



Covington – Living, Learning, Working Together
Newsletter - February 5, 2021

Mayor Justin Hanson



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Public Works Committee

Chairperson Danny Wallace, Jeff Morris, Johnetta Yarbrough

General Welfare/Public Relations Committee

Chairperson Jeff Morris, CH Sullivan, John Edwards

Finance and Administration Committee

Chairperson CH Sullivan, All Board Members

Public Safety Committee

Chairperson Johnetta Yarbrough, Chris Richardson, CH Sullivan

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

Public Works Committee Meeting - 02/02/21

Present via Virtual Meeting - Chairman Danny Wallace, Aldermen Jeff Morris, John Edwards, Johnetta Yarbrough, Chris Richardson, and CH Sullivan. Mayor Justin Hanson, Directors David Gray, Lessie Fisher, and Tina Dunn. Scottie Delashmit (Tipton Co. Court Administrator), Rebecca Ray, Echo Day

Addition to Agenda: Scottie Delashmit with Tipton County Courts stated that the Fraternal Order of Police are working with Senator Paul Rose and Representative Debra Moody to get a memorial sign placed in memory of Deputy Ricky Rose who died in the line of duty in 1989. Mr. Delashmit is requesting a Proclamation from the City of Covington. Motion was made to move forward with the Proclamation, 2nd, roll call, so moved.

Covington Public Works Department Report - Director David Gray

Preliminary Audit Utilities Report

- Discussion regarding this audit
- Mayor Hanson commended Director Gray on his great management of funds in his department

Request from Smithville Trailer Park

- Director Gray wanted to bring to this Committee's attention that he received a request from Smithville Trailer Park to take over their water system and billing instead of being only responsible for the master meter. This is not allowed under the municipal code.

LED Street Lighting

- PATH LED Lighting would like to come do a presentation
- Director Gray explained when lights would be replaced and costs vs. savings
- Alderwoman Yarbrough made motion to invite PATH to do presentation, 2nd, discussion, roll call, so moved

Update on Sink Hole at South Fire Station

- Sink hole has stayed about the same
- Portland company to come and camera the line

Code Compliance Department - Director Lessie Fisher

Naifeh's Cash Saver renovations underway

Family Dollar Certificate of Occupancy has been issued, opening in February

Jack's Family Restaurant - site work has started

Dollar General has been renovated

Motion made to accept Director Fisher's report, 2nd, roll call, so moved

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned

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.

Please note: 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](#).



9th Annual Chocolate Tour

— Tour Downtown Covington —
while tasting some delicious chocolate treats.

Saturday, February 6th
10am-4pm

SHOP • INDULGE
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Join us for our 9th Annual Chocolate Tour!

Visit your favorite downtown shops
and find the perfect gift for your
Valentine, as you enjoy individually
wrapped, unique chocolate treats.

For further details call 901-476-9727

Tickets:

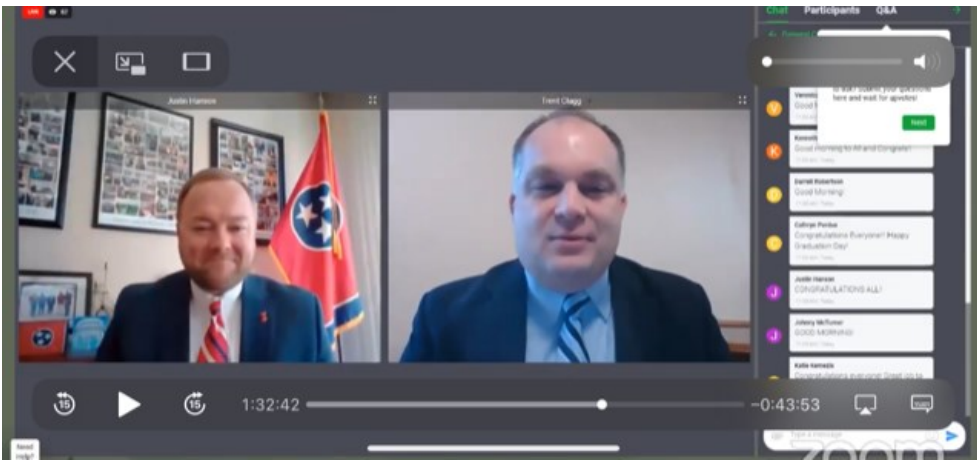
\$8 Advanced - \$10 Day of Event



Support
LOCAL

We have some exciting news to share regarding our local sales tax figures! The local option sales tax numbers are in for the month of November 2020, and for the City of Covington they are UP 11.9% or \$39,966! Year-to-date sales are UP 12.8% or \$198,611!

