

MINUTES  
CALLED MEETING  
APRIL 2, 2019

A called meeting of the Council for the City of Covington was held on Tuesday, April 2, 2019 at 5:00 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 C. J. Entsminger, Jr., Councilman Raymond C. Hunter and Councilman S. Allan Tucker.  
Interim City Manager: Clay Goodman

The purpose of the meeting was to hold a work session regarding the FY 2019/2020 Budget.

Mr. Goodman opened the meeting stating that this work session would be for discussion of revenue projections.


David Bryan, Director of Finance and HR, gave a power point presentation regarding revenue projections with line item detail and additional information. Revenue sources included: General Property Taxes; other local taxes such as business licenses, restaurant meals taxes, vehicle license fees etc.; Permits, Fees and Licenses; Fines and Forfeitures; Use of Money and Property; Charges for Services; Miscellaneous Revenue and Recovered Costs; Receipts from the State of Virginia and Receipts from the Federal Government. Mr. Goodman noted that the new reassessment would reflect a closer market value of properties.

Discussion was held regarding Council's concerns over the increased costs of the CSA (Child Services Act). Covington is paying approximately \$700 per student whereas other localities are paying \$22. Mayor Sibold requested discussion regarding this inconsistency in funding by localities.

Greg Burton spoke on behalf of the need to replace a 1992 emergency vehicle in the amount of \$238,680. Mr. Goodman responded that this is a very difficult budget year to find funds at this time.

Allen Dressler, Director of Parks and Public Works, noted the situation with the Rayon Bridge which needs to be replaced. The City's cost for this project would be approximately \$444,000. Mr. Dressler also noted the situation with the Hawthorne Street Bridge which is in need of repair and VDOT accepts no responsibility for the material failure.

Mr. Goodman requested another budget work session to be held on Tuesday, April 16, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. instead of the original April 23<sup>rd</sup>.  
No further business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned.

  
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THOMAS H. SIBOLD, JR., MAYOR

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