

Covington – Living, Learning, Working Together

Mayor Justin Hanson

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Public Works Committee - 1st Tuesday

Chairperson Danny Wallace, Jeff Morris, Johnetta Yarbrough

General Welfare/Public Relations Committee - 2nd Tuesday

Chairperson Jeff Morris, CH Sullivan, John Edwards

Finance and Administration Committee - 3rd Tuesday

Chairperson CH Sullivan, All Board Members

Public Safety Committee - 4th Tuesday

Chairperson Johnetta Yarbrough, Chris Richardson, CH Sullivan

All Committee meetings are held on Tuesdays at 4:00 p.m.

Official meeting minutes and agendas can be found by visiting www.covingtontn.com.

Public Safety Committee Meeting - 3/23/21

Present via Virtual Meeting - Chairperson Johnetta Yarbrough, Aldermen CH Sullivan, Chris Richardson, Jeff Morris, John Edwards, and Danny Wallace. Mayor Justin Hanson, Directors Tina Dunn, Lessie Fisher, David Gray, Chief Larry Lindsey, Chief Richard Griggs. Captain Jack Howell, Rebecca Ray

Covington Police Department Report - Chief Larry Lindsey

Personnel

- Made conditional offers to five certified officers. Three will begin 3/22 and remaining two will begin within a few weeks
- Officer Bohnert graduating from TLETA (TN Law Enforcement Training Academy) 3/26 and Officer Isbell will begin TLETA 3/28

Policy Update

- Updating Department policies using model of Eric Daigle Law Group to align with our agency
- According to City Charter, the Board does not need to adopt new policies by ordinance, but by resolution
- Moving forward, all additional policies will be presented to the Board before publication
- Alderman Sullivan motioned to bring resolution to full Board for approval, Mayor 2nd, roll call taken, so moved

Training

- Chief Lindsey and Capt. Howell attended training on Contemporary Legal Issues and Supervisory Liability
- Discussed policy regarding possible civil rights violations when emergency room staff asks department to intervene

Homicide

- Detectives issued warrant for 1st Degree Murder in the homicide on March 11th. Suspect presently at large, Chief discussed the great work officers did to quickly locate and interview persons of interest and identify a suspect

Crime Stats

- Calls for service: January 892, February 997
- Submitted Crime Stats Report

Mayor motioned to accept Chief Lindsey's report, Alderman Richardson 2nd, roll call taken, so moved

Covington Fire Department Report - Chief Richard Griggs

Community Events: Farm Bureau Board Meeting to discuss burn permits and grain bin rescue class

Volunteer Hours: 24 for the month of February

Submitted Run Report for February 18-March 24, 188 calls

County coverage area collections to date for 2021: \$79,202

Personnel is at full staff

Budget Request:

- Discussed changes in 20 year span of fire department and needs of current department
- Requesting 3 additional personnel, vehicle, and floor refinished

Inservice Training: EMS refresher, railcar, SIDS prevention, and CPR

Grain bin rescue class postponed. Grain bin companies have purchased rescue tools for class, donated to fire department

Care Report - Free Smoke Alarms

Volunteer Firefighter Orientation will be April 1st at Station One

- 27 current applications

Alderman Sullivan made motion to accept report, Alderman Richardson 2nd, roll call taken, so moved

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned

Committee meetings are at 4:00 pm in the Lower Level Conference Room at Covington City Hall. 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.

Due to COVID-19, all public meetings are being held virtually. If you would like the link to join virtually, please email rgray@covingtontn.com. City Board meetings are also live-streamed on our [Website](#) and [Facebook page](#).



COVID-19 UPDATES

The Health Department will be offering some extended COVID Vaccine Hours over the next week to better accommodate individuals who may not be able to come during normal business hours.

Tipton County Health Department New Extended COVID Vaccine Hours at Cobb Parr Park:

Starting March 22 - April 2, 2021

Tuesday Morning 7:00 - 8:00am

Wednesday Evening 4:30 - 7:00pm

**CALL 1-866-442-5301 TO REQUEST AN APPOINTMENT
OR REGISTER ONLINE AT [COVID19.tn.gov](https://www.COVID19.tn.gov)**



Mayor Hanson received the Johnson and Johnson vaccine Wednesday at Canaan Baptist Church. Thanks to Baptist Tipton and both Greater St. John and Canaan Baptist, we've had two successful vaccine drives separate from those being administered at Cobb-Parr Park. Beginning Saturday, April 10 and continuing every Saturday through July 1, the Johnson and Johnson vaccine will be administered in a parking lot drive-thru at the DSCC Jimmy Naifeh Center from 9AM – 2PM. Remember, J and J is a one shot only vaccine.

