

**VILLAGE OF ROUND LAKE HEIGHTS
619 W. PONTIAC COURT – BOARD ROOM
BOARD MEETING – MARCH 11, 2008**

CALL TO ORDER

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board said the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

ROLL CALL

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

Also Present = Chief Johnson, Donald Anderson and his wife, Derrick Warner, Richard Lumpkins, Jeff Kissinger, Ed Liberman, Dominick Mahoney and a female resident

Mayor Lumpkins asked for a motion amend the agenda to delete B. Chief Johnson under Administration. Mayor Lumpkins stated that we have an appointment under Administration that Chief Johnson will talk about.

MOTION

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

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

- Ethics Committee** Jeff Kissinger stated that village does not require an ethics commission but if the village does not have one that the attorney would be the ethics representative. Jeff Kissinger stated that if a trustee violates the State Officials Employee Ethics Act that the village attorney would be the one responsible for prosecuting the Board member.
- Resident Comment** Jeff Kissinger stated that a threat was made to Ed Liberman at the last meeting and asked the Board if they would like to comment on this. Trustee Katzel stated that he has known Rich for a long time and that he didn't mean it but just got caught up in the moment. Trustee Katzel stated that he does not approve of the comment made.
- Richard's Chicken** Jeff Kissinger stated that he feels Richard Lumpkins knew that the FOI was submitted to the village and that was the reason he was here in the first place. Jeff Kissinger stated that other people would not have that luxury. Jeff Kissinger stated that there were 464 calls to Richard's

Chicken and that the 2:00 a.m. to 4:00 a.m. or the 2:00 a.m. to 3:00 a.m. weekday grant should not be given to that bar.

- School Buses Jeff Kissinger stated that he took pictures of the buses speeding and sent the pictures along with the bus numbers in an email to the mayor. Jeff Kissinger asked if there was an update on this and Mayor Lumpkins asked Chief Johnson to answer him. Chief Johnson stated that he was up there and the bus number that Jeff had referenced at the time indicated was going two miles per hour over the speed limit. Chief Johnson stated that he was on another call this morning so he was not able to go today to watch the buses and will work on it this week.
- Richard's Chicken Ed Liberman stated that the numbers regarding the calls to Richard's were large and did not match up but that Cindy is looking in to this. Ed stated that the preliminary numbers show that the increase in the numbers seems to have happened after the extension of the hours. Ed stated that this is not a personal attack and he does not wish harm to the establishment. Ed stated that we need to figure out a solution that creates a safer environment than what we have. Ed Liberman stated that a resident sent him an email yesterday that stated late Saturday night, early Sunday morning, an officer was hit in the head with a pool cue and a customer was tasered.
- Resident Comment Richard Lumpkins stated that he would like to apologize to the gentleman for his comment at the last meeting and stated that it was made in the heat of the moment.
- Richard's Chicken Richard Lumpkins stated that he submitted a tape of what had happened last Saturday night and that it was of no fault to the club whatsoever. Richard Lumpkins stated that it was a little over reacted on the part of the Round Lake Beach police department and that he would like the Board to review the tape.
- Snow Removal Dominick Mahoney stated that he would like to thank the village for the great job of the snow removal this year.
- Parking Ordinance Dominick Mahoney stated that a couple weeks ago a police officer was called to his house for a blocked sidewalk. Dominick stated that the sidewalk was blocked because someone was waiting in their running car to pick up their daughter so that by the time the police officer arrived the car had already left. Dominick Mahoney stated that he thought this was ridiculous and questioned what the ordinance is as far as blocking the sidewalk. Mayor Lumpkins stated that the police probably came because someone called this in and that if you are parking across the sidewalk it is in violation. Dominick Mahoney asked if the Board was aware of these types of calls being made and Mayor Lumpkins stated that there are. Mayor Lumpkins stated that the common sense of the officer would

prevail in these situations. Dominick Mahoney stated that these calls are pulling an officer away from somewhere that could be very important and even life threatening.

MINUTES The minutes were reviewed by the Board.

MOTION A motion was made by Trustee Meeks, Seconded by Trustee Mahoney and unanimously passed to approve the February 5, 2008 Committee Meeting minutes, February 12, 2008 Board Meeting minutes, February 19, 2008 Committee Meeting minutes and March 4, 2008 Committee Meeting minutes.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT The February 2008 Collector's Report for the General Fund was reviewed.

MOTION A motion was made by Trustee Faught, Seconded by Trustee Germann and unanimously passed to approve the February 2008 Collector's Report for the General Fund.

TREASURER'S REPORT The Board reviewed the Treasurer's Report for February 2008.

