



Newsletter - July 10, 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 – 7/7/20 – 4:00 p.m.

Present via Virtual Meeting – Mayor Justin Hanson, Alderwoman Johnetta Yarbrough, Alderman Danny Wallace, Alderman CH Sullivan, Alderman Jeff Morris, Alderwoman Minnie Bommer, Director David Gray, Director Lessie Fisher, Tina Dunn, Rebecca Ray, Nic Shaw, Margaret Fleming, Echo Day

Public Works Report – Director David Gray

Street Paving

- Highway 51, finishing up striping, stop blocks, and arrow markings
- Should be completed this week

Discussed using STP (Surface Transportation Program) dollars for paving projects

- To be paved: E Ripley St., Hope St., Tennessee Ave., Murphy St., S. College,
- Director Gray estimates the paving to be done in 2021
- Committee discussed which streets should be paved first
- Motion made to pave Hope St. now and use future monies to complete College St. from Sherrod to Mueller Brass, 2nd, discussion, roll call, motion carries

Director Gray discussed possibility of borrowing money for paving

- Committee members discussed putting on agenda for Finance and Administration Committee

Covington/Suez meter installation update

- 5 test sites installed next week
- Shipments of meters have been coming in

Tipton County Public Works was supposed to resume recycling this week but it has been postponed due to several of their employees testing positive for COVID

Mosquito spraying schedule – Monday nights and Friday nights

Motion made to accept report, 2nd, roll call, so moved

Code Compliance Report – Director Lessie Fisher

Animal Control Report

Beer Licenses – 26 inquiries, 2 new permits

2018 HOME Grant Update – 3 properties have been notified

Updates:

Business Licenses

Code Violations

Cemetery

Court Clerk

Proclamation/Resolution

Public Works

Signs

Motion to accept report, 2nd, roll call, so moved

There being no further business, meeting is adjourned

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The Tennessee National Guard is back at the Tipton County Health Department to resume drive-up COVID-19 testing. Located at 4700 Mueller Brass Rd., free testing is available Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Thanks to the Tennessee Department of Health for making this service available to our residents!



Tennessee Governor Bill Lee's Economic Recovery Group (ERG) has developed the TN Strong Mask Movement, partnering with more than 30 flagship brands to distribute close to 300,000 free or low-cost cloth face coverings, at a projected value of more than \$3 million, across the state. Now, residents can stay safe while wearing brands synonymous with Tennessee from the worlds of sports, education, and business.

Each business will distribute branded cloth face coverings at little to no cost across their own channels or with the help of the State of Tennessee, which could include employees, fans or nonprofit partnerships. Companies can visit <https://tn.gov/governor/covid-19/economic-recovery/mask-movement> for additional information. The general public can also visit the link above to order a TN Strong branded mask.

Participating brands include: • Amazon • Austin Peay State University • Belmont University (courtesy Dickens Family) • BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee Foundation • Bridgestone • Bristol Motor Speedway • Chevrolet • East Tennessee State University • FedEx Express • Gatlinburg, Pigeon Forge and Sevierville of Sevier County • Gibson Brands • Graceland • Jack Daniel's • Lipscomb University (courtesy Ezell Foundation) • Memphis Grizzlies • Middle Tennessee State University • Nashville Predators • Nashville SC (courtesy Ingram Charities, distributed in partnership with United Way of Greater Nashville) • Ryman Hospitality Properties, Inc. • SomethingInked • Tennessee Bankers Association • Tennessee Farm Bureau Health Plans • Tennessee Tech University • Tennessee Titans • Tractor Supply Company • TriStar Health • Union University • University of Memphis • University of Tennessee, Knoxville (courtesy The Boyd Foundation) • Unum Group • Vanderbilt University • Volkswagen Chattanooga

Regardless of Symptoms, Free COVID-19 Testing is Available to Tennesseans

DO YOUR PART. STAY APART.

The advertisement features a dark blue background with several white test tubes with red caps arranged diagonally on the right side.

BUSINESSES CAN DONATE NEW, UNUSED PPE

PPE DONATIONS

INFORMATION ON ACCEPTED SUPPLIES AND DONATION LOCATIONS IS ONLINE

www.tn.gov/tema/news

The advertisement features a light blue background with icons of a white glove, a white face mask, and a pair of white safety glasses on the right side.



The Tennessee Pledge was developed by Governor Lee, the Unified Command Group (UCG) and Tennessee's Economic Recovery Group (ERG) with input from health experts, state and local partners and business and industry leaders. It includes specific recommendations which enable most businesses to reopen responsibly without the burden of heavy mandates. This will be a gradual process, with room to adjust as data is evaluated. For links to all of Governor Lee's guidelines, please visit our website at www.covingtontn.com.



