



Newsletter - November 6, 2020

Mayor Justin Hanson



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1st Tuesdays - Public Works Committee
Jeff Morris - Chairman, Minnie Bommer, Danny Wallace

2nd Tuesdays - General Welfare and Public Relations Committee
Minnie Bommer - Chairwoman, Keith Phelps, C.H. Sullivan

3rd Tuesdays - Finance and Administration Committee
C.H. Sullivan - Chairman, All Aldermen/Alderwomen attend

4th Tuesdays - Public Safety Committee
Keith Phelps - Chairman, C.H. Sullivan, Johnetta Yarbrough

All regularly scheduled committee meetings are at 4:00 pm in the Lower Level Conference Room at Covington City Hall at 200 W. Washington St. All Board of Mayor and Aldermen meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday evenings of each month at 5:30 pm in the Board Room on the 2nd floor at Covington City Hall. ALL are open to the public. Official meeting minutes and agendas can be found by visiting www.covingtontn.com.

Public Works Committee Meeting – 11/3/20

Present: Chairman Jeff Morris, Alderman Danny Wallace, Mayor Justin Hanson, Director David Gray, Director Lessie Fisher, Tina Dunn, Nic Shaw, David Gwinn, Rebecca Ray, Calvin Johnson

Public Works Department Report: Director David Gray

LED Street Lighting

- Submitted “Cost of Installing One New Light at a New Location”
- We have approximately 1000 streetlights in our system
- We have purchased 25 lights

USDA Loan Discussion

- Submitted Engineering Feasibility Report
- Submitted cost estimates for paving College, Garland, Bert Johnston, Mark Walker, Herring, Winn, Oakview, Robbins, James, Wortham, and Walters
- Total Construction Estimate - \$1,350,650.30

Update on AMI (Automated Metering Infrastructure) System

- Submitted weekly install summary and Install exception summary

Update on Gasifier

- Discussed temporary permit (30 days)

Fall Street Paving Update – Hope St. and Town Creek are done

Motion made to accept Public Works Report, 2nd, approved

Code Compliance Department Report: Director Lessie Fisher

Mailing out notices referencing Roll Out regulations

Working on updating Historic Design Guidelines

Keep Covington Clutter Free

- Handed out 50 bags of supplies
- Republic Services provided 4 dumpsters throughout City at no charge

Motion made to approve Code Compliance Report, 2nd, approved

There being no further business, meeting is adjourned

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Congratulations to Baker McCool!

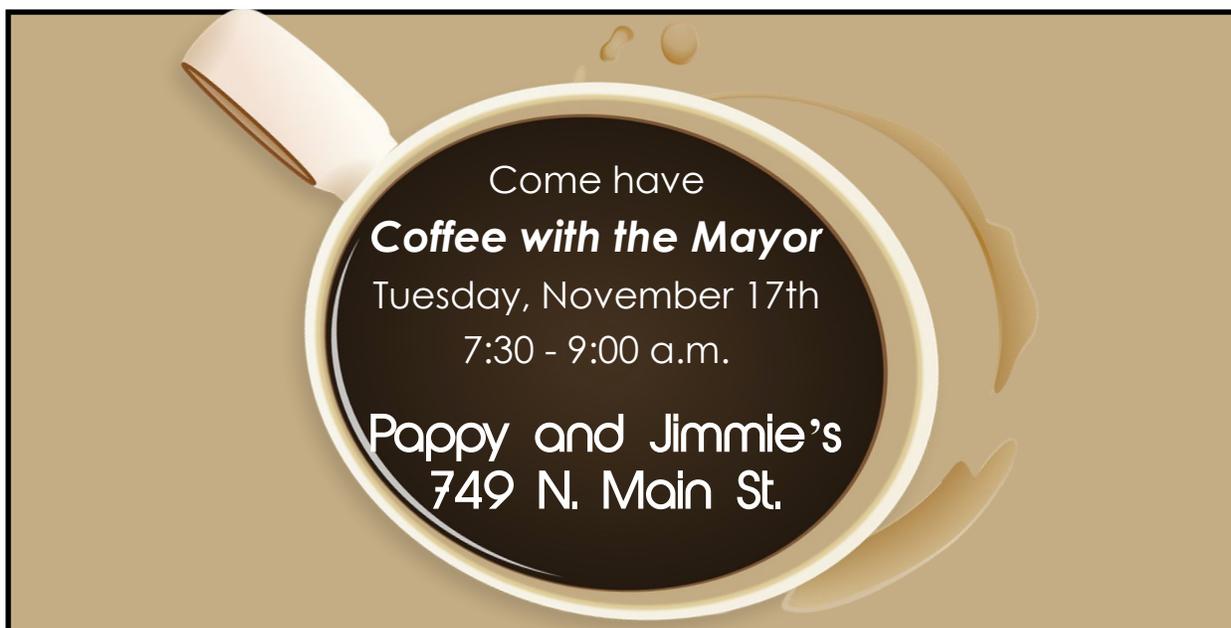
Baker McCool Appointed EMS Program Director at Dyersburg State
Dyersburg, Tennessee – Dyersburg State Community College (DSCC) President Karen Bowyer has announced the appointment of Baker McCool as the College's new emergency medical services (EMS) program director. "Baker is a good example of how Dyersburg State is able to grow its own leaders," stated Dr. Bowyer. "We are fortunate to be able to welcome him back in a leadership role after years of experience and progress in the field of emergency response." As director, McCool will oversee all academic, personnel and budget responsibilities in the EMS program. He will assist with EMS instruction; work with EMS faculty to meet program needs; and provide oversight for classroom lectures, labs and clinicals. "Baker is a public servant through and through," stated Dr. Jan Reid-Bunch, vice president for the college. "He has contributed significantly to the field of emergency response not only in Tipton County, but also as an adjunct instructor at DSCC. As a director, he will enhance the quality of our EMS program which will in ensure that our EMS program continues its tradition of excellence."

