

Town of Covington
Monthly Meeting of the Covington Town Board
November 8, 2011

The monthly meeting of the Covington Town Board was held on Tuesday November 8, 2011 at the Covington Town Building. Present were Councilpersons Paul Tobias, Larry Warren, Sharon West and Brian Murphy. Also present was Supervisor Jerry Davis, Town Clerk Amy Wiedrich, Highway Superintendent Mike Bell and residents Karl Smith and Jim McIlroy.

The Pledge of allegiance opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Supervisor Davis opened the public Hearing on overriding the tax cap.

Supervisor Davis then opened the public hearing on the Pavilion Fire Contract.

Supervisor Davis also opened the public hearing on the 2012 budget.

On a motion of Councilperson Warren, seconded by Councilperson Murphy the following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 ABSTAIN 0
RESolved to approve the October 11, 2011 minutes as read.

On a motion of Councilperson Murphy, seconded by Councilperson Tobias the following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 ABSTAIN 0
RESolved to approve the October 25,2011 minutes as read.

On a motion of Councilperson Murphy , seconded by Councilperson Tobias the following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 ABSTAIN 0
RESolved to approve the paying of general bills 174 to 197 totaling \$9617.72.

On a motion of Councilperson Warren, seconded by Councilperson West the following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 ABSTAIN 0
RESolved to approve the paying of highway bills 136 to 159 totaling \$16,402.06.

ZONING- Alan Rudgers

Alan did not attend meeting but he did submit his monthly report

HIGHWAY- Mike Bell

- * Put tires on the excavator
- * Put starter & temperature gauge on the roller
- *They have been doing some driveways & ditch work
- * Mike mentioned that he has had a couple complaints about mud in the road.
- *Has some more sign work to do and snow fence to put up.

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- * Mike mentioned that Gordon is almost done with the mowing.
- * The 2012 pick up has been ordered.

DEPUTY SUPERVISOR- Paul Tobias

- * All highway and general bills are paid and cleared.

SUPERVISOR- Jerry Davis

- * Supervisor Davis mentioned that he and Mike have been discussing options for the issues on Wallace Road. Mike does have some more signs he can put up and he would like to put the posts back and remove the large rocks.
- * Senator Gallivan will be meeting Synergy on Monday November 21, 2011
- * Jerry mentioned that Debbie is home and recuperating from her surgery.
- * Jerry talked to the sheriff about the robberies in our area.

OLD BUSINESS

- * Mike advised that the laser equipment can be rented for \$75.00 a day or \$2100 to purchase, Board suggested to rent it for a couple days to make sure he likes it before purchasing it.

- * At this time Supervisor Davis opened the floor to discuss local law #1, Jerry stated that CPA's and auditing firms have suggested overriding the tax cap- just in case a mistake is made, just to protect yourself. Supervisor Davis made the recommendation to override, A lengthy discussion ensued. Karl Smith stated he is all for the override- he feels that is the best way to protect the town. On a motion of Supervisor Davis, seconded by Councilperson Warren the following resolution was
ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 ABSTAIN 0
52.) RESolved to close the public hearing and pass the local Law #1 to override the 2% tax cap.

- * At this time Supervisor Davis opened the floor to speak regarding the Pavilion Fire District Contract. Hearing None, On a motion of Councilperson Murphy, seconded by Councilperson West the following resolution was
ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 ABSTAIN 0
53.) RESolved to close the public hearing and approve the Pavilion Fire District contract at \$59,000.

- * At this time Supervisor Davis opened the floor regarding the preliminary budget. Jerry advised he will need to adjust the health care cost because Bryon will have 7 months of a family plan. Hearing nothing, On a motion of Councilperson Tobias, seconded by Councilperson Warren the following resolution was
ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 0
54.) RESolved to close the public hearing and accept the preliminary budget with the change in healthcare as the 2012 budget.

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Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.