These numbers are directly related to YOU shopping locally and supporting Covington businesses. Please continue to safely shop locally! We'll be looking for you!



Congratulations to Mayor Justin Hanson on his graduation from the Naifeh Center for Effective Leadership’s 2020 Certified Public Manager class! Mayor Hanson was chosen by his class as a representative to speak during the online graduation ceremony. The keynote speaker was University of Tennessee alumnus Lang Wiseman, Deputy to the Governor and Chief Counsel. Each member of the 2020 class put in over 300 hours of work and accomplished so much while navigating through the pandemic. Congrats, Class of 2020! And Mayor Hanson, we are proud of you!



Congratulations
Graduates!

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| Leslie Acerra | Lisa Hanner | Bridget Roberts |
| Ricky Bailey | Justin Hanson | Darrell Robertson |
| Kenneth Blue | Cindy Hobbs | Ben Rodgers |
| Joe Bowers | Elisha Hodge | Emily Rozar |
| Marshall Boyd | Jenny Holden | Jennifer Sanchez |
| Gina Burchfiel | Jill Holland | Kelsey Schweitzer |
| Veronica Clark | Erin Keafer | Tom Seay |
| Bobby Daniels | Katie Kemezis | Mark Shipley |
| Scott Denton | Todd Kennedy | Mollie Stanfill |
| Ashley Dirks | Jeff Lindsey | Tanya Washington |
| Regina Dobbins | Addam McCormick | |
| Mike Dobis | Johnny McTurner | |
| Brandon Elkins | Donna Nelson | |
| Ariel Evans | Johanna Owenby | |
| Stacey Ewell | Cathryn Perdue | |
| Wes Fernandez | Will Porter | |
| Mike Galey | Sheila Pounder | |
| Robert Gribble | Jim Purviance | |
| Keith Groves | Jenny Rish | |
| Jenifer Hall | | |



COVID-19 VACCINATION UPDATE

You can now follow a simple, three-step process to learn when you're eligible for the COVID-19 vaccination and also register for a vaccination appointment:

Find Your Phase

Find out what phase of the vaccination plan you're in by visiting

<https://covid19.tn.gov/covid-19-vaccines/eligibility/>.

Find the Phase Your County is Vaccinating

To learn what phase your county is vaccinating, visit

<https://covid19.tn.gov/covid-19-vaccines/vaccine-phases/>.

