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THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, TENNESSEE ON MARCH 10, 2026, AT 5:30 P.M.

1. Meeting to be called to order by Mayor Jan Hensley.
2. Invocation to be given by Alderman Jeff Morris.
3. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag to be led by Alderwoman Margaret Fleming.
4. Minutes of the Preceding Meeting to be approved.
 - Minutes from The Board of Mayor and Alderman
5. Report from Committees:
 - Beer Board Minutes
 - Public Safety Committee Minutes
 - Public Works Committee Minutes
6. Additions to the Agenda.
7. Welcome to visitors and grievances from citizens.
8. Report from Mayor Jan Hensley:
9. Report from Recorder-Treasurer Lisa Elam.
10. Report from City Attorney Rachel Simmons.
11. Old Business:
12. New Business:
 - Bills Over/Under \$1,000.00 ready for Board Approval

The Beer Board of the City of Covington, Tennessee met at City Hall on February 24, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. with the following members present: Mayor Jan Hensley, Alderman Jeff Morris, Aldermen: CH Sullivan, Danny Wallace, Jean Johnson, John Edwards, and Margaret Fleming. Also present were Public Works Director Tim Haynes, Park and Recreation Director Molly Glass, Building Official Lessie Fisher, City Attorney Rachel Simmons, Assistant to Mayor Jason Fleming, and Recorder-Treasurer Lisa Elam

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Jan Hensley.

Consideration of a SPECIAL USE - EVENT BEER PER \UT for THE TIPTON ARTS COUNCIL, INC. the owner and operator of THE RUFFIN THEATER located at 113\VEST PLEASANT AVE. for six events namely NORMAL NOPISES-TOM PETTY TRIBUTE BAND on the 28th of February-THE PETER BLUNT SYSTEM BAND on the----- 7th of March; ELEVATION MEMPHIS-TINA TURNER TRIBUTE BAND on the 14th of March; TENNESSEE BACKWATER on the 28th of March ; RISKY WHISKEY BOYS BAND on the 4th of April and SEAN OF THE SOUTH on the 12th of September 2026.

Motion was made by Alderman Sullivan and seconded by Alderman Morris to approve the Consideration of a SPECIAL USE - EVENT BEER Per \UT for THE TIPTON ARTS COUNCIL, INC. the owner and operator of THE RUFFIN THEATER located at 113\VEST PLEASANT AVE. for six events namely NORMAL NOPISES-TOM PETTY TRIBUTE BAND on the 28th of February-THE PETER BLUNT SYSTEM BAND on the----- 7th of March; ELEVATION MEMPHIS-TINA TURNER TRIBUTE BAND on the 14th of March; TENNESSEE BACKWATER on the 28th of March ; RISKY WHISKEY BOYS BAND on the 4th of April and SEAN OF THE SOUTH on the 12th of September 2026.

Motion passed.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:31 p.m.

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen met at City of Covington on February 24, 2026, at 5:31 p.m. with the following members present: Mayor Jan Hensley, Alderman Jeff Morris, Alderman CH Sullivan, Alderman John Edwards, Alderman Danny Wallace, Alderwoman Jean Johnson and Alderwoman Margaret Fleming. Also present were Public Works Director Tim Haynes, Police Chief Donna Turner, Building Official Lessie Fisher, Fire Chief Richard Griggs Record Clerk David Gwinn, Assistant to Mayor Jason Fleming, City Attorney Rachel Simmons and Recorder-Treasurer Lisa Elam.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Jan Hensley.

Invocation was given by Alderman CH Sullivan.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Alderman Danny Wallace.

Motion was made by Alderman John Edwards and seconded by Alderman CH Sullivan to approve the minutes of the Preceding Meeting to be approved.

Motion passed.

Motion was made by Alderwoman Jean Johnson and seconded by Alderman CH Sullivan to approve the minutes of the Public Relations Committee Meeting.

Motion passed.

Motion was made by Alderman CH Sullivan and seconded by Alderman Jeff Morris to approve the minutes of the Finance and Administration Committee Meeting.

Motion passed.

Mayor Hensley honored Firefighter Ter. Mayor Hensley gave thanks to all departments during the Ice Storm. Mayor Hensley also acknowledged Firefighter Terrance Smith as a Fire Hero and presented him with a Proclamation of Honor.

Motion was made by Alderman John Edwards and seconded by Alderman CH Sullivan to accept Mayor Hensley's request to honor firefighter Terrance Smith with a Proclamation/Accommodation.

Motion passed.

Mayor Hensley congratulated the Boys and Girls Club on the BHM Program honoring M Bomar and Pastor Moses of Canon Baptist Church. Mayor Hensley acknowledged James Dowell for being a City Mentor. Ed Doyle with the Boys and Girls Club honored youth of the month, January student Yancey and February student Starks. Mayor Hensley announced he will be attending the 8th P2P next week.

Recorder-Treasurer Lisa Elam reported the sales tax received for the November collection was \$412,281, which was a decrease of \$18,496 or -4.3%. Year-to-date collections for the fiscal year are \$2,033,144, which is a decrease of \$21,698 or -1.1%.

Motion was made by Alderman John Edwards and seconded by Alderman CH Sullivan to accept the sales tax report from Recorder-Treasurer Lisa Elam.

Motion passed.

No report from City Attorney Rachel Simmons issued a statement that she was glad the Mayor and Board of Alderman along with citizens are advocating for more housing and expanding the city.

of \$5000.00.

Motion passed.

Public Hearing for Ordinance 1769 (Administrative) for third and final reading was called to order. There being no public comments, the public hearing was closed (See Attached).

