

**COAL CITY VILLAGE BOARD MEETING  
JUNE 8, 2022**

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

At 7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 8, 2022, 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 Dave Togliatti, Ross Bradley, Dan Greggain, Dave Spesia and Tim Bradley. Absent was Trustee Sarah Beach. Also in attendance were attorney Mark Heinle, Ryan Hansen from Chamlin Engineering, Police Chief Chris Harseim and village administrator, Matthew Fritz.

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the May 25, 2022 Public Hearing were presented for review. Greggain moved to approve the minutes as written, second by Spesia. Roll call-Ayes; Togliatti, Bradley, Greggain, Spesia and Bradley. Nays; none. Absent; Beach. Motion carried.

The minutes of the May 25, 2022 regular meeting were presented. Spesia moved to approve the minutes as written, second by Greggain. Roll call-Ayes; Togliatti, Bradley, Greggain, Spesia and Bradley. Nays; none. Absent; Beach. Motion carried.

The warrant list was presented to the Board. Following review, T. Bradley moved to approve the warrant list as written, second by Spesia. Roll call-Ayes; Togliatti, Bradley, Greggain, Spesia and Bradley. Nays; none. Absent; Beach. Motion carried.

A presentation by the Grundy County Proactive Unit was given. Chief Harseim described the organization which includes members of law enforcement from Channahon, Coal City, Minooka, Morris, Grundy County Sheriff's Department, Braidwood, and Seneca communities. Started in March 2021 the unit has generated over 120 reports and is active in 15 different communities; 123 warrants have been issued. The total amount of drugs seized is 73,618.96 grams, 10 seized vehicles, 9 firearms seized and \$16,334.00 also seized. Sheriff Briley organized the successful unit and introduced some of the participants and responsibilities in the unit. Chief Harseim presented Sheriff Briley with a plaque of recognition. The Board commended the Proact Unit on their success and helping to keep our communities safe.

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PUBLIC COMMENT

Samantha Schaller, 1092 Coalfield Drive, representing the Coaler Youth Softball League, approached the Board regarding the use of the baseball/softball fields for this newly organized girls' softball league. Discussion and questions included:

- Access to lighted ball fields
- Non-profit status of organization
- T-ball leagues and up for local girls
- Storage of equipment and supplies
- Utilizing assistance from local businesses
- Beginning spring of 2023

Mayor Halliday stated that the Village does not dictate the usage of the fields and expect each team and/or league to cooperate and respectfully distribute the usage of the Village's baseball/softball fields and work together in this endeavor. The Village will support their efforts.

Colleen Proffit, 1030 S. Sandstone, Diamond, Illinois, stated that she has issues regarding the registration and refund of the fees for the registration of her son into the 2022 baseball season. Mayor Halliday reiterated that the Village has no affiliation with the association personally except the permission for the usage of the fields.

Ordinance 22-12 regarding a fence variance at 125 S. Primrose to allow a fence inside the corner side yard was presented to the Board. Mr. Fritz said this issue came before the Planning and Zoning Board, was approved and is being recommended to this Board. The Petitioner, Jason Burns, stated that the fence would mirror the present fence located on the north side of his residence. He is requesting a 25' setback and not the required 32' from the existing walking path. R. Bradley moved to adopt Ordinance 22-12 granting a variance to 125 S. Primrose in order to construct a fence within the corner sideyard without any setback, second by Togliatti. Roll call-Ayes; Togliatti, Bradley, Greggain, Spesia and Bradley. Nays; none. Absent; Beach. Motion carried.

Ordinance 22-13 approving the Final Plat of Subdivision for ORLY Route 113 Subdivision was reviewed and presented to the Board. Mr. Fritz along with Attorney Heinle added the following points:

- Minor Subdivision
- Plat includes the vacated west alley
- Resubdivision of the property

- Consolidation of parcels into one PIN (Permanent Index Number)
- No new utilities
- No new streets
- Location of the O'Reillys Auto Parts Store

Togliatti moved to adopt Ordinance 22-13 approving the Final Plat of Subdivision for the ORLY Route 113 Resubdivision, second by Greggain. Roll call-Ayes; Togliatti, Bradley, Greggain, Spesia and Bradley. Nays; none. Absent; Beach. Motion carried.

A sealed bid opening was held for the abandoned property at 95 E. Oak Street. One bid was submitted in the amount of \$20,005 by Mark Scaggs for the construction of a single-family home. The Board will consider the bid at a later date.

An engineering proposal for the quiet zone was presented. Mr. Fritz explained the procedure and the several organizations involved in the process. Robinson Engineering has submitted a proposal for the diagnostic reviews under three tasks. Spesia moved to authorize Mayor Halliday to enter into a professional services Task 1 contract for the establishment of a quiet zone on the BNSF railroad line, second by Greggain. Roll call-Ayes; Togliatti, Bradley, Greggain, Spesia and Bradley. Nays; none. Absent; Beach. Motion carried.

A request for the establishment of an Ad Hoc Art Subcommittee was presented for the beautification and art projects within the Village. Those appointed by Mayor were Trustees Dave Spesia, Sarah Beach and Tim Bradley and Clerk Pam Noffsinger. Attorney Heinle reminded the Clerk that this will be a posted open meeting when scheduled.

Condolences were expressed by the Board to Trustee Dave Togliatti on the recent passing of his son.

Trustee T. Bradley also added condolences to the family of "Pidge" Smith, longtime resident and businessman in the Village.

Clerk Noffsinger said that tonight marks a milestone-the 24<sup>th</sup> anniversary to her being appointed Clerk of the Village of Coal City. Mayor Halliday and the Board thanked her for her service.

Attorney Heinle expressed his condolences to Trustee Togliatti with thoughts and prayers.

Ryan Hansen stated that the 2022 street maintenance bid letting will be scheduled in the near future and the results presented to the Board for approval.

Chief Harseim reviewed with the Board the recent Police Department Activity Report. He also announced the Dennis M. Neary Scholarship Fund fundraiser "Cops Can Cook" to be held on Saturday, June 11, 2022.

Mr. Fritz distributed the Mortgage Payoff Statement from the Bank of Pontiac for the property at 160 S. Broadway which the Village established a public parking lot. There is no penalty for pre-payment and the amount is approved in the budget. The payoff amount is \$125,322.66. In addition, the Kunes property, also presently a public parking lot on South Broadway is still under contractual payments. Chief Harseim stated that on that property is a small storage shed with water and that the police department presently uses the facility for pressure washing and cleaning the squad cars. The maintenance department is also included in the usage.

An update regarding the re-construction of the McDonald's at the intersection of Division Street and South Broadway was given by Mr. Fritz.

T. Bradley moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Greggain. Roll call-Ayes; Togliatti, Bradley, Greggain, Spesia, and Bradley. Nays; none. Absent; Beach. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

  
Pamela M. Noffsinger, Village Clerk