

# CITY of COVINGTON

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Mayor Justin Hanson



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## Committee Meetings

### JULY

#### District 1

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#### **Public Works Committee - July 7**

Chairperson Danny Wallace, Jeff Morris, Johnetta Yarbrough

#### **General Welfare/Public Relations Committee - July 12**

Chairperson Jeff Morris, CH Sullivan, John Edwards

#### **Finance and Administration Committee - July 19**

Chairperson CH Sullivan, All Board Members

#### **Public Safety Committee - July 26**

Chairperson Johnetta Yarbrough, Chris Richardson, CH Sullivan

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

**City Board meetings are also live-streamed  
on our [Website](#) and [Facebook page](#).**



## Finance and Administration Committee Meeting 6/21/2022, 4:00 p.m.

The Finance and Administration Committee met at City of Covington on June 21, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. with the following members present: Chairman Alderman C H Sullivan, Mayor Justin Hanson, Aldermen: Johnetta Yarbrough, Danny Wallace, and Chris Richardson. Also, present were: Public Works Director David Gray, Fire Chief Richard Griggs, Building Official Lessie Fisher, Park and Recreation Director Molly Glass, Police Chief Donna Turner, Personnel Director Eboni Eaton, and Recorder-Treasurer Tina Dunn.

Alderman Sullivan called meeting to order.

Chamber Director Fletcher requested an appropriation of \$30,000.00 which will be used to fund the position of a downtown director. This will allow Covington to apply for TN Main Street Designation to become a certified main street community. After discussion, it was determined that additional funding is not available at the present time.

Personnel Director Eaton presented the revised purchasing ordinance for review. The amount required for bids was changed from \$25,000.00 to \$10,000.00. Additional verbiage was requested for Section 5-503 (2)(D) which involves accepting the lowest and best quote.

Motion was made by Mayor Hanson and seconded by Alderman Richardson to recommend the purchasing ordinance with amendment to the Board of Mayor and Alderman for approval.

Motion passed.

Police Chief Turner presented the roof bid for the police department building for review. Champion Roofing submitted a bid of \$38,500.00. In a previous meeting, the budget was amended to include an additional \$75,000.00 for the damage that occurred from the February ice storm to the building. The work is estimated to begin in few months.

Motion was made by Mayor Hanson and seconded by Alderman Wallace to proceed and accept bid from Champion Roofing for the roof repair at the police department building.

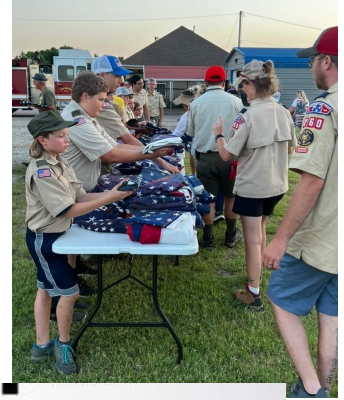
Motion passed.

Alderman Sullivan started the budget discussion for fiscal year 2022-23. The budget will need to be amended to include the roof repair at Children Family Services once the bid is opened on July 11th• This information will be brought for approval at the Finance & Administration Meeting on July 19, 2022.

There being no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.



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# FLAG RETIREMENT CEREMONY

*Mayor Hanson attended a flag retirement ceremony at Express Chevrolet in Covington. Special thanks to Ed Doyle, the Boy Scouts of America, and the Ray Pinner VFW Post 4840 and Auxiliary, Tipton County, TN for hosting and leading this very moving service! Over 500 flags were properly disposed!*

It was an honor for Mayor Hanson to join Lt. Governor Randy McNally, Speaker Cameron Sexton, Senator Paul Rose, Covington Police Department Chief Donna Turner, Sheriff Shannon Beasley, and other leaders in the signing of the “Truth in Sentencing” Bill. Passed during the 2022 legislative session, truth in sentencing makes Tennessee a national leader in violent crime prevention by requiring 100 percent sentences for some of the most violent offenses committed. This bipartisan solution builds upon previous legislation enacted in 2021, requiring violent criminals to serve 100 percent of sentences given by a judge or jury for 31 different crimes historically targeting women and children. Because of these laws, Tennessee now has the toughest penalties in the entire nation against violent criminals.