Register for a Vaccination Appointment

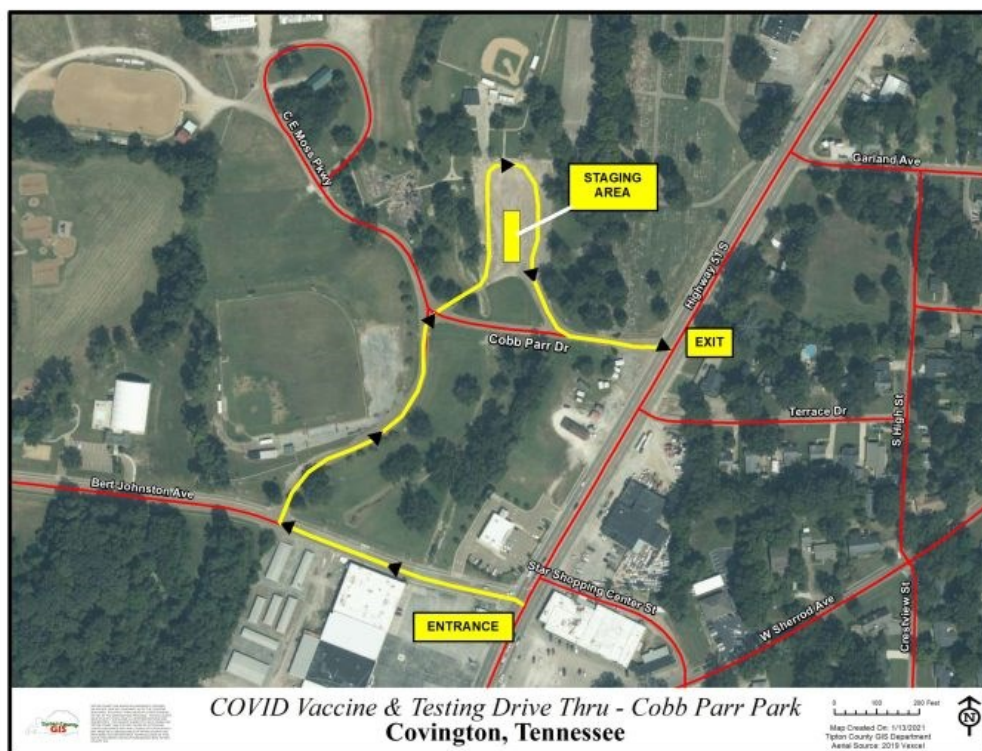
If you are in a phase currently being vaccinated in your county, you can register online at <https://covid19.tn.gov/covid-19-vaccines/vaccine-phases/> for an appointment time to receive a vaccination through the health department. Click your county on the map and then click "Make an Appointment" to register. When you register, you will be asked to enter your name and contact information to be notified of your appointment date, time, and location as soon as the vaccine becomes available.

If you know someone who does not have access to a computer or the internet, please call

The Tipton County Health Department at **866-442-5301**.

There is a new link for residents of Tipton County to register to receive the COVID-19 vaccine. This link will tell you the county's present phase, fact sheets about the vaccine, and wait list information.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/tiptonco>





Parker Harris, CEO of Baptist–Tipton discussed with us the monoclonal antibody program. He says, “The Baptist- Tipton locations that infuse this (the hospital plus our infusion rooms in the metro area) have been told by state officials that we have done the second most of these in the state of TN. “ Congrats, Baptist-Tipton, for all your hard work!

The Monoclonal Infusion Hotline number is 901-277-7070

Positive for COVID-19?



Baptist now offers
MONOCLONAL INFUSION THERAPY
to fight the symptoms of COVID-19.

Tennesseeans 70+
Now Eligible Statewide for
COVID-19 Vaccines

TN

Keep Your Community Safe By:

- 
Wearing A Mask
- 
Washing Your Hands
- 
Keeping A Safe Distance

Visit COVID19.TN.gov for more information

STOP THE SPREAD OF GERMS

Help prevent the spread of respiratory diseases like COVID-19.

Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.





cdc.gov/coronavirus

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The first Friday of February is National Wear Red Day. On this day in February, which is considered American Heart Month, people across the country don the color red in order to raise and spread awareness in hopes of helping eradicate heart disease and stroke in millions of women all over the nation. City Hall is proud to #GoRedForWomen!

American Heart Association®



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BLACK HISTORY MONTH

During the month of February, we honor the legacy and contributions of African Americans who have gone before and we celebrate the many achievements both now and in the future!

Help us show our appreciation by shopping locally at the many establishments owned and operated by black business owners in our community!





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PLAY LOCAL



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2021 SPRING SPORTS BASEBALL, SOFTBALL, & SOCCER

