about the water and sewer lines that will go to the Shiloh project he asked if the City is responsible for the installation of the lines to supply Shiloh and Mayor Crain answered yes. Councilmember Tanner asked about locations on 13th before the street is widened, Mayor Crain answered that it is being taken care of.

Councilmember Martin talked about the property 1322 4th Street he said it looks like they have started a scrap and junk yard. Councilmember Martin asked if a letter can be sent that they are in violation of ordinance on junk, Mayor Crain instructed Attorney Powell to send a letter to get it cleaned up. Councilmember Martin also announced that all City ordinances are now available on the City website Covingtonin.net

Councilmember Salts asked about the new bathrooms at the City park and an estimate of time when they will be complete, Mayor Crain said once the weather warms up they can get the plumbing and painting done and should be ready before the baseball and softball seasons begin. The big pavilion should be complete as soon as we receive the grant monies to paint and replace the roof.

Mayor Crain announced that Electric Superintendent Karushis will be resigning at the end of March. Mayor Crain said we will put an application out soon for this job and will have to have the qualifications that Clint had, Mayor Crain will have a meeting with IMPA and see what they recommend.

Meeting Adjourned



Mayor



Clerk-Treasurer

Board of Works

Meeting called to order.

Present: Mayor Crain, Councilmember Sare, Martin.

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

Mayor Crain made the motion to approve waste water adjustments for Lynn Foster and Michael Merryman to normal usage Councilmember Martin 2nd Motion carried 3-0.

Meeting Adjourned



Mayor



Clerk-Treasurer

Covington City Council Special meeting
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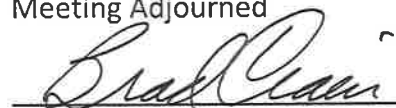
February 21, 2023

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

Mayor Crain called the special meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Mayor Crain introduced ordinance 2023-1 giving the Police department a raise amending 2022-9 for the Police department only, this is much needed because our Police department doesn't make as much as other local agencies, this raise will go into effect for the March 3, 2023 payroll check. Councilmember Tanner made the motion to approve 2023-1 Councilmember Martin 2nd Motion carried 4-0.

Meeting Adjourned



Mayor



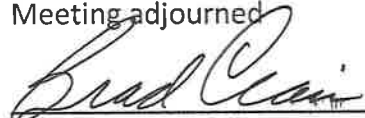
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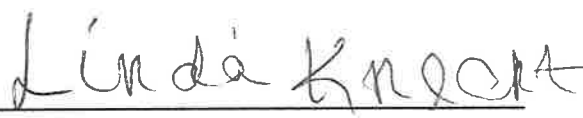
Present: Mayor Crain, Councilmembers Martin, Sare.

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

Meeting adjourned



Mayor



Clerk-Treasurer

March 8, 2023

Board of Works
Covington City Building

Present: Councilmembers Martin and Sare

Councilmember Sare made the motion to pay all claims and Councilmember Martin 2nd. Motion carried 2-0.

Meeting adjourned



Mayor



Clerk-Treasurer