MINUTES CALLED MEETING MARCH 11, 2019

A called meeting of the Council for the City of Covington was held on Monday, March 11, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. in the Cafetorium of the Jeter-Watson School/Edgemont Primary School located at 560/574 W. Indian Valley Road, Covington, Virginia.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Thomas H. Sibold, Jr. with all members present as follows: Mayor Sibold, Vice Mayor David S. Crosier, Councilman C. J. Entsminger, Jr., Councilman Raymond C. Hunter and Councilman S. Allan Tucker. Interim City Manager: Clay Goodman

Members of the Covington City School Board present: Chairman Eddy Clemons, Vice Chairman Bert Baker, Tonya Jones, Tamala Preston and Erika Hunter. School Superintendent: Melinda Snead-Johnson

The purpose of the meeting was to hold a joint meeting with the Covington City School Board for discussion regarding scheduling routine meetings and the FY 2019/2020 Budget.

Discussion was held regarding building a good relationship between Council and the Covington School Board with joint meetings to aid in planning for budgets and better communications. A tentative date for the next meeting was set for Tuesday, April 9, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. in Council Chambers prior to the regular meeting of Council.

Brief discussion was held regarding the FY 2019/2020 Budget. Superintendent Snead-Johnson noted that as of this date, the City has 988 students. If pre-k and early childhood classes are added, there are over 1,000 students in Covington City Schools. She noted that the School System continues to grow which means more classes and teachers to meet state mandates. Maintenance needs were also noted.

Mr. Goodman noted in his remarks that the City is also looking at increased expenditures and infrastructure needs that must be addressed.

Discussion was also held regarding developing a budget agreement between the City and the School Board to better facilitate communication and allocation of funding.

No further business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned.

THOMAS H. SIBOLD, JR., MAYOR

PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL, AND, AS SUCH, EX-OFFICIO OFFICER OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON,

VIRGINIA

ATTEST:

EDITH & WOOD CITY CLERK