MINUTES CALLED MEETING MAY 28, 2019

A called meeting of the Council for the City of Covington was held on Tuesday, May 28, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. in the 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. with 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. Interim City Manager: Clay Goodman

The purpose of the meeting was: (1) To conduct interviews with candidates for appointment to the Covington City School Board; (2) To hold a closed session pursuant to the Virginia Freedom of Information Act Sec. 2.2-3711 A. 1 regarding Council appointed personnel/City Manager recruitment.

Interviews were conducted regarding two appointments to the Covington City School Board. Candidates for appointment were: Mr. Jonathan Arritt, Mr. Bert Baker, Mr. Eddy Clemons, and Mr. Temple Kessinger, Jr. Mrs. Stephanie Clark had withdrawn from consideration.

Questions asked included: Why do you desire to be on the School Board? How would you handle special requests if approached by a member of the community, special interest groups or personnel etc.? What do you see as the roll and responsibilities of a School Board member? What is your vision for education? What challenges do you see in the Covington School System? Do you support consolidation of school systems? What goals to you see to strive for? Do you believe that the safety of the students and personnel in the schools is being adequately addressed? What is your own experience with public education and how would your won experience influence your work as a board member?

Council thanked all of the candidates for being present for the interviews and for their interest in the Covington City Schools

Following the interviews, a motion was made by Vice Mayor Crosier, seconded by Mr. Tucker to move into closed session pursuant to the Virginia Freedom of Information Sec. 2.2-3711 A.1 for the purpose of discussion regarding Council appointed personnel/City Manager recruitment.

Following the closed session, Council reconvened and voted to certify that on the item stated was discussed.

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

EDITH S. WOOD, CITY CLERK