McCool has served the citizens of Tipton County in the field of EMS since 2010. His experience in EMS includes four years working on call for Medic One Medical Response; two years as an adjunct instructor for DSCC's EMS programs; and 10 years as a lieutenant firefighter paramedic for the Covington Fire Department.

During his time as an adjunct at DSCC, he delivered lectures in the classroom; ran the hands-on lab skills portion of courses; and served in the field at hospitals as a clinical preceptor. Additionally, he became a Certified Electrocardiogram Technician (CET) through the National Healthcareer Association (NHA) and taught the Introduction to EKG courses at DSCC. While working at the Covington Fire Department, McCool developed and led the Advanced Life Support service and served as the lead EMS training officer since 2016. As training officer, he was responsible for managing continuing education credits (CEUs); the program curriculum; and supplies for the department's paramedics and Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT) personnel.

He earned a bachelor's degree in Landscape Architecture in 2003 from Mississippi State University and a Paramedic Technical Certificate from DSCC in 2016.

McCool can be reached at 901-475-3189 or jmccool1@dsc.edu.





Theo and Roe's Ice Cream Parlor and South Tipton County Chamber of Commerce celebrated a 2-year milestone with a ribbon cutting today! We are so proud of this business and remind you to please **SHOP LOCAL!**

support local.



On Thursday night, Covington's downtown merchants kicked off the Christmas season with their annual Jingle & Mingle and Christmas Open House. This event was well attended and all the shops were decorated beautifully! Christmas Open House continues today (Friday) 10-6 and Saturday 10-5.

Please support our local businesses! The money you spend right here in Covington, stays right here in Covington!

JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL
Jingle & Mingle
THURSDAY, NOV. 5TH
5 P.M. TILL 8 P.M.
CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE
FRIDAY, NOV. 6th, 10-6
SATURDAY, NOV. 7th 10-5
HISTORIC COVINGTON SQUARE

2021



JUNIOR GRIZZLIES

Coaches Receive
Memphis Grizzlies Tickets*

Players Receive A Signed
Certificate From a Grizzlies Player
& Game Tickets To
Attend Grizzlies Night*

If COVID Regulations will Allow

Signups have begun

Ages 5-18 \$55

Middle School (12-13 y/o) & High School (14-18 y/o) Team Fee \$450



SCAN ME



MS/HS Grabs
your friends and
form a team!!

Max 10 Players per
MS or HS Age Team

901-476-3734

**Teams WILL BE ALLOWED
for Middle School & High School aged
players only!!**

****Individual Players signed up
in MS or HS group will be assigned
to teams or you will be placed on a team****



Covington Rotary is Collecting



SWEET POTATOES

PLEASE DONATE A CAN OF SWEET POTATOES FOR THANKGIVING
BASKETS FOR CARL PERKINS CENTER FAMILIES

**Drop Boxes are located at the Covington Sportsplex,
Bancorp South, and The Leader office.**





TIPTON COUNTY
MUSEUM
VETERANS MEMORIAL
NATURE CENTER



The Tipton County Museum

Presents

The Nature Connection
Why Leaves Change Colors

November 2020

After a spring and summer of shades of green leaves, the reds, oranges and yellows of fall are a welcome change. Have you ever wondered why the leaves change color? Leaves produce a substance called chlorophyll which needs sunlight and warmth for a plant to produce it. When fall's cooler



weather and shorter days arrive, production of chlorophyll slows down and then stops. Chlorophyll is what makes the leaves green. Once the leaf isn't producing the green coloration, the red, yellow and orange colors that are in the leaves can come through.

