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CALLED MEETING
JUNE 16, 2020

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A called meeting of the Council for the City of Covington was held on Tuesday, June 16, 2020 at 12:00 Noon in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 333 W. Locust Street, Covington, Virginia.
City Manager: Krystal Onaitis

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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 Edmond J. "Eddie Joe" Entsminger, Councilman Raymond C. Hunter and Councilman S. Allan Tucker.

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The purpose of the meeting was:

1. To consider First Reading of Ordinance O-20-05 regarding Levying Real Estate Taxes and Public Services Taxes for FY 2020/2021 (No change in rate)
2. To consider First Reading of Ordinance O-20-06 regarding Levying Personal Property/Machinery and Tools Taxes for FY 2020/2021 (No change in rate)
3. To consider First Reading of Ordinance O-20-07 Budget Appropriations for FY 2020/2021

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Upon a motion by Mr. Tucker, seconded by Mr. Entsminger, Council voted 5 to 0 to approve, on First Reading, Ordinance O-20-05 regarding Levying Real Estate Taxes and Public Services Taxes for FY 2020/2021. (No change in rate) Mayor Sibold, For; Vice Mayor Crosier, For; Mr. Entsminger, For; Mr. Hunter, For; 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, on First Reading, Ordinance O-20-06 regarding Levying Personal Property/Machinery and Tools Taxes for FY 2020/2021. (No change in rate) Mayor Sibold, For; Vice Mayor Crosier, For; Mr. Entsminger, For; Mr. Hunter, For; Mr. Tucker, For.

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Upon a motion by Vice Mayor Crosier, seconded by Mr. Entsminger, Council voted 5 to 0 to approve, on First Reading, Ordinance O-20-07 Budget Appropriations for FY 2020/2021. Mayor Sibold, For; Vice Mayor Crosier, For; Mr. Entsminger, For; Mr. Hunter, For; Mr. Tucker, For.

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City Manager Onaitis noted that a Public Hearing will need to be held regarding the Omnibus Ordinance related to changes in the City code.

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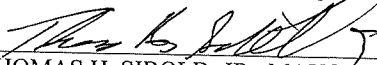
Mayor Sibold opened discussion regarding baseball tournaments that were recently held in Christiansburg. Mr. Entsminger noted requirements limiting spectators. Allen Dressler, Director of Parks and Public Works, presented information and a plan that had been developed to reopen the parks for recreation and the tournaments that would address issues as safely as possible. He also noted the impact of recreation and tourism and requested permission to move forward. Teams are ready to use the fields. Vice Mayor Crosier, "make it happen". Mayor Sibold expressed appreciation for the efforts of Mr. Dressler and Ms. Onaitis and reminded all to keep social distancing and proper hygiene. Upon a motion by Vice Mayor Crosier, seconded by Mr. Entsminger, Council voted 5 to 0 to agree to move forward with restrictions as stated, for all outdoor fields. Mayor Sibold, For; Vice Mayor Crosier, For; Mr. Entsminger, For; Mr. Hunter, For; Mr. Tucker, For.

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

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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