

**COAL CITY  
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING  
Monday, August 26, 2024  
7:00 P.M.**

**AGENDA**

1. Call meeting to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approval of Minutes                      Regular Meeting 08/12/2024
4. Approval of Warrant List
5. Public Comment
6. Expenditure Approval – Field #1 Lion’s Park Press Box
7. Permission for Right of Way Utilization – Touchdown Club
8. Authorize Emergency Siren Contract – Fulton Technologies
9. Report of Mayor

10. Report of Trustees

B. Mincey  
C. Lauterbur  
T. Bradley  
P. Noffsinger  
D. Greggain  
D. Togliatti

11. Report of Village Clerk

12. Report of Village Attorney

13. Report of Village Engineer

14. Report of Chief of Police

15. Report of Village Administrator

16. Executive Session

- a. Approve Executive session minutes ILCS 5 120/2 (c)(21)
- b. Collective Bargaining Agreement ILCS 5 120/2 (c)(2)

15. Adjourn

**MEMO**

**TO:** Mayor Spesia and the Board of Trustees

**FROM:** Matthew T. Fritz  
Village Administrator

**MEETING**

**DATE:** August 26, 2024

**RE: LION'S PARK FIELD #1 PRESSBOX IMPROVEMENTS**

Earlier this summer, Coal City Baseball requested an assessment of the condition of the pressbox/storage area behind home plate at Field #1, which is located across the street from Lions Hall. Kyle Watson, the Village's Building Inspector provided an assessment of what must be fixed and the manner in which the club should work to make the improvements. Attached is a request that is responsive to these needs and will improve the existing structure and ensure the safety of the current structure is increased.

A few months ago, Coal City Baseball requested that Coal City contributed ½ of the total cost of these improvements, since they are hosted on the Village's Lions Park property. At the last meeting of the park Board, they supported the approval of reimbursing half of the cost of the rehabilitation of this structure. Attached is the request along with an estimate of \$6,150 to complete the necessary work.

**Recommendation:**

Authorize the reimbursement of half of the total work to occur to rehabilitate the Field #1 Pressbox/Storage Area for an estimated \$3,075.



# COALIER YOUTH BASEBALL

Po Box 52 Coal City, IL, 60416  
CoalierYouthBaseball@gmail.com

8/22/24

To Whom it may concern,

Coalier Youth Baseball League is a non profit baseball league created 2 years ago to keep our youth playing baseball in Coal City. In our first two years we have been working with the village of Coal City and have made many improvements to the Lions Park Fields. We fenced off field 3( with support from Parks Board and CYSL), repaired all score boards so they are functional, added Pa system to Field 1, replaced the hot water heater at concessions, had the stove top repaired at concessions, replaced netting at batting cage ( spring 2025), and much more. Our goal is to provide the Village with a nice, safe place for their youth to play baseball. That being said when we discovered the damage at Field 1 press box we were greatly concerned since that houses our tractor, field equipment, chalk, etc. We immediately started asking for quotes from local contractors. We had James P Construction come out and take a look and said the main foundation boards at bottom on the stair side are rotting away and disintegrating. He is not sure how much longer it will stay standing if no repairs are done. We then made the city aware who sent out the village inspector( report attached). Recently we attended the Parks board meeting and we discussed who would be responsible for the cost to repair the press box. Per our contract with the village it was determined CYBL would need to split the cost with the Park Board. James P Construction provided us with a bid for this job with a cost of \$6150 (bid attached). We are writing to see if the village will approve us to move forward with scheduling the repairs this fall and splitting the cost. This is something we hope to have taken care of before next season so we can allow teams to access the pa system and use the press box to control the scoreboard. Once repairs are done we would like to have a future conversation with the Parks Board on maintaining the repaired press box and what CYBL responsibilities will be to prevent future large expenses. Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thanks

Coalier Youth Baseball League  
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**JAMES P CONSTRUCTION**

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#1 field stair and wall repair as well as concrete ledger board:

After inspection on field #1 press box and storage shed, I notice the north/east wall sill completely rotted and disintegrated which is the same side the main stair case is located. and stairs are rotted as well. I believe the problem is from the grade being too close to the wall and water is returning to the building from the concrete pad which is slightly pitched back from settlement. And the siding does not have any Z flashing which is causing the side to rot. I will replace entire stair case with anti-slip treads and re due all stringers and new hand rails and bolts. The wall will be replaced on the bottom half of the north/west side. I will build a 4-inch x 6-inch concrete box sill to keep wood off the ground and build on top of this new mini footing. I will replace entire north /west side of siding with T-111 and flash and caulk where needed to prevent water from getting behind the siding. We will repaint entire building to village or customers preference. Please note this is just a proposal and if we accept this proposal we will move forward wit a wall plan and a breakdown of full work once we apply for any permit for this repair work

Total cost of this project: \$6150.00

Please note this is a 2 story building and the main stairs is on the rotted side and the 2<sup>nd</sup> story support is on the rotted side , so we have a slight safety factor here.