How long do the beautiful colors last? The length of the fall colors depends upon the temperature, light, and water supply. The best time to enjoy the beautiful fall colors in on a clear, dry, cool day.

The Tipton County Museum
751 Bert Johnston Avenue, Covington, TN 38019
(901) 476-0242



The Tipton County Museum presents
Snowman Porch Leaner
Virtual Worskshop
With
Cathy Kinney



Tipton County Artist and owner of Create-Paint-Repeat, Cathy Kinney will lead you step by step in creating this fun and colorful snowman porch leaner, just in time for the holidays! Supply list and template will be provided upon registration.



When: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 2—4 p.m.
(Program ends Monday, November 30.)
Where: facebook live
Fee: \$40 Museum Members, \$55 Non members

Sign up at www.tiptoncountymuseum.com
751 Bert Johnston Ave., Covington, TN 38019
(901) 476-0242



The Tipton County Museum Presents

**The Painted
Christmas Card**

Virtual Workshop with **Barrie Foster**



Grab your paints and cardstock and join us for a fun filled morning of creating beautiful Christmas cards! Artist Barrie Foster will guide you in painting the cards in watercolor, although you may paint in the medium of your choice. Six designs will be covered, and templates and supply list will be provided upon registration. This is the perfect family activity! Preregistration is required.

When: Saturday, November 7, 2020, 10 a.m. until noon

(Program ends Monday, November 30.)

Where: facebook live

Fee: \$15 for person or portal

Signup at www.tiptoncountymuseum.com



The Tipton County Museum
751 Bert Johnston Ave., Covington, TN 38019
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www.tiptoncountymuseum.com

FREE FLU SHOT EVENT NOVEMBER 19, 2020

Special **FREE** flu shot event through local health departments in Tennessee

Time:

9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Location

Covington Assembly of God
1861 US. Hwy 51 South
Covington, TN 38019

Protect yourself.
Protect your loved ones.
Protect your entire community.



www.tn.gov/health/FightFlu



Department of
Health



Congratulations to the CHS Cross Country Team on a great season and a great showing at the State Competition! On Wednesday our city sent the team off like only Covington can, with a parade around the Square!

The men's team finished in 19th place, 3 places up from last year! Maliyah Gilliam and Tia Crider also finished very well. We are so proud of our Chargers!



Announcing the 2020 Virtual 5K/10K Run! Sponsored by King Cotton Ford

The race will take place over the weekend of November 13-15, 2020. Run or walk wherever you are - no matter what state or country - at any time throughout the weekend! Competitors may submit times via our website at golucygo.org and virtual awards will be given for best times in age/gender categories! Not a runner or walker? Join us in spirit as a **Spirit Runner**. All participants/registrants will receive a commemorative race T-shirt! More information is available on our website, but **REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN.**

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER!](#)

The 5K is \$25; 10K is \$35; and the Kids Fun Run is \$15. All proceeds from this race will help Go Lucy Go continue the mission of helping families facing a medical crisis.

Let's RACE!



South Tipton County Chamber of Commerce honored our veterans during First Friday Coffee at Atoka City Hall on Friday. Tipton County Veterans Service Officer Guy Critelli informed those in attendance of the many services offered to our Tipton County Veterans. Thank you to all our veterans for your service to our country. We appreciate you!



Dyersburg State Jimmy Naifeh Center Veterans Day Ceremony
Wednesday, November 11, 2020 - 12:00 pm

Covington Christmas Parade

December 14, 2020 - 7pm

(Rain Date - December 15, 2020)



- Covington Christmas Parade Participant Forms must be completed and received by the City of Covington no later than noon, December 11th. Parade night check-in begins at 5:30 pm on South College in front of the Covington High School Athletic Field. Further directions will be given after check in. All floats must be in line by 6:15. Everyone must be lined up and ready to go by 6:45pm.
- All parade entries must be Christmas related and decorated with a Christmas theme.
- All participants must keep moving at a slow pace. Marching bands will be placed throughout the parade line up and will be allowed to stop moving during the parade to perform.
- Absolutely NO horses or horse drawn wagons will be allowed.
- Absolutely NO offensive music. All music must be Christmas music.
- The City of Covington Santa will ride atop a Covington Fire Department ladder truck and will be the only Santa allowed to ride in the parade.
- Due to safety issues, no candy will be allowed to be thrown from parade entries.
- We ask that all parade participants follow the safety guidelines set for COVID-19. Dramatic increases in COVID active cases may determine if the parade takes place. Should numbers continue to rise; a decision to cancel the parade will be made closer to the parade date.