Monthly Update

Mayor Justin Hanson

[Click here to read Mayor Hanson's Monthly Update!](#)

Each month, Mayor Hanson gives an overview of the progress being made in the City of Covington. If you would like to receive this update via email each month, contact Rebecca Ray at rray@covingtontn.com to be added to the distribution list.



Thanks to Congressman David Kustoff for visiting Mayor Hanson's office this week. Congressman Kustoff, Mayor Hanson, and Police Chief Larry Lindsey discussed ways to continue to rebuild our economy while keeping our community safe.



As parents, teachers, and administrators continue to be concerned about re-entry into the schools this Fall, the Tipton County School Board met on Thursday night to discuss and decide on a plan for the start of the school year.

[To view the meeting, click here.](#)

[To read the Re-opening plan, click here.](#)



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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

GRAND OPENING

Friday July 17, 2020
@3:30PM

Cobb-Parr Park
adjacent to
the running trail

Kids & Adults
bring your bike
or borrow one of ours



Covington Bicycle Park & Playground



Prizes



This Park was built with funds provided by Project Diabetes



Refreshments



KNOCK Vaping Out of the Park Night!

2nd Annual Women's
Softball HR Derby
@Covington Sports
Complex

Thursday July 23rd
@6:30 PM

Join us for a
GREAT Night of
Family Fun



**KNOCK
VAPING
OUT OF
THE PARK**

Women 18 and Over
\$15 Entry Fee
1st, 2nd & 3rd Place Awards

Bats & Helmets Provided by Covington Parks & Rec
Bring your own pitcher if you have a preference or we will provide one.

COVINGTON PARKS & RECREATION HAS A LOT TO OFFER

1. Weight & Workout Rooms
2. Fitness Classes
3. Year Round Pool
4. Museum and Walking Trail



Membership Types

- Single Residents
- Family Residents
- Seniors
- Students
- Special Needs Corporate
- City Employees Families
- Military/Fire/Police/Teachers
- Kids summer passes

Silver Sneakers
 Silver & Fit
 Active & Fit
 Fitness Coach

SPORTSPLEX SCHEDULE 2020 SUMMER CLASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY-FRIDAY
5AM-7 PM
SATURDAY 9AM-12PM

<p>MONDAY</p> <p>5-6 AM eXcelerate w/Dee 8:30 – 9:30 AM Cardio Mix w/Pam 5-6 PM – Yoga w/Jennifer 6:15 – 7 PM TRX w/Kristin</p> <p>WEDNESDAY</p> <p>5-6 AM eXcelerate w/Dee 8:30 – 9:30 AM Cardio Mix w/Pam 5-6 PM – Yoga w/Jennifer 6:15 – 7:00 PM TRX w/Kristin</p> <p>FRIDAY</p> <p>5-6 AM eXcelerate w/Dee 8:30 – 9:30 AM Cardio Mix w/Pam 9:30 – 10:30 AM Line Dancing w/ LeAnn</p>	<p>TUESDAY</p> <p>6-7 AM Yoga w/Jennifer 8:30 – 9:30 AM Yoga w/ Jennifer 5-6 PM Zumba w/Karina 6-7 PM Pound with Maddie</p> <p>THURSDAY</p> <p>6-7 AM Yoga w/Jennifer 8:30 – 9:30 AM Yoga w/Jennifer 5-6 PM Zumba w/Karina 6-7 PM Spin w/Isaac</p>
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Start Slow

 SP@RTSPL@X
 Finish Strong

Aquatic Center Classes



<p>MONDAY</p> <p>5AM-8AM – MASTER SWIM 10AM – 11AM – WATER AEROBICS 12 PM – 2 PM – PATRON SWIM 3PM-6PM – OPEN SWIM 6PM – 7PM – WATER AEROBICS 7 PM – 8 PM – MASTER SWIM</p> <p>THURSDAY</p> <p>5AM-8AM – MASTER SWIM 7AM-8AM – WATER AEROBICS 12PM – 2PM – PATRON SWIM 3PM – 6PM – OPEN SWIM 6PM – 7PM – WATER AEROBICS 7PM – 8PM – MASTER SWIM</p>	<p>TUESDAY</p> <p>5AM-8AM – MASTER SWIM 7AM-8AM – WATER AEROBICS 10AM-11AM – WATER AEROBICS 12 PM – 2 PM PATRON SWIM 3PM – 6PM – OPEN SWIM 6PM-7PM – AQUA EXPLOSION 7PM-8PM – MASTER SWIM</p> <p>FRIDAY</p> <p>5AM-8AM – MASTER SWIM 10AM – 11AM – WATER AEROBICS 12PM – 2PM – PATRON SWIM 3PM – 5PM – OPEN SWIM</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY</p> <p>5AM-8AM – MASTER SWIM 10AM-11AM – AQUA EXPLOSION 12PM-2PM – PATRON SWIM 3PM – 6PM – OPEN SWIM</p> <p>SATURDAY</p> <p>11AM-1PM – PATRON SWIM 2PM – 5PM – OPEN SWIM</p> <p>SUNDAY CLOSED</p>
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Massage Therapy

- Stress Relief
- Increased Circulation
- Pain Relief
- Immune System Boost
- Reduction in insomnia episodes

Massage	Member	Non-Member
30 Minutes	\$35.00	\$45.00
One Hour	\$65.00	\$75.00
One & a half Hour	\$100.00	\$110.00

Membership has its privileges...If you are a Sportsplex member,
You receive a special rate.

