



# Newsletter - June 19, 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](http://www.covingtontn.com).

## Finance and Administration Committee Meeting – 06/15/20 – 4:00 p.m.

Present via Virtual Meeting: Mayor Justin Hanson, Alderwoman Johnetta Yarbrough, Alderwoman Minnie Bommer, Alderman Jeff Morris, Alderman Keith Phelps, Alderman Danny Wallace, Rebecca Ray

Motion made for Mayor Hanson to chair meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup>, roll call, so moved

Mayor Hanson stated that there was no agenda for this meeting. The Board wanted to meet to discuss new sales tax numbers, but no sales tax report has been received yet.

Motion made to adjourned meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup>, discussion

Alderman Wallace asked about update on gasification project. Mayor Hanson stated that there is a meeting on July 1<sup>st</sup> with Director Gray, Attorney Witherington, Sen. Rose, Rep. Moody, Congressman Kustoff, and Volunteer Energy Solutions in regards to problems with obtaining the air quality permit.

Alderman Wallace asked about selling various city properties discussed at last General Welfare-Public Relations meeting.

Mayor Hanson stated that this issue will be discussed in the July Finance and Administration Committee meeting.

Alderwoman Bommer called for question, motion to adjourn, roll call, meeting adjourned

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## COVINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

[Visit us on our Facebook page](#)



The Covington Police Department would like to say “Thank You!” to Brenda Wrather, Jena Hackett, and Rob Witherington for providing lunch to the

department on Wednesday. We appreciate the continued support from our community. It is an honor to serve and protect our City!



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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*



On Sunday, June 14th, community members and first responders came together to bring awareness to social justice, police brutality, racism, and equality. The walk began at Peeler and Highway 51, traveled south on Highway 51 to Ripley, then Main Street to the Square. Once around the Square the group went to Sherrod Ave. down to Highway 51, north to West Ripley where they met at Frazier Park. There were tents available with volunteers to assist participants in voter registration, obtaining insurance, and expungement.

We would like to thank Covington Police Department, Tennessee Highway Patrol, and other agencies who kept the community members who marched safe and hydrated! And thanks to every participant who came together to bring awareness in a peaceful way to the City of Covington!





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.

BUSINESSES CAN DONATE NEW, UNUSED PPE

**PPE DONATIONS**

INFORMATION ON ACCEPTED SUPPLIES AND DONATION LOCATIONS IS ONLINE

[www.tn.gov/tema/news](http://www.tn.gov/tema/news)



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](http://www.covingtontn.com).

# Blood Drive

Because of you, life doesn't stop.  
#VitalToLife

## City of Covington, TN Blood Drive

**Wednesday, July 1**

**11:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.**

**Civic Center, Banquet Hall**

**100 West Washington**

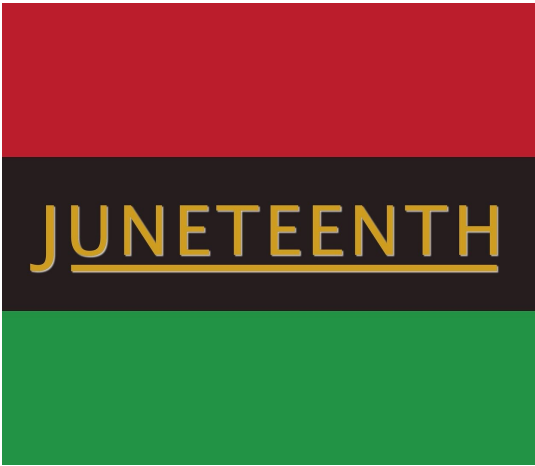
To ensure the safety of our donors and staff, the most up-to-date CDC guidance will apply for this blood drive. Please contact your blood drive coordinator for detailed information and guidance.

Vitalant strongly encourages you to make – and keep – an appointment to give blood. Contact Rebecca Ray at 901.476.9613 for an appointment or go to [vitalant.org](https://vitalant.org), click donate then enter sponsor code: covingtontn.



Vitalant is now testing blood donations for COVID-19 antibodies. Appointments strongly recommended. Learn more at [vitalant.org/antibodytest](https://vitalant.org/antibodytest)

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Juneteenth marks the day on June 19, 1865, that Union soldiers told enslaved African Americans in Galveston, Texas, that the Civil War had ended and they were free. The Emancipation Proclamation freed the slaves in the South in 1863 but it was not enforced in many places until after the end of the Civil War in 1865.

During this transformative time, we take time to commemorate the 155<sup>th</sup> anniversary of this very important day in American history. We remember the struggle of enslaved people and work to put an end to systemic racial injustice. Take time today and every day to educate yourself on Juneteenth and find a way to support local black owned businesses today.

