

**COAL CITY VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
APRIL 11, 2016**

**STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTIES OF GRUNDY AND WILL
VILLAGE OF COAL CITY**

At 7 p.m. on Monday, April 11, 2016, Mayor Terry Halliday called to order the regular meeting of the Coal City Village Board in the boardroom of the Village Hall. Roll call-Trustees Neal Nelson, Dan Greggain, Dave Togliatti and Justin Wren. Absent; Tim Bradley and Ross Bradley. Also in attendance was Matt Fritz, village administrator, Police Chief Tom Best and attorney Mark Heinle.

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the March 7, 2016 Budget meeting, March 10, 2016 Budget meeting, March 16, 2016 Budget Meeting, March 23, 2016 Public Hearing and March 23, 2016 Regular meeting were presented for approval. With one error noted on page six of the March 23, 2016 regular meeting minutes, Togliatti moved to approve the minutes, second by Wren. Roll call-Ayes; Nelson, Greggain, Togliatti and Wren. Nays; none. Absent; T. Bradley and R. Bradley. Motion carried.

The warrant list was presented. Mr. Fritz suggested that Spring Grove Nursery be added to the warrant list for the purchase of Village ROW trees in the amount of \$6,000 to be planted on April 29th. Attorney Heinle recommended that the requested be placed on the warrant list for the next meeting. Nelson moved to approve the warrant list, second by Greggain. Roll call-Ayes; Nelson, Greggain, Togliatti and Wren. Nays; none. Absent; T. Bradley and R. Bradley. Motion carried.

There was no public comment at this meeting.

Bob Osgood representing Exelon Generating and Dresden Station presented a check in the amount of \$4,600 as a donation for the "Concerts in the Park" activities this summer. The Board thanked Mr. Osgood for the generous contribution.

The Coal City Junior Woman's Club had requested permission to hold their annual Pinwheel Garden in Campbell Memorial Park during the month of April recognizing Child Abuse Prevention month. In addition a Proclamation was presented designating April as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Coal City. Greggain moved to ratify the use of

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Campbell Memorial Park for the annual Pinwheel Garden for Child Abuse Prevention Month and authorize the Mayor to execute a Proclamation declaring April as "Child Abuse Prevention Month in Coal City", second by Wren. Roll call-Ayes; Nelson, Greggain, Togliatti and Wren. Nays; none. Absent; R. Bradley and R. Bradley. Motion carried.

Ordinance 16-08 for stop sign placement in Meadow Estates Subdivision was presented to the Board. Chief Best stated that a traffic study was completed by the police force and that it is recommended that six signs be placed in the subdivision for traffic control. The signs would be located at:

- Foxgrove at Richards Street (westbound)
- Primrose at Richards Street (eastbound)
- Primrose at Richards Street (southbound)
- Robin Court at Richards Street (southbound)
- Short Street at Enrietta

Togliatti moved to adopt Ordinance 16-08 providing for stop sign placement within the Meadow Estates Subdivision, second by Greggain. Roll call-Ayes; Nelson, Greggain, Togliatti and Wren. Nays; none. Absent; T. Bradley and R. Bradley. Motion carried.

A performance contract was presented for Felix & Fingers Dueling Pianos who are being hired by the Park Board for a summer park event in Campbell Memorial Park on July 30th in the amount of \$2750. Attorney Heinle stated that upon review of the contract, he was not comfortable with the insurance regarding liability and had forwarded an addendum that he suggested be attached to the contract. The addendum was forwarded to Georgette Vota who is spearheading the event and she will send it on to the production company for signature. Once the addendum is executed, the document will be reviewed by the attorney and advise Mayor Halliday to execute same and a deposit check be forwarded. Greggain moved to approve the contract for the dueling piano park event and authorize Mayor Halliday to execute the contract with the signed addendum and subject to final review and approval by attorney Heinle, second by Wren. Roll call-Ayes; Nelson, Greggain, Togliatti and Wren. Nays; none. Absent; T. Bradley and R. Bradley. Motion carried.

Mr. Fritz presented an electrical aggregation update. Presently the Village utilizes Homefield Energy as electrical supplier and ComEd as the electrical source. Through the Will County Governmental League, competitive bidding was held for the better electrical

rate with Homefield Energy submitting the lowest bid. ComEd presently has the lessor rate but the Homefield Energy rate will drop in October. Discussion included:

- Residents opting out of Homefield Energy and return to ComEd
- Penalty for opting out;
- October 17, 2017, end of three-year contract with Homefield Energy
- Homefield rate reduction in October

Attorney Heinle will review the Homefield Energy Contract.

Mayor Halliday reported:

- Plaque of Recognition given to the Village from the VFW thanking the Village for the donation of the WW#2 Honor Roll Document and monetary donation for restoration
- Update regarding Third Street/Fourth Street alley; Mr. Fritz said that the maintenance department is investigating the flow of the drainage in that alley and that easements will be required from the homeowners for the construction of drainage
- Update regarding dangerous tree limb on Oak Street and Linda; Mr. Fritz said he reported the limb to the maintenance department
- Will County Governmental League Lobby Day is April 13th and that he and Mr. Fritz would be attending the event

Trustee Wren announced that the annual spring cleanup has been scheduled for Tuesday, May 10th. He stipulated the details of the cleanup.

Trustee Greggain thanked Georgette Vota for her hard work with the Park Board including obtaining grants and for sitting on the Planning and Zoning Board of Appeals. He then presented the Farmers Market update with the first event being scheduled for July 16th. He also reported on the recent meeting with the Grundy County Health Department and the Farmers Market Committee.

Attorney Heinle stated that a settlement had been reached regarding the 170 Walnut Street demolition. \$3,500 had been received for fees and costs of the suit and that the property is under contract for sale, building permits had been issued and construction/repair has begun on the property. Attorney Heinle said that he was waiting for the title updates on the three demolition properties and will proceed with

the foreclosure process. Mr. Heinle then announced that he would not be present for the next Village Board meeting but someone from the law firm will be present in his stead.

Chief Best announced:

- Upcoming Seat Belt Safety campaign will begin soon
- Agency is actively pursuing community policing
- Civic Academy; pilot program to begin consisting of 6 sessions with volunteers from the community
- "Walk for Life" walk will be held on April 30th, the same day as the Village's annual all town garage sale. Auxiliary volunteers will assist the walkers as will the police department regarding street crossing
- Reported on the recent Braidwood Nuclear Disaster Drill stating it was more complex than usual

Mr. Fritz stated:

- ILCMA recognizes the manager of the year and Mr. Fritz had recommended a Village Manager that was a tremendous help during the tornado event
- On April 29th, Arbor Day, ComEd is donating many trees to be planted in the Village's parkways to restore the ones lost in the tornado. In addition the United Methodist Church will be hosting the distribution of 400 trees to the residents. Additional trees will be obtained through the Long Term Recovery Committee if the trees are in demand. Volunteers will plant trees if needed.
- The Finance Committee will meet on Thursday, April 14th at 6 p.m. to discuss the FY17 Budget.

Togliatti moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Greggain. Roll call-Ayes; Nelson, Greggain, Togliatti and Wren. Nays; none. Absent; T. Bradley and R. Bradley. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.



Pamela M. Noffsinger, Village Clerk