

COAL CITY VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

AUGUST 25, 2021

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

At 7:03 p.m. on Wednesday, August 25th, 2021, Mayor Terry Halliday called to order the Public Hearing of the Coal city Village Board in the boardroom of the Village Hall. Roll call- trustees Dave Togliatti, Ross Bradley, Dan Greggain, Tim Bradley, and Sarah Beach all physically present. Absent was trustee Dave Spesia. Also in attendance were attorney Mark Heinle, Matt Fritz, village administrator, Police Chief Chris Harseim and Ryan Hansen from Chamlin Engineering.

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the August 11, 2021 meeting were presented. Trustee R. Bradley moved to approve the minutes as written, second by D. Togliatti. Roll call-Ayes; Togliatti, Bradley, Bradley, and Beach. Nays; none. Absent; Spesia. Motion Carried.

The minutes of August 25, 2021 public meeting were presented. The presented minutes are to be amended to make a correction conveying Ms. Beach made the motion to adjourn opposed to Mr. R. Bradley. Dan Greggain moved to approve the minutes with the amendment, second by R. Bradley. Roll call-Ayes; Togliatti, Bradley, Greggain, Bradley, and Beach. Nays; none. Absent; Spesia. Motion carried.

The warrant list was presented. Without any additional discussion, R. Bradley moved to approve the warrant list as presented, second by Beach. Roll call-Ayes; Togliatti, Bradley, Greggain, Bradley, and Beach. Nays; none. Absent; Spesia. Motion carried

There was no public comment at this meeting.

Ordinance 21-25, which allows for Coal City to proceed with the purchase of back taxes of 95 E. Oak Street, allowing the property to be purchased by the Village, was presented to the Board. Mr. Fritz explained the ordinance, detailing the history of previously demolishing structures at the property and placing a lien upon it. The cost of the purchase contract of \$895 with Grundy County was explained as well as the advantages of the Village obtaining the property. Following discussion, Greggain moved to approve the ordinance as presented, second by Togliatti. Roll call-Ayes; Togliatti, Bradley, Greggain, Bradley, and Beach. Nays; none. Absent; Spesia. Motion Carried.

Ordinance 21-26, which allows for Coal City to proceed with vacating the alley along the North side of Division between 1st and 2nd Avenues, was presented to the Board. Mr. Fritz explained the ordinance, detailing how an investigation was conducted at the site and it was

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deemed that vacating the premises and relieving the burden of its maintenance was of public interest. Following the discussion, T. Bradley moved to approve the ordinance as presented, second by R. Bradley. Roll call-Ayes; Togliatti, Bradley, Greggain, Bradley, and Beach. Nays; none. Absent; Spesia. Motion carried.

Mayor Halliday led the discussion on the appointment of Dave Greggain to the Police Pension Board, asking for clarification on whether it would be an issue to appoint Dan Greggain's brother. Attorney, Mark Heinle, stated that this would not be a problem. Chief Harseim stated he would ensure one of the Police Pension Board members will reach out to new appointee Greggain so he may begin serving in this capacity. Following the discussion, Beach moved to have the appointment approved, second by T. Bradley. Roll Call-Ayes; Togliatti, Bradley, Greggain, Bradley, and Beach. Nays; none. Absent; Spesia. Motion carried.

Mr. Fritz explained the circumstances of a petition for Avery/Powell Properties, LLC to annex an orphaned parcel identified as 09-02-202-017 and begin the process of incorporating the parcel allowing it to be consolidated into one residential property. Mayor Halliday enquired about the parcel and its characteristics, learning from Police Chief Harseim that the parcel has a substantial amount of overgrowth. Following the discussion, Greggain moved to accept the annexation petition, second by R. Bradley. Roll Call-Ayes; Togliatti, Bradley, Greggain, Bradley, and Beach. Nays; none. Absent; Spesia. Motion Carried.

Mayor Halliday reported that a special session should result in the Senate coming back on Tuesday. Tim Bradley expressed his belief that this meeting shall not include anything new regarding redistricting.

Sarah Beach reminded the Board that the Fall Fest on 9/18 will be a fun event with hopefully a huge turnout for attendees. Mayor Halliday expressed that after walking through the Hope Helps/Lions Park, the Public Works Department needs to blow grass off of the rubber mat areas and maintain an overall diligence in that area.

Tim Bradley updated the Board on his intent to call eight (8) senators about the energy legislation to be discussed next week. Also, "Go Coalers!" T. Bradley is looking forward to Mayor Halliday and Chief Harseim receiving bragging rights due to a victory at the upcoming football game this Friday. Dave Togliatti announced that he will be in attendance on Friday as well.

Attorney Mark Heinle reported that a UP Hearing shall occur August 26, 2021 at 11:00am; an update as to the status of all UP crossings within the village be known soon.

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Engineer Ryan Hansen reported that the wastewater treatment plant design is at a pre-final stage and should be available for advertisement at the end of September. All of the details are being worked out regarding the upcoming annual streets program with tar and chip hopefully taking place in the next two weeks. Mayor Halliday inquired as to Redd Road's completion and Mr. Hansen verified that it is to be completed within this year's program.

Police Chief Chris Harseim reported the previous month's departmental statistics and gave a summary of the PROAct Units' work to date. Trustee T. Bradley asked what will happen with seized vehicles, to which the Chief Harseim replied that it is mostly forfeiture that usually results in the vehicle car getting turned over. Any assets received get split amongst the original five member agencies. Chief Harseim reported the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners were not able to find a suitable recruit from the existing candidate list for the open patrol position. And, on September 14th at Campbell Park, Chief Harseim let everyone know there would be a dedication of a portion of State Route 113 to be memorialized for deceased Police Chief Denny Neary. Chief Harseim closed with discussion with an update regarding the department's vigilance and constant monitoring of the parks to protect the property and ensure residents may continue to enjoy the facilities.

Administrator Fritz reminded all in attendance of the next Farmer's Market that is set for Saturday, August 28th at Campbell Memorial Park. In addition, he provided an update regarding the review of new parks rules, which were brought before the board at the previous meeting. After some review by the Parks Board, the staff will create a recommendation and have something for review at an upcoming meeting.

Following the reports, T. Bradley moved to adjourn the meeting, second by beach. Roll call-Ayes; Togliatti, Bradley, Greggain, Bradley, and Beach. Nays; none. Absent; Spesia. Motion carried and meeting was adjourned at 8:38pm.


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(In attendance remotely)