



Newsletter - October 30, 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 Safety Committee Meeting – 10/27/20

Present via Virtual Meeting – Chairman Keith Phelps, Alderman CH Sullivan, Alderwoman Johnetta Yarbrough, Alderman Jeff Morris, Alderman Danny Wallace, Mayor Justin Hanson, Chief Richard Griggs, Chief Larry Lindsey, Jack Howell, Lessie Fisher, Tina Dunn, Rebecca Ray

Covington Fire Department – Chief Richard Griggs

Community Events

- Fire Prevention 2020, distributed material to all schools, 2000+ fire hats, activity books, crayons, and badges.
- Participated in a Parade for Covington schools

Volunteer Hours – 125 for September

Run Report submitted – September 17-October 22

County coverage area collection - \$79,795.00

National Registry EMS Test Prep will be held at the fire department October 27th and 29th at 6pm

Personnel Report

- Matt Massy and Nick Tindall submitted documents to test for the vacant Lieutenant position
- Assessment will be conduct 11/5
- Driver position open until October 23rd
- Vacant Firefighter position – 6 applicants, 3 certified, 3 non-certified

Ventilation System Update

- Submitted proposals
- Motion made to accept the Magnagrip proposal, 2nd, roll call, so moved

Forestry Grant Award – Included fire rated jumpsuits, gloves, and wildfire tools

Training

- Matthew Gardiner, Confined Space Technician
- Cody Faulk and Nick Tindall completed Trench Rescue Technician
- Jeremy Channell completed week one of Fire Officer 4
- Kit Burrow completed Fire Officer 3
- Attended Annual Fire Chiefs Conference October 10th - 13th

CARE Report – Free smoke alarms, call 901-476-2578 to schedule

Motion made to accept and adopt Fire Chief's report, 2nd, roll call, so moved

Covington Police Department – Chief Larry Lindsey

Chief Lindsey gave update on TEMA grant. Not much change in progress yet. Will give info as soon as he gets it.

Personnel

- Hired 7 officers in last 30 days
- Non-certified officers will begin Memphis Police Academy January 3, 2021

Stats

- Submitted stats report and call totals from January 2020-December 2020
- Discussed categories adjustments which makes report look different than before
- Discussed flock cameras and how effective they have been so far
- Including other agencies, we have access to 200 flock cameras

Motion made to accept Chief Lindsey's report, 2nd, roll call, so moved

There being no further business, meeting is adjourned

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HALLOWEEN FIRE SAFETY TIPS

- Use a battery-operated candle or glow stick in jack-o-lanterns.
- Keep all decorations away from open flames & other heat sources like lightbulbs & heaters.
- Teach children to stay away from open flames including jack-o-lanterns with candles in them.
- Remember to keep exits clear of decorations so nothing blocks escape routes.

ONLINE FAMILY TRIVIA NIGHT HOCUS POCUS TRIVIA

Think you know everything there is to know about the movie Hocus Pocus? Then join us our Facebook Page and test your knowledge. Play as an individual, or as a group.

[facebook.com/tiptoncountylibrary](https://www.facebook.com/tiptoncountylibrary)



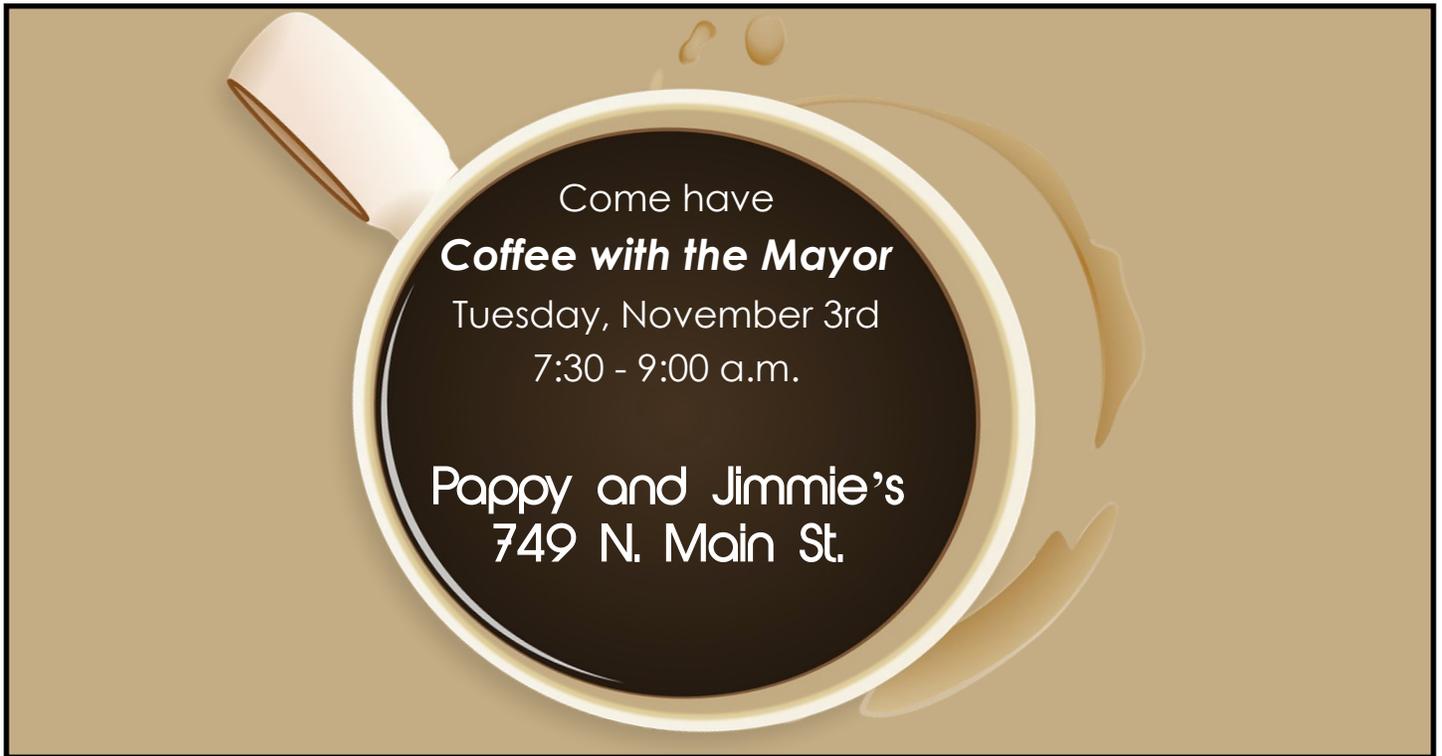
Part 1 OCT. 30, 2020 @ 7:00 PM
Part 2 OCT. 31, 2020 @ 7:00 PM