Motion was made by Alderman CH Sullivan and seconded by Alderman John Edwards to approve ADMINISTRATIVE ORDINANCE 1796 (fee schedule) on the third and final reading.

Voting Aye: Sullivan, Morris, Edwards, Johnson, Fleming, Wallace

Motion passed.

Public Hearing for Ordinance 1797 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE COVINGTON MUNICIPAL ZONING MAP TO REZONE PROPERTY SOUTH OF BURNETT LANE NEAR ITS INTERSECTION WITH COUNTRY LAKE DRIVE for third and final hearing was called to order. After public comments, hearing was closed. (see attached)

Motion was made by Alderman CH Sullivan and seconded by Alderman Jeff Morris to approve ORDINANCE 1797- AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE COVINGTON MUNICIPAL ZONING MAP TO REZONE PROPERTY SOUTH OF BURNETT LANE NEAR ITS INTERSECTION WITH COUNTRY LAKE DRIVE (DORIS CRAGWALL PROPERTY) FROM R-1 (LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL) DISTRICT TO R-1A (MODERATE DENSITY RESIDENTIAL) DISTRICT on the third and final reading.

Voting Aye: Sullivan, Morris, Edwards, Johnson, Fleming, Wallace

Motion passed.

Motion was made by Alderman Edwards and seconded by Alderman Sullivan to adopt Resolution NO. 02-24-2026- Adoption of Citywide Cybersecurity Policy and Procedures.

Motion passed.

Motion was made by Alderwoman Jean Johnson and seconded by Alderman Danny Wallace to pay Bills Over/Under \$1,000.00.

Motion passed.

With there being no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:19 p.m.

Attest:

Recorder -Treasurer

Mayor

The General Welfare – Public Safety Committee met at City of Covington on February 24, 2026, at 4:00 p.m. with the following committee members present: Chairman Jeff Morris, Alderman John Edwards, and Alderman C H Sullivan. Also present were Alderwoman Margaret Fleming, Alderman Danny Wallace, and Alderwoman Jean Johnson, Police Chief Donna Turner, Assistant to Mayor Jason Fleming, Public Works Director Tim Haynes, Director of Code Compliance Lessie Fisher, City Attorney Rachel Simmons and Recorder-Treasurer Lisa Elam.

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Alderman Jeff Morris.

Assistant Fire Chief Jeremy Channell reported County coverage are collections for 2026 \$59,025.00. Assistant Fire Chief Channell also reported 0 hours worked by Volunteers in 0 for January, reported the call volume for December 2025 was 2,596 and to date for 2026 of 217. Assistant Chief Channel reported Engine 3 should be in April of this year.

Motion was made by Alderman CH Sullivan and seconded by Alderman John Edwards to approve Assistant Chief Channels report.

Motion passed.

Police Chief Donna Turner reported there are 0 vacancies for the Police Department. Chief Turner updated the Ride Along Authorization Form. Chief Turner reported that the Bike Training through IPMBA was attended by Police Officers in the Bike Unit. Chief Turner reported a water leak in the evidence room, which has been repaired. Nine officers participated in the THSO Child Safety Program. Chief Turner also reported the VCIF Grant was issued to Memphis this year. Chief Turner also gave an update on current grants for the Police Department.

Motion was made by Alderman CH Sullivan and seconded by Alderman John Edwards to approve Police Chief Turner's report.

Motion passed.

Police Chief Turner asked the committee to approve the request to post the Weapons Sale notice.

Motion was made by Alderman John Edwards and seconded by Alderman CH Sullivan to approve the request to post the Weapons Sale notice.

Motion passed.

With there being no further business the meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

The Public Works Committee met at City of Covington on March 03, 2026, at 4:00 p.m. with the following members present: Chairman Alderman Danny Wallace, Alderman Jeff Morris, Alderman John Edwards, and Mayor Jan Hensley. Also, present were Alderwoman Margaret Fleming, Public Works Director Tim Haynes, Building Official Lessie Fisher, Fire Chief Richard Griggs, Human Resource Director Cody Bumpus, Chief of Staff Jason Fleming, and Recorder Treasurer Lisa Elam.

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Danny Wallace.

Public Works Director Tim Haynes reported that the Materials have arrived for the Wastewater Upgrades to the Clarifiers. Director Haynes reported the parts for the Wastewater Screw Pumps are on site and #1 will be installed this week. Director Haynes also received the final sign off on the easements for the Hwy 59 Sewer Line Extension. Director Haynes Director Haynes issued updates on the Water Plant Pressurized Filter, #1 has been sandblasted, During this process coating was needed for the repair and was advised it will be needed for the remaining filters. Director Haynes reported a new 2026 Chevy 1500 4WD Crew Cab was added to the fleet replacing the 2011 Ford F150. Director Haynes reported that the HWY 51 Sidewalk Project is waiting for TDOT approval of ROWs Documents.

Motion was made by Mayor Jan Hensley and seconded by Alderman Jeff Morris to accept Public Works Director Tim Haynes report.

Motion Passed.

Codes Enforcement Director Lessie Fisher reported that the department has 2 open positions, part-time and a full-time Code Inspector. Director Fisher reported that 718 Douglas and 506 West Ripley have been added to the Blight List. Director Fisher also reported that the Property Maintenance Spreadsheet is still waiting for Attorney Review.

Motion was made by Mayor Jan Hensley and seconded by Alderman John Edwards to accept Director Lessie Fisher's report.

Motion passed.

With no further business, meeting adjourned at 4:21 p.m.

