

**/9+VILLAGE OF ROUND LAKE HEIGHTS
619 W. PONTIAC COURT – BOARD ROOM
COMMITTEE MEETING –JANUARY 15, 2008**

CALL TO ORDER

The Village of Round Lake Heights Committee Meeting was called to order by Mayor Lumpkins at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Trustee Meeks = Present	Trustee Mahoney = Present
Trustee Walker = Present	Trustee Katzel = Present
Trustee Faught = Present	Trustee Germann = Present
Mayor Lumpkins = Present	Village Clerk Mahoney = Absent

Mayor Lumpkins requested to amend the agenda to keep Audience Comments after Roll Call.

MOTION

A motion was made by Trustee Faught, Seconded by Trustee Walker and unanimously passed to approve the amendment to the agenda as requested by Mayor Lumpkins.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

Traffic Study

A resident stated that he was able to review the traffic study and also that he is not in favor of raising or not raising the speed limit. He was always in favor of getting a fair and proper traffic study and look at it seriously. The resident stated that what he saw were a lot of things that were not done properly. This resident stated that he spoke with Metro today. The resident stated that there were measurement tubes used that were impossible to track. The resident stated that they took into consideration people backing out of their driveway if they went over the speed tubes. The resident stated that fifteen percent of the people were going less than four miles per hour on Cheyenne. The resident stated that he confirmed with Metro that there is not a fifteen hundred feet school zone on Lotus. The resident stated that Metro produced a rule that is per the school district's request and is one-fourth mile and does not apply to that road. The resident stated that the school zone would only be in effect on school days when school is in session. The resident stated that there were 450 incidences of people going 10 mph over the speed limit in three days. The resident stated that there were two tickets written in that six-month period.

Another resident stated that the traffic study states that according to Illinois Vehicle Code the posted speed limit within a residential district should not be less than thirty miles per hour unless otherwise supported by field data in an engineering study. The resident stated that the people in the traffic study agree with him and everyone else except the Board members in this village. The resident stated that he also agrees with Ed and their analysis of not measuring Lotus Drive. The resident stated that

in his opinion they did not want to measure that data because it would skew the rest of the data and their reasoning is not based on any stated law. The resident stated that 58% of our community violated the speed limit, 3,846 violations, by going twenty miles over. The resident stated that if you extrapolate that over seven months it comes to 269,220 violations and we should call in the National Guard because we have a real problem. The resident stated that from June to December 2007 there were two speeding violations on our neighborhood streets excluding Lotus. The resident stated that the traffic study states that the entire village should be twenty miles per hour for consistency. The resident stated that the posted speed limit sign spacing should be 660 feet to 1,320 feet per Illinois State law.

There was discussion about the amount of time left for a resident. A resident stated that the meeting started three minutes early. Mayor Lumpkins stated that he is going by the clock in front of him and the meeting started at 7:00 p.m. and it is now 7:06 p.m. A resident asked the Board members if they had any objection to him contacting the mayor on the phone to discuss more since he is out of time at this meeting and there were no objections.

Another resident stated that he disagrees with how the other residents are timed. The resident stated that the traffic study should have been done before and either paid for by Pasquinelli or Neumann. The resident stated that the village wasted the nine thousand dollars. The resident stated that the one time he saw that the traffic study was being conducted was at the end of Black Cherry on the corner. The resident stated that he tried to speed over the tube by “flooring my vehicle” but was unable to even reach twenty miles per hour due to the corner. The resident stated that he feels this was not an accurate study. The resident stated that either an incompetent company did the traffic study or there was miscommunication on what we wanted from that study.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Holiday Decorating Contest

Mayor Lumpkins stated that 2292 Iroquois won first place in the holiday decorating contest and second place went to 2472 Iroquois and third place went to 2332 Prairie. We also had two honorable mention winners and all of the winners were posted in our newsletter.

Office Computers

Mayor Lumpkins stated that two of the office computers are old and slow, the Village Clerk’s computer and the one up front in the main office. The last computer we replaced is the one Maribel is using. Mayor Lumpkins stated that he is looking to replace the two older computers and the state bid is \$498.00 each through CDW. Trustee Meeks questioned if we are also purchasing monitors and Mayor Lumpkins stated that the current

monitors are fine and we would not be purchasing new monitors. This will be on the Board agenda for approval.

Festival Mayor Lumpkins stated that last year we did not do the festival and asked the Board how they feel about doing a festival this year. Mayor Lumpkins stated that there were a lot of residents that enjoy the festival and missed it last year. Discussion ensued amongst the Board. The Board expressed the concern of not being able to get enough volunteers to help at the festival and agreed to have the festival for one day. The festival will be on the agenda at the next meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was nothing to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Safety There was nothing to report.

Public Works There was nothing to report.

Building & Zoning There was nothing to report.

Sewer & Water There was nothing to report.

Administration There was nothing to report.

Ordinances Trustee Germann stated that Maribel is working on the criminal damage to property ordinance and hopes to have it next week.

OLD BUSINESS

CDBG 2008 Mayor Lumpkins stated that we applied for \$150,000 through the Community Development Block Grant and the highest award is only \$75,000 due to drastic cut backs on their part. We will have to scale down our project.

NEW BUSINESS There was nothing to report.

MOTION A motion was made by Trustee Faught, Seconded by Trustee Meeks and unanimously passed to adjourn.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:15 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan A. Mahoney
Village Clerk