

## Ray Coyle

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**From:** Ray Coyle <raycoyle@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, October 02, 2017 10:11 AM  
**To:** Ray Coyle  
**Subject:** FW: Retaining Wall & Fence on the Ball House

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From: Hayley Ball [hayleythomas6550@gmail.com]  
Sent: Wednesday, March 8, 2017 9:19 AM  
To: Kristin Coyle; Emerson Ball  
Cc: Ray Coyle  
Subject: Re: Retaining Wall & Fence on the Ball House

Hi Kristin and Ray,

Thanks for sending over your concerns. When we begin getting estimates at the end of the month, we'll show these to the contractors.

We also will be having a professional survey done of our property within the next couple weeks before start receiving estimates for the fence and retaining wall.

Thanks!

On Sun, Mar 5, 2017 at 10:01 PM, Kristin Coyle <[k.coyle@yahoo.com](mailto:k.coyle@yahoo.com)<<mailto:k.coyle@yahoo.com>>> wrote:  
Hi,

We appreciate the opportunity to discuss our questions and potential concerns about the replacement of the retaining wall and fence between our properties.

We understand the need for replacement. Our main questions/concerns are as follows:

- 1) We hope the retaining wall contractor is insured, bonded and licensed to work in St. Paul when the work is performed in case there are any issues.
- 2) We do not get any water coming into our basement. We are concerned that if heavy equipment is used to remove or build the new retaining wall and/or fence, that it will change how water drains around our home. We would like confirmation from the contractor that our landscaping (slope/grass) and concrete sidewalk will be the same as before the replacement and if any damage is caused that it will be remedied to our satisfaction at no cost to us.
- 3) We would prefer that heavy equipment is not used but understand this may be cost prohibitive. The current concrete blocks are crumbling and we believe they could be removed with a jack hammer and hauling away. That method would be preferred as it would limit the damage to our raspberry bushes. We would be willing to have the contractor remove a portion of the raspberries to gain access to tear down and replace the retaining wall without equipment.
- 4) If equipment has to be used, we would like at least 1 week's advance notice so the contractor can transplant our raspberry bushes as suggested last year. We would appreciate the transplanting of the raspberries occur after the ground frost is gone.

5) We hope the work is completed in a timely manner. We would prefer the contractor not try to "squeeze" the job in between already scheduled jobs. Our experience has been that the work gets dragged out when that happens. We will be replacing our garage this summer and would like to coordinate the timing so that we don't have contractors for each project working in our yard at the same time.

6) We would like confirmation from the contractor that they will remove all debris and return our yard to its present condition upon completion of the project.

Thank you for allowing us this opportunity. We'd be happy to discuss any of these items with you.

Kristin and Ray

On Sunday, February 26, 2017 11:05 AM, Hayley Ball  
<[hayleythomas6550@gmail.com](mailto:hayleythomas6550@gmail.com)<<mailto:hayleythomas6550@gmail.com>>> wrote:

For the retaining wall, we are just looking at something simple, durable and cost effective. Leaning towards brick, concrete block or stone veneer. We'll see what the landscaping company recommends.

For the fence, we will be putting in a wood fence that looks exactly like Mike and Sue's on our other side. We're planning on using the same fencing company. The retaining wall will have to go in first.

On Sat, Feb 25, 2017 at 2:18 PM, Kristin Coyle <[k.coyle@yahoo.com](mailto:k.coyle@yahoo.com)<<mailto:k.coyle@yahoo.com>>> wrote:  
Hi Hayley and Emerson, thank you for the email and information. We were wondering if you had a style picked out. Will it be similar to what you have now or something different? Thanks! Kristin and Ray

> On Feb 25, 2017, at 11:53 AM, Hayley Ball <[hayleythomas6550@gmail.com](mailto:hayleythomas6550@gmail.com)<<mailto:hayleythomas6550@gmail.com>>> wrote:

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> Hi Kristin and Ray,

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> Hope you're both having a nice weekend. We just wanted to send an email because we are going to be having consultations and estimates done to replace the retaining wall and fence that borders our homes. The fence and retaining wall are both starting to lean and we'd like to clean it up and replace it as soon as possible.

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> While we are getting consultations done, we want to make sure that if you have any concerns, we're able to address them with the contractors as well and get questions answered. If you have a list of questions/concerns, we plan to begin contacting companies by the first week of March to set appointments.

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> Please let us know if you have any questions.

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> Thanks!

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> Hayley and Emerson