

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 12, 2019

The regular meeting of the Council for the City of Covington was held on Tuesday, November 12, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers of City Hall located at 333 W. Locust Street, Covington, Virginia.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Thomas H. Sibold, Jr. The Invocation was given by Rev. Steve Noel followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call of Council showed all members present as follows: Mayor Sibold, Vice Mayor David S. Crosier, Councilman Claiborne "C. J." Entsminger, Jr., Councilman Raymond C. Hunter and Councilman S. Allan Tucker.

City Manager: Krystal Onaitis
City Attorney: Mark Popovich

CORRECTIONS AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion by Vice Mayor Crosier, seconded by Mr. Tucker, Council voted to approve the following minutes as presented: Called Meeting of October 1, 2019; Work Session of October 1, 2019 and Regular Meeting of October 8, 2019.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT AND APPROVAL OF CHECKS

David Bryant, Director of Finance and HR, noted that the draft of the audit is complete and the fund balance is good. Upon a motion by Vice Mayor Crosier, seconded by Mr. Tucker, Council voted to approve the monthly financial report and the October checks.

REQUESTS, PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

Upon a motion by Vice Mayor Crosier, seconded by Mr. Tucker, Council voted to appoint City Manager Krystal Onaitis to the Roanoke Valley/Alleghany Regional Commission.

The following three appointments were made to the Alleghany Highlands Economic Development Corporation: Council voted to appoint Vice Mayor Crosier as representative of Council; David Oliver as the business representative and Mary Ann Beirne as the citizen representative. The terms are for 3 years beginning January 1, 2020.

REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER

There were no new items to report at this time.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Upon a motion by Vice Mayor Crosier, seconded by Mr. Tucker, Council voted 5 to 0 to approve, on second reading, Ordinance O-19-11 regarding the Joint Economic Development and Growth-Sharing Agreement. Mayor Sibold, For; Vice Mayor Crosier, For; Mr. Entsminger, For; Mr. Hunter, For; and Mr. Tucker, For.

Following discussion, a motion was made by Vice Mayor Crosier, seconded by Mr. Tucker, to approve, on first reading, Ordinance O-19-12 regarding changes in filing requirements for tax relief for the elderly and disabled. Motion carried 5 to 0. Mayor Sibold, For; Vice Mayor Crosier, For; Mr. Entsminger, For; Mr. Hunter, For and Mr. Tucker, For.

Upon a motion by Vice Mayor Crosier, seconded by Mr. Tucker, Council voted 5 to 0 to approve Appropriation Resolution R-19-58 regarding the Health Department in the amount of \$3,365.67. Mayor Sibold, For; Vice Mayor Crosier, For; Mr. Entsminger, For; Mr. Hunter, For and Mr. Tucker, For.

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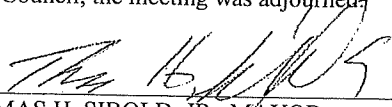
Upon a motion by Vice Mayor Crosier, seconded by Mr. Tucker, Council voted 5 to 0 to approve the Roanoke Valley/Alleghany Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan. Mayor Sibold, For; Vice Mayor Crosier, For; Mr. Entsminger, For; Mr. Hunter, For and Mr. Tucker, For.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Hunter inquired about the barrier at the Kern property.

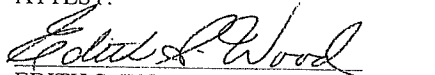
Mr. Entsminger inquired about the search for the next Chief of Police. Ms. Onaitis responded that interviews are to be held the first of December. She noted the response for this position has included very good candidates.

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 S. WOOD, CITY CLERK