

COAL CITY VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 10, 2024

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

At 7:01 p.m. on Wednesday, January 10, 2024, Mayor Dave Spesia called to order the meeting of the Coal City Village Board in the boardroom at Village Hall. Roll call- Trustee Dave Togliatti, Dan Greggain, Pamela Noffsinger, Tim Bradley, Sarah Beach and Bill Mincey. Also in attendance were Mark Heinle, village attorney, Matt Halloran from Chamlin Engineering, Police Chief Chris Harseim and Matt Fritz, village administrator.

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

The regular meeting minutes of December 13, 2023, was presented. Mincey moved to approve the minutes as written, second by Beach. Roll call- Ayes; Togliatti, Greggain, Noffsinger, Bradley, Beach and Mincey. Nays; none. Absent; none. Motion carried.

The warrant list was presented. Bradley moved to approve the minutes as written, second by Greggain. Roll call- Ayes; Togliatti, Greggain, Noffsinger, Bradley, Beach and Mincey. Nays; none. Absent; none. Motion carried.

There was no public comment at this meeting.

Chief Harseim gave his recommendation of Michael T. Imhof as Sergeant of Coal City Police Department. Chief Harseim gave a brief work history of Sergeant Imhof. Chief Harseim showed his appreciation of Sergeant's hard work in the department and commended him for his service. Greggain moved to approve Chief Harseim's recommendation of Michael T. Imhof as the department's next patrol officer with rank of Sergeant, second by Beach. Ayes; Togliatti, Greggain, Noffsinger, Bradley, Beach and Mincey. Nays; none. Absent; none. Motion carried. At this time Village Clerk, Alexis Stone swore in Michael T. Imhof as Sergeant of Coal City Police Department. Michael T. Imhof introduced his family in attendance. Sergeant Imhof thanked his family and the community for their support and thanked the Chief and Board for this new opportunity.

Matt Fritz presented to the Board good news of the appointment of the village treasurer, Leanne Vota. Mr. Fritz gave a brief history of Leanne Vota's previous work history. Greggain moved to confirm Mayor Spesia's candidate, Leanne Vota for Village Treasurer, second by Mincey. Ayes; Togliatti, Greggain, Noffsinger, Bradley, Beach and Mincey. Nays; none. Absent; none. Motion carried. At this time, Village Clerk, Alexis Stone swore in Leanne Vota as Village Treasurer. Mayor Spesia commended Leanne Vota for taking on this new position and is looking forward to working with her in the future. Leanne Vota introduced her family at this time and thanked the Board for this new opportunity.

Ordinance 24-01, granting a variance at 910 E. Jese Court for the placement of a fence within the rear yard setback. Chris Collier is requesting a newly installed fence along Richards to possess a setback of 12'6" from the rear boundary of the property as opposed to the 25' setback requirement. The Zoning Board of Appeals gave a positive recommendation to adopt the ordinance. Bradley moved to approve Ordinance 24-01, granting a rear yard setback at 910 E. Jesse Court for the placement of a fence along Richards Street, second by Beach. Ayes; Togliatti, Greggain, Noffsinger, Bradley, Beach and Mincey. Nays; none. Absent; none. Motion carried.

Mr. Fritz explained to the Board, D Construction, who is the general contractor for the water treatment plant expansion project has been working on improvements to occur this upcoming year. Improvements to the plans has transpired with contracts with ComEd that included service to be ran underground from the existing pole line along the west side of N. Broadway under the roadway and onto the Public Works property into a designated pad alongside the future expanded building space. This improvement comes along with a cost upfront of \$5,089.05. This cost would be eligible to use IEPA low interest loans. Togliatti moved to authorize Mayor Spesia to enter into a Customer Work Agreement with ComEd to provide the necessary utility power supply drop to Coal City Public Works, second by Bradley. Ayes; Togliatti, Greggain, Noffsinger, Bradley, Beach and Mincey. Nays; none. Absent; none. Motion carried.

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Matt Halloran presented the recommendation for Brandt Excavating Inc. to complete the water main replacement project utilizing ARP funds to replace key infrastructure. Chamlin has reviewed the estimate of \$403,488.11 with the expectation of an added project for lead service repair. Chamlin will work with Brandt Excavating to utilize the unit bid prices. The Board had discussion regarding the future projects on Pine St. Greggain moved to award the 2024 Water Main Replacement Project to Brandt Excavating, Inc. at the lowest responsive bid cost of \$403,488.11 second by Bradley. Ayes; Togliatti, Greggain, Noffsinger, Bradley, Beach and Mincey. Nays; none. Absent; none. Motion carried.

Mayor Spesia gave a statement regarding the ongoing issues with migrant buses. Mayor Spesia explained we are in Grundy County which is a non-sanctuary county. Coal City Police Department is partnering with neighboring departments to prevent migrant buses coming through our community. Mayor Spesia also reported a previous incident in which a migrant bus was exiting off I-55 toward Diamond, where Coal City Police Department was dispatched and helped responding to the situation resulting in the migrant bus returning to I-55. Mayor Spesia welcomed the new year and went over exciting projects coming in the following year. Mayor Spesia is excited for the new possibilities for Coal City in 2024.

Trustee Bradley reported to the Board he is looking to schedule a finance committee meeting at the end of January. Bradley also commended the well installation contractors and fire department for all their hard work regarding the new well project at Fire Station #1.

Mark Heinle, village attorney reminded the Board to utilize their legal team with any questions that the community might present regarding the migrant buses.

Matt Halloran from Chamlin Engineer gave an update regarding the Second Ave project. Water service work is underway, and they still plan on working through the season until the weather gets severe. Halloran also reported the water treatment plant is still scheduled to start in March.

Chief Harseim gave end of year reports. Chief Harseim wanted to thank the Village Board and Commissioners Board again for hiring Sergeant Imhof, he explained this is going to benefit the police department immensely.

Matt Fritz, village administrator reported to the Board that budget season is approaching, and the budgetary plan adoptions are coming soon. Mr. Fritz also wanted to acknowledge a boy scout (Jonah Micetich) who attended our meeting tonight, to interview the village administrator and sit in a board meeting to earn his badge.

Bradley moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:33p.m., second by Beach. Ayes; Togliatti, Greggain, Noffsinger, Bradley, Beach and Mincey. Nays; none. Absent; none. Motion carried.



Alexis Stone, Village Clerk