Call or Text Dee Rogers, NCMT, LMT

870-206-2294 with any questions or to book your appointment.





TIPTON COUNTY
M·U·S·E·U·M

The Tipton County Museum &
Dyersburg State Community College,
Jimmy Naifeh Center Present

“A WORLD OF THEIR OWN”

The 2020 Area Artists Art Exhibit

Exhibition Dates: July 7—October 30

All of this original fine artwork has been created by an area artist. If you are interested in purchasing artwork for your home or office, or would like to know more about art classes and art groups in the



area, please call Barrie Foster at (901) 476-0242 or Barb McBride at (901) 237-4006.

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



COVINGTON CIVIC CENTER

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

Visit our [Facebook Page](#)

or

Visit our [Website!](#)

You're invited to the PCS
4th Annual
BACK TO SCHOOL
Supply Drive

Saturday, August 8, 2020
9:00AM
Professional Care Services
1997 Highway 51 South, Covington

Child must be present to receive supplies
Event will end when supplies run out!

I'm challenging you to
complete the
2020 Census
today.

#shapeyourfuture

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

We're Open

MON-FRI 8:00 - 5:00 PM

SAT 9:00-3:00 PM

*Our shelves are full of books, movies, magazines and CDs. that are
just waiting for you to check them out!*

*If you're not ready to come inside the building, we also have
Curbside Service available:*

- Place items on hold through your account on our website, or by calling the library.
- Park in the designated spot.
- Call the Library when you arrive and we will bring the items to your car.

tiptoncountylibrary.com


476-8289



Let Us Help Plan Your Child's Next Party at the Covington Civic Center

Invite your friends to your **Paint Party** at the Covington Civic Center. Pick out a sample to paint on a Canvas board for your



birthday, special occasion, or any reason to get  together with friends for some fun.

We're going to put a little **ART** in your **PARTY!**


For Information Call 901.475.7139



Cost for a Party.....\$100.00

Total Time Allowed for Painting &
Any Party Food to be Served.....2 Hours


Party Size.....Limited to 10

Canvas Size 10 x 14 



Covington Civic Center will provide all supplies for the Paint Party. This includes the art picked from our sample wall, 10 x 14 Canvas boards, paints, brushes, easels, tables and chairs. The Canvas boards will be outlined before the party and will be ready for paint.



If the Renter chooses to serve refreshments to those attending, the Renter will provide the refreshments and all necessary serving pieces, plates, cups, spoons, forks, and napkins. 

The Teen Prescription Drug Epidemic

More than
1,600 TEENS
begin abusing prescription drugs each day

1 IN 5 TEENS
who have abused prescription drugs did so before turning 14

50%
of teens believe prescription drugs are safer than illegal street drugs

Every day in the U.S.,
2,500 YOUTH
from ages 12 to 17 abuse a prescription pain reliever

65%
of teens say that home medicine cabinets are their source of drugs

2 IN 3 TEENS
who have abused prescription drugs got them from a friend or relative

Teens abuse prescription drugs more than
ECSTASY, HEROIN, CRACK/COCAINE & METHAMPHETAMINE COMBINED

ADDICTIONHOPE.COM



Stay fire-safe when you travel.

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

FEMA U.S. Fire Administration

The Facts About Vaping

- 2,711+** lung injury cases in the U.S. associated with vaping.*
- Nicotine** can permanently change the developing teenage brain, creating a nicotine addiction for life.
- 10 million** youth in the United States used, or were open to using, e-cigarettes in 2018.
- 60+** deaths associated with vaping.*
- Eighth graders who vape** are 10 times more likely to eventually smoke cigarettes than their non-vaping peers.
- 135% increase** in high school students using e-cigarettes, reported between 2017 to 2019.
- 60%** of young people think e-cigarettes are mostly flavor; the truth is that more than 98% of products tested contain nicotine.

*As of January 2020

Imagine Your Story!



May 26 - July 31st
Ages 0-100

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tcpl.readsquared.com

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READSquared Mobile APP

EST. 1938
Tipton County Public Library
"LET US SERVE YOU"

Tuesday 8am-2pm
Thursday Noon-6pm
Saturday 8am-2pm

COURT SQUARE FARMERS MARKET

EST. 2010
COVINGTON TENNESSEE

May-November
follow the WATER TOWER
117 N. Main St.