Just as a reminder, any Tennessean (age-restricted) is now eligible to be vaccinated. In the counties where the Pfizer vaccine is available, vaccinations will begin for anyone age 16 and older. If you prefer the Moderna vaccine, it is still available as well, but you must be 18 and older to receive it. The Tipton County Health Department is currently dispensing the Pfizer vaccine as of Monday 3/22/21. There are now options for any of the top three vaccines (Moderna, Pfizer, and Johnson & Johnson) in Tipton County. COVID-19 vaccinations also continue here at Cobb-Parr Park in Covington. Call 1-866-442-5301 to make an appointment. Also, visit www.vaccinefinder.org to find the vaccine you would like to receive and also check on its availability.



COVINGTON PARKS & RECREATION

**Register
Online**



*** Ages 5-12
Games start July**

\$55

*** High School*
Ages 13-17**

**Bring your own Team!
Games start June**

\$450



**476-3734
Scholarships
Available**

Games Played on Monday Nights

<http://www.covingtontn.com/covington-youth-sports.html>



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GET FIT AND GIVE BACK
APRIL 1, 2021 9:00 AM - NOON

Supplies can be picked up at Covington City Hall, Covington Sportsplex, the City Maintenance Shop (410 E. Ripley St.)



and now for some **GOOD NEWS**



The City of Covington's economy continues to remain strong and resilient! We've just received our January local option sales tax report. Month-to-date sales are up 25%, or \$70,842. Year-to-date sales are also up 13.3%, or \$297,227. We say it often, but it remains so true! Please continue to do your part and [#shoplocal!](#) The money you spend here really does stay here! We have such a wonderful business community filled with business owners and employees who are looking for YOU to come and shop local! Hope to see you soon!

It is always a treat when our Covington High Chargers come by the office for a visit! We talked about everything from athletics and academics to career goals and good decision-making. Spring training and practice are happening now and Friday night lights will be here before we know it! Charger football begins Thursday, August 19th at 7PM at Munford High School. **GO CHARGERS!**



Mayor Hanson, Vice Mayor Johnetta Yarbrough, and Alderman Danny Wallace were able to get a sneak peek at the new Naifeh's Cash Saver location at 951 Hwy. 51 North here in Covington! Thanks Judson Naifeh and Dana Naifeh for your time today!! Crews are working hard to get ready for the opening of the newly renovated store. Doors will be open at 10AM Wednesday, March 31. The official store grand opening is set for May 5, which happens to be Mr. Oney Naifeh's birthday! For over one hundred years, the Naifeh's have been feeding our community and we are grateful to see this multi-million dollar expansion!



COVINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT



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Marcy's Law for TN awarded Chief Larry Lindsey of the Covington Police Department with the Champion of Victims' Rights Award. Chief Lindsey is unwavering in his commitment to advancing victims' rights. Thank you for your passion!

To learn more about Marcy's Law and how you can get involved visit marsyslawfortn.com.

This week, two new officers were sworn in to the Covington Police Department by Chief Larry Lindsey. We would like to congratulate the department's newest officers, Ofc. Tori Mills and Ofc. Josh Lewis. Welcome aboard and thanks for your service. We look forward to serving alongside you!



Support LOCAL

THE CARL PERKINS CENTER

JOIN OUR CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH EASTER EGG HUNT

APRIL 1ST - APRIL 15TH

EGG SIGNS WILL BE SPREAD THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITY

Take a car ride around town and see how many "egg signs" you can find. Take a picture and tag Tipton County Carl Perkins Center on Facebook.

SUPPORT LOCAL BUSINESSES

 **GET IT TO GO**
Order from local restaurants via delivery service, to-go or curbside pick up

 **BUY IN ADVANCE**
Purchase gift cards or book services from local businesses to use in the future

 **SHOP ONLINE**
Support your local businesses by purchasing online

Carl Perkins Center Easter Egg Hunt Clues

10 yard signs will be "hidden" throughout Atoka, Brighton, Covington, & Munford

This place is the home of a "Hall" you can't walk down that is on a street with a president's name.

Now think of the first hospital in Tipton County and currently is the place known for the signer/song writer who wrote Blue Suede Shoes.

With your club you will yell FFOOOUUURRRR! Go to where the Greens are looking good.