**X**

*Accept*

Pleom city Inspector

### Field 1 Press Box Repairs

1. Exterior sheathing
  - a. Simple Solution- Replace all exterior sheathing with like materials and paint heavily with durable exterior paint
  - b. Best Solution- Remove current exterior sheathing. Replace with plywood or particle board. Wrap sheathing in Tyvek and install siding
2. Sill plate
  - a. Only solution- Jack building up and replace all sill plate with treated lumber and install foam sill base. Install "red head" wedge anchors. Tighten anchor bolts until foam base is pressed firm to prevent the passage of moisture. Replacing the sill plate will allow the garage door frame to be secured in place.
3. Stairs
  - a. With same style exterior sheathing- Replace ledge board and install some form of drip edge to prevent rain etc. from rotting the exterior sheathing in which the ledger board fasteners are penetrating through.
  - b. With new siding- Add new posts to make the stairs free standing until the landing at the door. This will block all pathways for water to enter the first floor.
4. Roof
  - a. There is a small leak in the southeast corner. It is small enough that it can likely be fixed with some roofing tar. Roof sheathing is still in good enough shape that simply fixing the leak should prevent further rot/damage.

Went to Sarah Beach

Darrell  
Corkins

## MEMO

**TO:** Mayor Spesia and the Board of Trustees

**FROM:** Matthew T. Fritz  
Village Administrator

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**RE: ROW UTILIZATION FOR THE TOUCHDOWN CLUB**

The Coal City Touchdown Club is proposing some changes in the manner in which it provides the additional cheer to which Coaler fans have become accustomed. The incorporation of a new turf field and lighting at the new competition field along with the school's recent adoption of the Charlie Coaler logo provides an opportunity to begin providing the football/cheerleading fall activities décor in a new manner.

Representatives of the Touchdown Club will be at the meeting to discuss a plan by which newly created flags will be utilized along S. Broadway and Division during some of the fall months. The typical posting of American flags has become less over the past few years in an effort to maintain the impact of their posting and limiting their exposure to the sun (when they are up all of the way from May through November, passersby tend to no longer even notice they are posted on the street lights). The Touchdown Club is purchasing all of the parts required by the Coal City Public Works to provide similar flags in quality, but would be posted on village street light posts from around the beginning of the school year until some point after Homecoming.

This timing would not interfere with any of the traditional American flag posting times and would allow the Coaler symbol to be flown during a majority of the fall sports season. This plan is acceptable to Public Works, but the change in practice in something that should be authorized by the Board since it will involve the work of the village staff and allow a new flag to be flown on the Coal City street lights.

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**RE: FULTON TECHNOLOGIES CONTRACT**

Fulton Technologies maintains the Village’s sirens each year. Due to their servicing, the Village pays about \$1,000 per year dependent upon any parts replacement. This amount is included within the Police Department’s contractual budget. Although this is a minimal amount, the request is for a contract of service, which must receive the consent of Mayor Spesia. This contract would obtain this service through the end of the next fiscal year, i.e. April 30, 2025. Fulton has historically been utilized for the maintenance of the Village’s sirens, which is why the contract has lagged behind the beginning of the contract year for the current fiscal year.

**Recommendation:**

Authorize Mayor Spesia to enter into a contract with Fulton Technologies to maintain the Village’s sirens.





Village of Coal City
2024/2025 Outdoor Warning Siren System Annual Maintenance Contract

This is a contract proposal to perform annual maintenance for your Outdoor Warning Siren System. This includes the following on an annual basis for the fiscal year of May 1, 2024 through April 30, 2025. We will perform the following:

- Clean and check contactors in control cabinets.
• Verify no moisture problems in control cabinets.
• Test Data Radio RF power, frequency, and audio levels.
• Test RTU heater circuit and thermostat.
• Test RTU battery and charger. \*Change battery if over five years old or fails load test.
• Check and verify encode and decode signals on radio system.
• Test each command signal for proper timing and function.
• Test each RTU channel for proper status change reporting.
• Check and test siren batteries and fill with distilled water if necessary. \*Change batteries if over five years old or fails load test.
• Check and test siren charging system and all motor controls.
• Check antenna, antenna cable and connectors.
• Check and test grounding system and provide ground rod reading:
• Test siren head heater circuit and thermostat.
• Inspect all relay contacts and connections.
• Check for any apparent breakage, wear and tear or vandalism and report same to owner.
• Inspect siren equipment for looseness or any condition that may compromise the reliability and useful life of the equipment.
• Perform inspection of surge protections system and notify the owner of deficiencies.
• Growl test performed after completion of preventive maintenance.

This contract includes all labor, equipment and material for general maintenance. \*Any defective parts or components found will be repaired or replaced at an additional charge to the owner with an additional labor charge to perform the repair. This is in addition to the basic contract amount approved, if major repairs are necessary, we will contact the owner for approval.

Maintenance Amount: \$1,058.91
Two (2) Federal 5Ts & One (1) Federal 2T22

PLEASE! Do not send payment now, this is not a bill. You will be invoiced after maintenance is completed.

PROPOSED BY:

ACCEPTED BY:

John E. Vistine

(Sign)

JOHN E. VISTINE

FULTON SIREN SERVICES

Date: 5/16/2024

(Sign)

(Print name)

(Title)

Date: