

**COAL CITY VILLAGE BOARD MEETING  
APRIL 13, 2022**

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

At 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 13, 2022, Mayor Terry Halliday called to order the meeting of the Coal City Village Board in the boardroom of the Village Hall. Roll call- Trustees Dave Togliatti, Ross Bradley, Dan Greggain, Dave Spesia, Tim Bradley and Sarah Beach. Also in attendance were attorney Mark Heinle, Ryan Hansen from Chamlin Engineering, Police Chief Chris Harseim and Matt Fritz, village administrator.

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the March 23, 2022 First Public Hearing were presented. Spesia moved to approve the minutes as written, second by Beach. Roll call-Ayes; Beadley, Spesia, Bradley and Beach. Nays; none. Abstain, Togliatti and Greggain. Motion carried.

The minutes of the March 23, 2022 Second Public Hearing were presented. Spesia moved to approve the minutes as written, second by R. Bradley. Roll call-Ayes; Bradley, Spesia, Bradley and Beach. Nays; none. Abstain; Togliatti and Greggain. Motion carried.

The minutes of the March 23, 2022 regular Board meeting were presented. With one correction noted, Spesia moved to approve the minutes as written, second by R. Bradley. Roll call-Ayes; Bradley, Spesia, Bradley and Beach. Nays; none. Abstain; Togliatti and Greggain. Motion carried.

The corrected warrant list was distributed to the Board. Following review and comments, R. Bradley moved to approve the corrected warrant list, second by Greggain. Roll call-Ayes; Togliatti, Bradley, Greggain, Spesia, Bradley and Beach. Nays; none. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Rich Bushing, 1009 S. Mazon Street, Coal City

Mr. Bushing said that the maintenance department was doing a good job, but the north/south alley behind his residence located south of the railroad tracks, is in bad shape. The maintenance department have tried to fix and maintain the alley several times, but it always returns to standing puddles of water, gravel being shoved onto the

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sides of the alley, and leaving large ruts . In addition, a main sewer line runs down the center of the alley. Trustee Spesia stated that the Village is in the throngs of their street and alley projects for 2022 and that the issue will be looked into for a possible solution. Mr. Bushing was thanked for approaching the Board with his concern.

NCICG (North Central Illinois Council of Governments) gave a presentation regarding the Village's Housing Rehabilitation Program which was recently completed. Connie Buchanan, representing NCICG distributed before/after photos of some of the projects completed in the 10 houses of residents in the Village. She explained that some of the homes exceeded the \$50,000 max amount for rehabilitation and the balance was paid by the Kendall Grundy Action Committee. One contractor did all the repairs and the residents were very happy with the new improvements. Ms. Buchanan briefly explained the application process and that NCICG is waiting for approval from DCEO for the Village's next rehabilitation program. May 25<sup>th</sup> will be a ribbon cutting at the home located at 470 E. Division Street. The Board thanked Ms. Buchanan for the presentation and all the efforts of NCICG.

The Coal City Junior Women's Club presented a letter of request and Proclamation for the annual "Pinwheel Garden" in Campbell Memorial Park during the month of April to raise awareness of Child Abuse Awareness. Spesia moved to approve the request for the Pinwheel Garden in Campbell Memorial Park, second by T. Bradley. Roll call-Ayes; Togliatti, Bradley, Greggain, Spesia, Bradley and Beach. Nays; none. Motion carried.

Resolution 22-05 amending the FY22 Budget to allow necessary expenditures, was explained by Mr. Fritz along with the line items that will be affected. He stated that each year a similar amendment is approved by the Board which satisfies the annual audit. T. Bradley moved to adopt Resolution 22-05 amending the FY 22 Budget to allow for necessary expenditures, second by Spesia. Roll call-Ayes; Togliatti, Bradley, Greggain, Spesia, Bradley and Beach. Nays; none. Motion carried.

Resolution 22-06, approving the 2022 MFT and Non-MFT expenditures for the maintenance of the streets and alleys was reviewed and presented to the Board. This is a funding resolution for the amount of \$300,000 for IDOT approval. A Street & Alley meeting will review the proposed projects. Spesia moved to adopt Resolution 22-06 approving \$300,000 from the MFT funds for the 2022 street & alley projects, second by

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T. Bradley. Roll call-Ayes; Togliatti, Bradley, Greggain, Spesia, Bradley and Beach. Nays; none. Motion carried.

Resolution 22-07 regarding the projects within the American Recovery Plan (ARP) for FY23 was presented to the Board. Mr. Fritz informed the Board that this resolution will bind the Village to track the funds from the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund and any reporting requirements, as long as the funds are used for the intended purposes. These one-time funds by the federal government will be remitted by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunities. T. Bradley moved to adopt Resolution 22-07 providing for ARP Project Expenditures during the Fiscal Year 2023, second by R. Bradley. Roll call-Ayes; Togliatti, Bradley, Greggain, Spesia, Bradley and Beach. Nays; none. Motion carried.

Resolution 22-08 declaring 93 E. Oak Street as surplus property was presented to the Board. It was explained by Mr. Fritz that this property was acquired by the Village following the demolition of the abandoned home located thereon. Once declared as surplus property, a RFP (request for proposal) for the development and purchase of the property will be solicited for a single-family home. Greggain moved to adopt Resolution 22-08 declaring 95 E. Oak Street to be surplus property and directing issuance of a request for proposals for the acquisition and development of property, second by Spesia. Roll call-Ayes; Togliatti, Bradley, Greggain, Spesia, Bradley and Beach. Nays; none. Motion carried.

Beach announced that 168 surveys had been received regarding the Meadow Estates Park. The Park Committee will review the survey responses to determine the future development of the park.

T. Bradley requested a Finance Committee Meeting be scheduled before the next Village Board meeting on April 27<sup>th</sup>. He also wished everyone a Happy Easter.

Spesia stated that a Street & Alley Committee meeting will be scheduled in the near future.

Attorney Heinle announced that he would be out of the office next week but could be reached by phone and e-mail if necessary.

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Chief Harseim distributed the report of the Grundy County Proactive Unit and is preparing a map of the activity locations. He stated that the Fire & Police Board of Commissioners have prepared the eligibility list. Two new officer candidates will be sworn in at the next meeting. The Coal City Police force have acquired two positions at the Police Academy for May and September.

Mr. Fritz reported on the recent Illinois Municipal League Lobby Day he attended in Springfield, Illinois. He had the opportunity to speak with State Representative Dr. Bennett. May 4<sup>th</sup> is the annual GEDC/Chamber Dinner and the Village has reserved a table for the event. He asked for a list of those wishing to attend.

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

  
Pamela M. Noffsinger, Village Clerk