WORKS ALL SEASON LONG.



Daylight Saving Time ends Sunday, November 1st at 2 AM.
Be sure to set your clocks back one hour and change the batteries in your smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors.

To learn more, visit tn.gov/commerce.



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!



if you
SEE
something
SAY
something™

**REPORT SUSPICIOUS
ACTIVITY** to Covington Police

Call 901-475-1261 or 901-475-4300

In an emergency dial 9-1-1

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 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
(901) 476-0242
www.tiptoncountymuseum.com



The Tipton County Museum presents

Snowman Porch Leaner Virtual Workshop

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

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Keep Covington Clutter Free 2020 - COVID Style!

Keep Covington Clutter Free (formerly Clean Up/Fix Up) looks a little different this year due to COVID-19. This year we are asking you to adopt a block, put the garbage you collect in bags at the curb, and it will be picked up free for charge 10/24-10/31. Garbage bags, free shirts, and litter grabbers will be available in the Codes office at City Hall starting 10/8/20.

Please send pictures of your volunteerism to CodeCompliance@covingtontn.com along with your name, phone #, and email. Only the pictures and names will be posted on our social media pages. Or, drop your photos off at City Hall. Your pictures will be entered into a drawing for prizes.

Let's work together to Keep Covington Clutter Free!



**2020
SCARE ON THE SQUARE**



The Covington High Charger Boys Cross Country Team, Tia Crider, and MaLiyah Gilliam are headed to State! Tia and MaLiyah will represent the Girls Cross Country Team. Congratulations to all of these athletes on a job well done!



Congratulations to Evangelist Dr. Nelson Luster, Jr. on celebrating forty years in ministry at Hatchie Church of Christ in Covington! Pastor Luster, his family, and church members held a drive-thru celebration last Saturday. Mayor Justin Hanson joined Vice-Mayor Johnetta Yarbrough in presenting Pastor Luster a proclamation in recognition of his years of faithful service. In 1999, Drs. Luster and Jesse Cannon joined others from the church in dedicating their new facility on Highway 51, where worship is still held. The original church was housed on Hatchie Street.





We congratulate Parkway Cove Assistant Living and Wildflowers Florist and Gift Boutique for their Covington-Tipton Chamber of Commerce Ribbon Cuttings this week! Parkway Cove has opened their new facility and Wildflowers has relocated their business to the Historic Square. We LOVE our local businesses and ask you to continue to support them!

support local.



Covington Police Department would like to say a big "Thank You!" to First Presbyterian Church for the awesome poster and sweet treats delivered to the department this week! We appreciate all the support shown to us by our community!

JOB POSTING: Full-Time Public Health Educator 2

THE TIPTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
IS HIRING A FULL-TIME PUBLIC HEALTH EDUCATOR 2

*Interested applicants may contact the
Tipton County Health Department (901) 476- 0235 or
email demetra.pickett@tn.gov
October 21, 2020 - November 3, 2020*



Stay fire-safe when you travel.

Choose a hotel protected by both smoke alarms and fire sprinklers.



Photo Credit: Andrew Diffee Tennessee Department of Commerce and Insurance

EVERY 4.5 days
A Structure Fire in Tennessee Takes a Life

WHAT FUELS YOUR FIRE?

Be a Guardian of Your Community.

BE A COVINGTON VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER

www.VolunteerFireTN.org
1-844-Vol-Tenn (1-844-865-8366)

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





Having an Event?

One of the first steps for anyone wishing to have an event within the City of Covington, on any City property, is to pick up an Events & Facilities Usage Application at the Covington Civic Center, complete that application and get that application back to the Special Events Committee for review. The next step is to come before the committee for any necessary event discussion. The Special Events Committee meets the first Thursday each month, at 10:00am, at the Covington Civic Center, 100 West Washington Avenue.

Applications must be filed not less than sixty (60) days prior to the proposed event dates.

For questions or information, please contact the City of Covington Events Coordinator, Karen Griffin, at 100 West Washington Avenue.

901.475.7139

kgriffin@covingtontn.com



COVINGTON CIVIC CENTER

Stay up to date on upcoming events
at the Civic Center!

Visit our [Facebook Page](#)

or

Visit our [Website!](#)

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:
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