# WELCOME NEW BUSINESS!



Congratulations on the grand opening and ribbon cutting of Wrapzody Gourmet Wrapz Deli at 928 Hwy 51 South in Covington (Hwy. 51 and Sherrod). Serving an array of signature wraps, salads, and deli bread sandwiches, Wrapzody also offers a great breakfast menu. The menu also provides an excellent choice of vegan selections with organic veggies. We thank you for your investment in our community!



Mayor Hanson administered the Oath of Office to the Covington - Tipton County Chamber of Commerce 2025 class. New members are: Kayla Fisher Cothran, Christi Hudnall, Michelle Elrod, Kelley Gray, Dr. Amanda Walker, Heather White, and Jan Hensley.






**Upcoming Tennessee Sales Tax Holidays**

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July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023  
*Gun Safes & Safety Equipment*

July 29, 2022 - July 31, 2022  
*Clothing, School Supplies, and Computers*

August 1, 2022 - August 31, 2022  
*Food & Food Ingredients*

TENNESSEE FINANCIAL LITERACY COMMISSION

# SUPPORT LOCAL BUSINESS



*The Tipton County Carl Perkins Center Presents*

## Tasty Tuesdays

JULY 5TH - WELLS KITCHEN  
JULY 12TH - CRUMPY'S  
JULY 19TH - JT'S  
JULY 26TH - ICE CREAM TOUR

Eat local and support The Carl Perkins Center!  
A portion of all restaurant proceeds will go directly to helping victims of child abuse in Tipton County.



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**SAY**  
something™

**REPORT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY** to Covington Police  
Call 901-475-1261 or 901-475-4300  
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# CORNHOLE

off the square

# DEPOT DISTRICT

## FOOD TRUCK FAIRE

Liberty Vintage Marketplace

### 11AM - 4PM



JULY 9

AUG 13

SEPT 10

OCT 8

NOV 12

DEC 10



## The 38th Annual Lauderdale County Tomato Festival

### Thursday, July 7th

Children's Tomato Parade ..... 6:00pm  
Downtown Court Square, Ripley. Sponsored by Ripley Downtown Dev. Corp.

Concert By Dr. Zarr & The Funk Monsters ..... 7:00pm-10:00pm  
Amphitheater, Ripley Downtown Court Square. Sponsored by Ripley Downtown Dev. Corp.

### Friday, July 8th

Charity Coffee ..... 7:30am-9:00am  
Ripley Family Fitness Center - 317 S Washington St., Hosted by Lauderdale Chamber/ECD  
City of Ripley & Ripley Family Fitness Center

Exhibits Open ..... 10:00am  
Crafts, Food, and General Vendors Ripley City Park, 200 Mary Roberts Dr., Ripley

Kid's Fun Zone & Petting Zoo Opens ..... 10:00am  
Petting Zoo, Bounce Houses, Giant Slide, Gyo

38th Annual Tomato Festival Opening Ceremony ..... 10:00am  
Main Stage: Welcome by State & Local Officials, Invocation by Fire Chaplain Nohlen,  
Local Entertainment, Tomato Farmer of the Yr., Tomato Festival Royalty, Joe Eskridge,  
Michelle Wolfe, Jon Cherry, Carney Rose

Tomato Festival Market & Country Store ..... 10:00am  
Ripley City Park, Sponsored by FCE Clubs of Lauderdale County

Tomato Contest (entry deadline is 12 noon on Friday, July 8th) ..... 12:00 Noon  
Lauderdale County Bank, Cleveland Street, Ripley. Judging: biggest, oddest shape, best color,  
best taste. Bring entries to Lauderdale County Bank anytime between Tuesday, July 5th and  
Friday, July 8th 12:00 noon.

### HEADLINE ENTERTAINMENT

Entertainment by Chice Crowder ..... 5:30pm-7:00pm  
Main Stage, Ripley City Park

Entertainment by Andy K. Avery ..... 7:30pm-10:00pm  
Main Stage, Ripley City Park

### Saturday, July 9th

5K Run/Walk ... pre-reg by 7:55:25, race day \$30 ..... 7:00am

Race begins at Ripley City Park, 200 Mary Roberts Drive  
Sponsors: First Citizens National Bank, Lauderdale Chamber/ECD, Lauderdale Community  
Hospital, Professional Care Services, Ripley Family Fitness Center, Ripley Park &  
Recreation, Star Physical Therapy

\$100 Drawing for all pre-registered. Must be present to win!