### Support These Local Black Owned Businesses

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|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Anointed Hands Beauty & Barber Shop   | Dr. Samuel Broffitt              |
| Atoka Family Dentistry                | Earls Barber Shop                |
| Barlow Funeral Home                   | Elegantly Beautiful U            |
| Bon Temps Catering Co                 | Flemings Curb Appeal             |
| Braden Flooring                       | Foster's Prints                  |
| Cannon Chiropractic                   | Fred Brooks Photography          |
| Classic Sea World                     | Genniece Luray Home Daycare      |
| Classy Image Hair                     | Gus's World Famous Fried Chicken |
| Covington Clinic - Dr. Springfield    | Hayes Mobile Carwash             |
| Crumpy's Hotwings                     | Joe Taylor Lawn Service          |
| D.P. Photography                      | K Love Fresh Cuts                |
| Kee's Kool Cream Ice Cream            | Starks Daycare                   |
| Kennedy's Bar & Cigar Lounge          | The Platform Hair Studio         |
| Krayola Learning Acedemy              | The Wing Basket                  |
| KSK Beauty Supply                     | Theo & Roe's Ice Cream Parlor    |
| Kure Med Spa                          | Tip-Topps Tree Service           |
| Little Ceasars Covington              | Unique Prints                    |
| Loveing Hearts Daycare & Preschool    | Up Town BBQ On the Square        |
| Lydia's Fashion and Designer Boutique | Walker Landscaping               |
| Palmer Mason Funeral Home             | White Dentistry Mason            |
| Perfect Image Barbershop              | Whitley's Barber Shop            |
| Primetime Grill                       | Y-Unique Flowers and Gifts       |



**Calling All High School & Adult Artists!!!!**

We need YOU to enter

**"A WORLD OF THEIR OWN"**

The 2020 Area Artists Art Exhibit at DSCC, JNC

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

Exhibition dates: July 7—October 30

**Hurry! Entry Deadline is June 19**

Download the Prospectus at [www.tiptoncountymuseum.com](http://www.tiptoncountymuseum.com)

Or pick up the form at the Tipton County Museum

751 Bert Johnston Avenue, Covington, TN  
(901) 476-0242




**Stay fire-safe when you travel.**

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





# JOB OPENING

*Covington Sportsplex*



Apply here



**NIGHT TIME FITNESS LEADER  
WITH SUPERVISORY DUTIES  
3 hours on Saturday**

Mature individual desired on nights and weekends  
Approximately 28 hours per week.

# OUTDOOR JOB

COVINGTON PARKS & RECREATION



Apply here

## We Are looking for a (FT) Bike Park Manager Cobb Parr Park



A little knowledge  
Of how to fix a bike



Likes children...



Well at least child friendly

Apply Here



40 hours a week



## Line Dancing Class will resume

**June 26<sup>th</sup>  
9:30 am**



## 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.



1ST ANNUAL MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS

**COLOR ME HAPPY 5K COLOR RUN/WALK**

October 3 | 8 AM  
Cobb Park | Covington, TN

*2 Run Options*  
FULL 5K OR 1 MILE COLOR RUN

Register at:  
[HTTPS://RUNSIGNUP.COM/RACE/TN/COVINGTON/COLORMEHAPPY5KCOLORRUNWALK](https://runsignup.com/race/TN/COVINGTON/COLORMEHAPPY5KCOLORRUNWALK)

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\$35 PER PERSON  
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QR! Scan



- Cost is \$35
- Two Run Options!
- Run, Volunteer, or Sponsor!
- Register [HERE](#) or
- Scan this QR Code



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

**WE'RE REOPENING,**  
*With Care*

**TUESDAY  
JUNE 16TH**

TOURS TUES. THRU SAT.  
10:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
(731) 738-2240

Visit the Historic  
**Alex Haley**  
MUSEUM

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*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.

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476-8289




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



# 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. 



Our Covington High Chargers Baseball Team has new signs at the north and south entrances to the city. Thanks to Lyn Jones and Covington Public Works for providing new signage that reflects the most recent AA Championship year!

*We LOVE our CHARGERS!*

*Ladies Night Out*  
Thursday, June 25th  
5-8 p.m.

*Historic Covington Square*

~Virtual~  
**Kids in the Kitchen**

**SAVE THE DATE**  
June 24th-26th

Register by June 18th  
with link below:  
<https://forms.gle/jwYNBeHnu3T2Dnqk7>

Email for supplies will be sent by  
June 19th  
Lessons will be conducted through  
Google Drive

For questions please contact:  
Rachel Erwin or Katie Dees  
[rerwin@utk.edu](mailto:rerwin@utk.edu) or [kwyatt3@utk.edu](mailto:kwyatt3@utk.edu)

**JUNE 25 (THURSDAY)**  
**BEGINS @ DUSK**  
**PLAYGROUND**  
**PARKING**

Disney Pixar  
**Toy Story 4**

DONATIONS ACCEPTED  
CONCESSIONS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

**FREE DRIVE IN MOVIE NIGHT**

# 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**

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# FINE FREE MONTH!

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**JUNE 1 - JUNE 30, 2020**

FIND A BOOK YOU FORGOT YOU HAD?  
DON'T FRET...  
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WE'LL WAIVE THE FINES!

8:00 AM to 5:00 PM  
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# DAIRY DAY

**Monday June 29 3PM-6PM**

Thanks to Prairie Farms Dairy, Gateway is hosting the USDA Farmers to Families Milk Box Program. There are 480 boxes available, each box includes the items pictured below. One box per family, first come first serve. Pick up is 3pm-6pm on Monday June 29 at Gateway on the Square, 101 W. Court Square in Covington, TN.

Imagine Your Story!



May 26 - July 31st  
Ages 0-100

Sign up at  
[tcpl.readsquared.com](http://tcpl.readsquared.com)



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