## COAL CITY VILLAGE BOARD MEETING JANUARY 24, 2018

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

At 7 p.m. on Wednesday, January 24, 2018 Mayor Terry Halliday called to order the meeting of the Coal City Village Board in the boardroom of the Village Hall. Roll call-Trustees Neal Nelson, Ross Bradley, Tim Bradley and Sarah Beach. Absent; Dan Greggain and Justin Wren. Also in attendance was Matt Fritz, village administrator, attorney Mark Heinle, Ryan Hansen from Chamlin Engineering and Police Chief Tom Best.

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the January 10, 2018 meeting were presented. Beach moved to approve the minutes as presented, second by R. Bradley. Roll call-Ayes; Nelson, Bradley, Bradley and Beach. Nays; none. Absent; Greggain and Wren. Motion carried.

Due to an item questioned on the warrant list, the warrant list will be presented later in this meeting.

There was no public comment.

Ordinance 18-04 a variance for 1179 Black Diamond Drive was presented to the Board. Mr. Fritz stated that Doug and Debra Henline were requesting the variance for the construction of a six-ft. vinyl fence on a corner side yard at Black Diamond Drive and Spring Road. Their property line lies two-ft. from the south sidewalk off Spring Road. A Public Hearing was held before the Coal City Planning and Zoning Board with no public comment. That Board is making the recommendation to approve the variance request. T. Bradley moved to adopt Ordinance 18-04 granting a variance to construct a 6 ft. tall fence within the corner side yard at 1179 Black Diamond Drive, second by Beach. Roll call-Ayes; Nelson, Bradley, Bradley and Beach. Nays; none. Absent; Greggain and Wren. Motion carried.

Resolution 18-02, the demolition of dangerous properties was presented to the Board. Mr. Fritz explained that two properties, 95 East Oak Street and 695 S. Kankakee Street are abandoned and a public safety hazard. Per the title research, all legal parties

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have been notified of the proceedings. R. Bradley moved to adopt Resolution 18-02 authorizing enforcement actions regarding dangerous structures at 95 East Oak Street and 695 S. Kankakee Street, second by Nelson. Roll call-Ayes; Nelson, Bradley, Bradley and Beach. Nays; none. Absent; Greggain and Wren. Motion carried.

Resolution 18-03, the settlement agreement between the Village of Coal City, Gendell Partners, LLC, Village of Diamond and Scaggs Development Corporation was explained by attorney Heinle. Mr. Fritz stated that the Village of Diamond had approved the Agreement at their meeting on January 23<sup>rd</sup>. Attorney Heinle explained the terms of the agreement and that the settlement amount would not be enough to replace the intersection at Richards/5<sup>th</sup> Avenue & Division. Comments from the Board included Trustee Nelson stating that he felt this is an unfair settlement to the Village of Coal City and Trustee T. Bradley said that one of the developers is still developing in the Village of Coal City. T. Bradley moved to adopt Resolution 18-03 approving a settlement agreement between the Village of Coal City & Diamond, Gendell Partners, LLC and Scaggs Development Corp., second by Beach. Roll call-Ayes; Nelson, Bradley, Bradley and Beach. Nays; none. Absent; Greggain and Wren. Motion carried.

Chief Best said that through the generosity of two businesses the police department has acquired two fleet cars. One of the cars is being donated by the business owners, D'Orazio Ford and Bank of Pontiac. While the other will be acquired for \$34,201. Mr. Fritz stated that FY2019 was slated for the purchase/replacement of one vehicle and FY2020 for the replacement of two vehicles. No purchase/replacement was planned for the current budget year. Because D'Orazio Ford had these two vehicles at the end of the year and partnered with the Bank of Pontiac to provide the Village with one donated vehicle, Chief Best had moved forward with the decision to acquire the two vehicles. The new marked SUV would be the new patrol car and the other new vehicle will be utilized by the Police Chief. The payment of \$34,201 will come from the FY19 budget after May 2018 and D'Orazio is in agreement to those terms. Chief Best said that one of the vehicles is already in play, licensed and titled. Mayor Halliday and several Trustees were disappointed in the actions of Chief Best by agreeing to the vehicle arrangement without consulting this Board. Chief Best apologized for not following the proper procedure, but did not want to pass up this great deal for the vehicles. R. Bradley moved to approve the purchase of two police fleet unites from D'Orazio Ford for \$34,201, second by Beach. Roll call-Ayes; Bradley, Bradley, Beach and Mayor Halliday. Nays; Nelson. Absent; Greggain and Wren. Motion carried.

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The warrant was presented for approval. T. Bradley moved to approve the warrant list as presented, second by Beach. Roll call-Ayes; Nelson, Bradley, Bradley and Beach. Nays; none. Absent; Greggain and Wren. Motion carried.

Trustee Beach presented a contract for park entertainment, namely Felix and Fingers Dueling Pianos. They are scheduled for July 28, 2018 from 7:30 p.m.-10:00 p.m. The fee for their service is \$2,750 with a deposit of \$900 due and payable upon execution. It was noted that the contract is already signed by Park Board member Georgette Vota. Trustee Nelson noted that the only person authorized to sign contracts on behalf of the Village is the Mayor. Attorney Heinle stated that documents of this nature can be signed by the Mayor or his designee. Trustee Beach stated that Mrs. Vota signed the contract in order to secure the date of the performance and that she will have the contract rectified for Mayor Halliday's signature. T. Bradley moved to authorize Mayor Halliday to enter into a contract for park entertainment with Felix and Fingers Dueling Pianos, second by Beach. Roll call-Ayes; Nelson, Bradley, Bradley and Beach. Nays; none. Absent; Greggain and Wren. Motion carried.

Mr. Fritz said that a South Broadway construction update was included in tonight's packet. Stephen Sugg from Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd. (CBBEL) will address the Board the second meeting in February following the January 30<sup>th</sup> subcommittee meeting. Board attendance was encouraged. Amongst the items to be discussed are reverse angle parking, lighting and the ITEP Grant.

T. Bradley stated that he has asked for a year end summary from the Public Works Department similar to the one supplied by the police department and asked Chief Best if he would assist Darrell Olson with his request. Chief Best agreed to assist.

Attorney Heinle informed the Board that there is a house bill presented, but not passed, regarding expenditures of public funds for training and seminars. There are some exceptions. Also, Attorney Heinle stated that the Village is following the legal procedures and procurement policies regarding the demo houses as previously discussed.

Chief Best reported that in light of the unexpected ice which occurred in the early hours of this day, there was much cooperation between the Coal City Public Works Department, Kent Bugg, Superintendent of the Coal City School District, Coal City Police Department and Matt Fritz from the Village, which resulted with no accidents reported

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and school opened an hour later than usual. Chief Best again apologized for his actions regarding the acquisition of police vehicles, but did not want to lose the opportunity to acquire a free car.

Mr. Fritz gave a presentation and report from his recent attendance at the NIU Financial Forum.

T. Bradley moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Beach. Roll call-Ayes; Nelson, Bradley, Bradley and Beach. Nays; none. Absent; Greggain and Wren. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Pamela M. Noffsinger, Village Clerk