Tomato Festival Car & Truck Registration ..... 9:00-11:00am  
Ripley City Park, 200 Mary Roberts Drive, Ripley. Entry Fee of \$15 per class entered. All  
1st & 2nd place per class, People's Choice and Best in Show.

Tomato Festival Bike Show Registration ..... 9:00-11:00am  
Ripley City Park, 200 Mary Roberts Drive, Ripley. Donation of \$10 per class entered.  
Bagger/Touring, Chopper/Bobber, American Iron, Metric, Custom. All proceeds go to St. Jude  
Children's Hospital.

Tomato Festival Car/Truck/Bike Show ..... 9:00am-2:00pm  
Registration 9-11:00am, Judging will take place at 12:00 Noon, Awards will be given at  
2:00pm, Ripley City Park - Car & Truck Show.

Mr. Nick Magic Show ..... 10:00am  
Magic Mr. Nick, Ripley City Park, 200 Mary Roberts Dr., Ripley

Exhibits Open ..... 10:00am  
Crafts, Food, and General Vendors, Ripley City Park, 200 Mary Roberts Dr., Ripley

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Ripley City Park, Sponsored by FCE Clubs of Lauderdale County

Methodist Market ..... 10:30am-1:00pm  
First United Methodist Church Activities Building, downtown

RMS Football Cheer Squad ..... 11:00am  
Main Stage, Ripley City Park

GG Dance Company ..... 12:00 Noon  
Main Stage, Ripley City Park

Meet Your Candidates hosted by WTRB ..... 2:00pm  
(Introduction of Candidates) Main Stage, Ripley City Park

Tomato Festival Idol ..... 3:30pm  
Main Stage, Ripley City Park. Sponsored by Burns Broadcasting and Burns Beverage

Baby Crawling Contest (6-18 mos., \$3.00 entry) ..... 5:00pm  
Behind Main Stage, Ripley City Park, Sponsor: Lauderdale Chamber/ECD

### HEADLINE ENTERTAINMENT

Entertainment by Joe Eskridge & Friends ..... 5:30pm-7:00pm  
Main Stage, Ripley City Park

Entertainment by Nick Moody & the Voluntary 3 ..... 8:00pm-10:00pm  
Main Stage, Ripley City Park

# July 8th & 9th

Sponsored by:

LAUDERDALE CHAMBER/ECD



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38th Annual Lauderdale County  
Tomato Festival!!!





Make a Difference



Volunteer to help 2nd-graders become great readers.

After a two year hiatus, ARISE2Read will be returning to Crestview Elementary and Covington Integrated Arts Academy in the Fall. You can make a difference in the life of 2 students by volunteering for just 1 hour a week during the school day. ARISE2Read will provide all the training and materials for you to implement a structured protocol that is fun and engaging for you and the children you are mentoring. No teaching experience is needed, just a love for children and a desire to see them succeed.

To volunteer or for more information, Covington First United Methodist church, (901)476-9694.

## GET INVOLVED



Join us at Jerusalem Marketplace VBS, where we'll explore what it was like to walk with Jesus during his last week on earth!



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Location: **Cornerstone Assembly of God**

(church name)

The adventure will last: **July 24-29, 2022**

(VBS dates)

Celebration begins at: **6:00 p.m.**

(VBS starting time)

The day's adventure ends at: **8:30 p.m.**

(VBS ending time)

For more information, call: **check out our Facebook page- Cornerstone**

(church phone number)

8041 Mt. Carmel Road, Covington, TN

## BE ONE STEP AHEAD



BASIC MICROSOFT

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TRAINING

Word Course 16 hrs.

June 7th – July 14th  
Tuesday & Thursday  
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm



Excel Course 16 hrs.

July 19th – Aug. 11th  
Tuesday & Thursday  
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm

REGISTER TODAY 901.475.2526

**Per Training Program: \$250.00**

\* Includes access to Cengage Unlimited - 4-month access)

Instructor: Veronica Allen-Broadnax  
Tennessee College of Applied Technology  
1600 Highway 51 South  
Covington, TN 38019

Training Program:  
1.) Microsoft Word  
2.) Microsoft Excel

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**"From the Bluffs to the Bayou"**

May 21, 28    June 4, 11, 18, 25    July 9, 16



**Covington  
Downtown Music  
Series**

**Courthouse Lawn  
4:00-7:00 PM**

**Liberty Vintage Stage  
7:00-10:00 PM**



## Get Involved!

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