BASEBALL
~~\$85~~\$70
AGES 4-12

FEBRUARY
6, 13, & 20
SATURDAY



SOFTBALL
~~\$75~~\$60
AGES 4-16

TRY ON UNIFORMS



SOCCER
~~\$55~~\$45
AGES 3-12

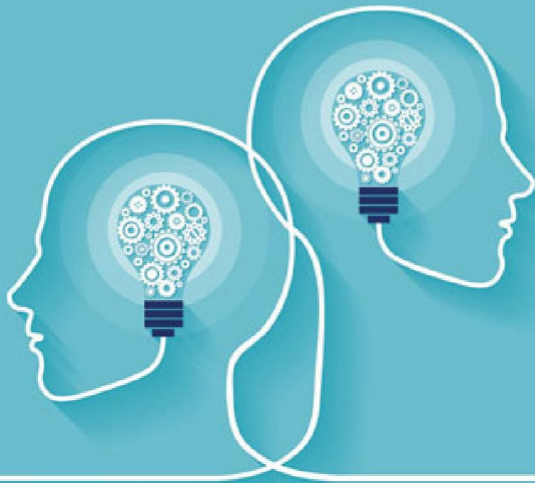


790 Burt Johnston Ave. 901-476-3734



- Ground Maintenance Worker - Part-Time
- Utility Repairman - Full-Time
- Groundskeeper / Parks & Rec - Part-Time
- Groundskeeper / Softball-Baseball - Part-Time

Apply by February 15th! Visit www.covingtontn.com/human-resources.html



Mental Health Series

DSCC's Workforce Development and Continuing Education Division will be hosting 4 sessions of Mental Health classes via Zoom. Talunja Eskridge, a Licensed Professional Mental Health Counselor, will be providing information on the everyday stressors and how to improve mental health.

February 2 • 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

How to Reduce Anxiety and Stress

Register at: <https://bit.ly/3a9WZY0>

February 9 • 12:00-1:00 p.m.

Now what? Dealing with Isolation During COVID-19

Register at: <https://bit.ly/2YjU3T8>

February 16 • 6:00-7:00 p.m.

**How Knowing Your Love Language Can Help
Your Marriage or Relationship**

Register at: <https://bit.ly/2KZvwji>

February 23 • 12:00-1:00 p.m.

Learning and Knowing Boundaries in Your Relationship

Register at: <https://bit.ly/2YnaldX>

\$10 PER SESSION!

**For more information and to register, contact
Kacie Haeberle at 731-286-3267 or haeberle@dsc.edu**

Successful Gardening at The Tipton County Museum!



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ON
ZOOM!!!

www.zoom.com

Because of COVID-19, our 2021 February Gardening Series will be held VIRTUALLY on ZOOM. Museum members are FREE. Non-members is \$5. Codes will be sent with lecture registration.

Saturday, February 6th 10:00 - 11:30 A.M.

Register: <https://form.jotform.com/210196357790158>

“What to Prune When”

- Guest Speaker – Celeste Scott: Madison County Extension Agent and Master Gardener Program coordinator.

Saturday, February 13th 10th: 10:00 - 11:30 A.M.

Register: <https://form.jotform.com/210217579506153>

“Preparing your Landscape for Spring”

- Guest Speaker – Dr. Chris Cooper: Shelby County Master Gardener Coordinator & creator of WKNO’s “The Family Plot”

Saturday, February 20th: 10:00 - 11:30 A.M.

Register: <https://form.jotform.com/210217513162139>

“Monet’s Garden”

- Guest Speaker – Barrie Foster: An artist, art teacher, and art historian. The former director of the Tipton County Museum.

Saturday, February 27th: 10:00 - 11:30 A.M.

Register: <https://form.jotform.com/210217591569156>

“Getting your Lawn Ready for Spring & Summer”

- Guest Speaker – Booker T. Leigh: Shelby County Extension Agent & creator of WYPL’s “What’s Growing On”



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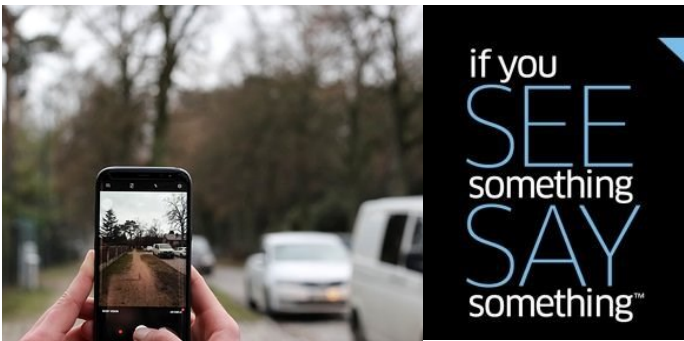
Choose a hotel protected by both smoke alarms and fire sprinklers.



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

In an emergency dial 9-1-1

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