PARADE ROUTE

Parade night check-in begins at 5:30pm on South College Street in front of the Covington High School Athletic Field. The Parade will begin headed North on College Street to Sherrod, at the 4-Way Stop, turn East on Sherrod to Main, North on Main to Court Square, around Square to Liberty, West on Liberty to College, South on College and will disband from Covington High School.

COVINGTON CHRISTMAS PARADE
DECEMBER 14, 2020

PARTICIPANT FORM
(Please Print)



Name of Organization or Business: _____

Contact Person: _____

Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Type of Entry:

Float: _____

Walking Group: _____

Band: _____

Other: _____

This form must be returned by noon, December 11th.

Return to:
Karen Griffin
City of Covington
100 West Washington Avenue
Covington TN 38019
901-475-7139
Fax: 901-475-0213
Email: kgriffin@covingtontn.com



DSCC Phi Theta Kappa Accepting Items for COVID Relief Drive

Dyersburg, Tennessee – The Alpha Epsilon Alpha Chapter of the Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) Honor Society at Dyersburg State Community College (DSCC) will host a COVID Relief Drive at both the Dyersburg campus and the Jimmy Naifeh Center (JNC) at Tipton County in January 2021. Packages will consist of self-care items to assist those who are quarantined or who have tested positive for COVID-19. Those that wish to pick up items in January are asked to email Dr. Brigham Scallion, PTK faculty advisor, at scallion@dsc.edu with their name and whether they prefer to pick up items at the Dyersburg campus or the JNC.

Those wanting to donate to the Relief Drive are asked to purchase items through the Chapter’s online Amazon wish list at <https://amzn.to/2TKfj8y>. PTK will also accept monetary donations to assist with purchasing the items by contributing at <https://www.dsc.edu/node/6981>. Under the “gift designation” section, select “other” and at the bottom of the form, specify “PTK Relief Drive.”

If contributing through Amazon, the College encourages donors to sign in through Amazon Smile at <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/62-1378726>. This will ensure that a portion of everything purchased will be donated to DSCC to support programs and scholarships for students.

For more information regarding the relief drive, contact Dr. Scallion at 901-475-3119 or scallion@dsc.edu.



Dyersburg State JNC to Hold Veterans Day Ceremony

Dyersburg, Tennessee – Dyersburg State Community College (DSCC) will hold a Veterans Day Ceremony at the Jimmy Naifeh Center (JNC) at Tipton County Nov. 11 at 12 p.m. The event will be held outside in front of the Jimmy Naifeh Building. In case of rain, the event will be moved inside the Baptist Memorial Health Care Academic Building. Guest speaker will be Dan Quinn, post commander for American Legion Post 237 in Covington.

Quinn, born and raised in Richmond, Kentucky, graduated from Madison Central High School in 1978 and attended Eastern Kentucky University before enlisting in the United States Navy in 1980. During his 30-year career, he was stationed on nine different Sea Duty commands and had shore tours as a recruiter, instructor and as an afloat trainer before retiring in 2010. Currently, Quinn serves as a member of the Covington-Tipton County Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. He served three years as a post commander of Tipton County’s Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4840, which was recognized as an All-American Post in 2016. He has also served as vice-chairman of the Tipton County Veterans Council.

The community is invited to attend the ceremony. Face masks and social distancing will be required. For more information, contact Erin Smith, director of student life, at 901-475-3166 or ecsmith@dsc.edu.



if you
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something
SAY
something™

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In an emergency dial 9-1-1



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A Structure Fire in Tennessee Takes a Life

WHAT FUELS YOUR FIRE?



Be a Guardian of Your Community.

Do you have an announcement that you would like to include in our newsletter? Click [HERE](#) to email your info to Rebecca Ray!

BE A COVINGTON VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER
www.VolunteerFireTN.org
1-844-Vol-Tenn (1-844-865-8366)