Flowers are in full bloom and it is time to get mulch. I hope the egg doesn't get planted here.

Family owned delicious southern style home cooking is the restaurant where you can find this egg.

Get your Caboose to the end of the line is where you can find the next hidden egg.

To find your next egg we are splish-splashing all summer long.

The building where the big clock overlooks the town is where this egg is.

This family owned auto parts store has been a staple in this community for 45 years.

Love is in the air all the time at the Park.

WILD HORSES GARTH TRIBUTE

 **RUFFIN**
113 W. Pleasant Ave. Covington, TN 38019
PRESENTS

WILD HORSES

Garth Brooks Tribute Band

"The Closest You Can Get To A Live GARTH BROOKS Concert Of The 90's"

"Wild Horses Is A High Energy Band That Takes You Back To Garth's Hay Day"

TICKETS \$10

Saturday March 27th @ 7pm

YOGA IN THE PARK

FRIDAY, MARCH 26 5PM-6PM @ COBB PARR PARK COVINGTON

Come participate in YOGA with the UT Extension
And the Parks & Recreation staff. We will have
Free smoothies and other goodies for take home!
The Event is open to all ages.

FREE

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#Tiptonourhatstoreallifesolutions
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#RealLife SolutionsWesternReg
#CovingtonParksRecreation

For more information call
901-476-0231



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**Youth
SOCCER
CAMP**

**SATURDAY
APRIL 3**

MORNING SESSION
BOYS & GIRLS
AGES 4-10
9AM-11:30AM

AFTERNOON SESSION
BOYS & GIRLS
AGES 11-17
1PM-3:30PM

\$20
REGISTRATION
HELD AT BALTZER FIELD
COVINGTON, TN

SPRING BREAK CAMPS

MARCH 29-APRIL 2

Ages 7-15



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March 29 – April 2

12pm – 1pm	LEVEL 1	5-8 yr olds
1pm – 2pm	LEVEL 2	7 yrs - up

For more information Call
901-476-3734

Register online

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<http://www.covingtontn.com/swimming-lessons.html>

COVINGTON AQUATIC CENTER





Covington Gridiron Association's "Tackle the Tee Box" Golf Tournament

Friday April 30th 2021

Covington Country Club

Tee off at 1pm - Registration starts at noon

Scramble Format

\$300/Team

Checks Payable to:

Covington Gridiron Association

PO BOX 501 Covington, TN 38019

Team Member #1

Name_____

Cart Y / N

Team Member # 3

Name_____

Cart Y / N

Team Member # 2

Name_____

Cart Y / N

Team Member # 4

Name_____

Cart Y / N

Contact Logan Wall with any questions or to sign up.

WallL@HelenaAgri.com / 901-356-1023



Covington Gridiron Association's *"Tackle the Tee Box"* Golf Tournament

Friday April 30th 2021

Covington Country Club

Sponsorship Opportunities

Checks Payable to:

Covington Gridiron Association

PO BOX 501 Covington, TN 38019

Meal Sponsor \$500

Name _____

Putting Contest Sponsor \$200

Name _____

Team Sponsor \$300

Name _____

Hole Sponsor \$100

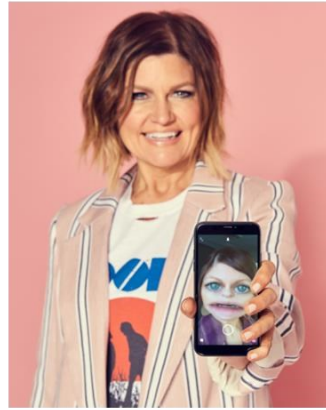
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Covington Gridiron Association is a 501(c) (3) organization. All contributions are tax deductible. EIN: 62-1554875

Save the Date



The Carl Perkins Center Presents

Heather Land: I Ain't Doin It

Social Media Star/Comedienne

Date: May 22, 2021

Time: Two Shows 1:00pm & 4:00pm

Location: The Ruffin Theater

133 West Pleasant Ave, Covington

Proceeds to Benefit

The Exchange Club Carl Perkins Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse

SPRING MINI USED BOOK SALE

Sidewalk sale outside the Library entrance, in case of rain the sale will be moved inside. DSCC is requiring masks to be worn on campus.

**SATURDAY
APRIL 17, 2021**



**Book Sale Hours:
10:00 AM-1:00 PM**

or, until we sell out of books

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Tuesday, March 30th
7:30 - 9:00 a.m.

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