MOTION A motion was made by Trustee Meeks, Seconded by Trustee Faught and unanimously passed to approve February 2008 Treasurer's Report as presented.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Mayor's Appointment and Re-Appointments

Mayor Lumpkins asked Chief Johnson to introduce the new police officer.

Chief Johnson first stated that he just got back in town and is not sure but that in response to the numbers referred to by Ed earlier that the high number might be the "P" numbers. Chief Johnson stated that every time an officer gets out of his car, goes to the bank, goes to lunch or leaves the village hall that he gets a "P" number and those numbers are high. Chief Johnson asked Derrick Warner if the fire department gets the "P" number and Derrick Warner stated that they get a "P" number but they ignore those.

Chief Johnson introduced Don Anderson, who is a new officer for the village that he would like the Board to appoint. Chief Johnson stated that Don Anderson has passed our background check. Mayor Lumpkins asked Don Anderson to come forward to be sworn in by Clerk Mahoney. Clerk Mahoney swore Donald Anderson in and then congratulated him along with the Board.

Mayor Lumpkins asked for a motion to appoint Donald Anderson as a part time police officer from March 11, 2008 to March 11, 2009.

MOTION

A motion was made by Trustee Meeks, Seconded by Trustee Mahoney and unanimously passed to appoint Donald Anderson as a part time police officer from March 11, 2008 to March 11, 2009.

Mayor Lumpkins asked for a motion to re-appoint William Rundall as Director of Inspection Services from March 13, 2008 to March 13, 2009.

MOTION

A motion was made by Trustee Faught, Seconded by Trustee Mahoney and unanimously passed to re-appoint William Rundall as Director of Inspection Services from March 13, 2008 to March 13, 2009.

Mayor Lumpkins asked for a motion to re-appoint Pat Meeks as a building inspector from March 14, 2008 to March 14, 2009.

MOTION

A motion was made by Trustee Mahoney, Seconded by Trustee Katzel and roll call was taken.

Trustee Meeks = Abstain

Trustee Mahoney = Aye

Trustee Walker = Absent

Trustee Katzel = Aye

Trustee Faught = Aye

Trustee Germann = Aye

The motion passed to re-appoint Pat Meeks as a building inspector from March 14, 2008 to March 14, 2009.

Flowers Expenditure for Senator Adeline Geo-Karis

Mayor Lumpkins asked for a motion to approve the expenditure of \$113.00 for flowers for Senator Adeline Geo-Karis.

MOTION

A motion was made by Trustee Faught, Seconded by Trustee Germann and unanimously passed to approve the expenditure of \$113.00 for flowers for Senator Adeline Geo-Karis.

Schwann's Solicitor Permit

Mayor Lumpkins asked for a motion to approve the solicitor's permit for Schwann's.

MOTION

A motion was made by Trustee Faught, Seconded by Trustee Germann and unanimously passed to approve the solicitor's permit for Schwann's.

National Women's History Month Proclamation

Mayor Lumpkins asked for a motion to proclaim the month of March 2008 as Women's History Month and recognize this year's theme of "Women's Art: Women's Vision" in the Village of Round Lake Heights.

MOTION

A motion was made by Trustee Meeks, Seconded by Trustee Katzel and unanimously passed to proclaim the month of March 2008 as Women's History Month and recognize this year's theme of "Women's Art: Women's Vision" in the Village of Round Lake Heights.

Festival

Mayor Lumpkins stated that we locked in Budweiser and they will give us a trailer to use. We have locked in Sammie's and Pizza Hut for our food vendors. Mayor Lumpkins stated that we might be able to eliminate the cost for the deejay by going with the \$900 stage that includes lighting and equipment. We would not need to hire a deejay since we would have the equipment but would just need someone to help run it. A stage alone would cost \$600. The Board agreed to go with the \$900 stage. Mayor Lumpkins stated that we received a commitment from the fireworks company and that they will contact the fire department to submit all the paperwork. Trustee Faught stated that we are sending out flyers to find crafters. Trustee Katzel stated that he is waiting on a couple faxes for the blowups. Trustee Mahoney stated that he is checking on a couple bands.

CORRESPONDENCE

Clerk Mahoney reported that newsletters received were Round Lake Area Chamber News, InTransit, Legislative Bulletin and Illinois Municipal Review.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Safety

Trustee Meeks reported that she received a memo from Chief Johnson that states that squad #9 has a 16 year-old overhead light bar that is not working anymore and has been repaired several times over the years. We received a price from Havey Communications in the amount of \$1,218.00 for a demo bar including installation.

MOTION

A motion was made by Trustee Meeks, Seconded by Trustee Mahoney and unanimously passed to approve the expenditure of \$1,218.00 for a demo overhead light bar from Havey Communications for squad #9.

Trustee Meeks reported that violations for the month of February were 91 moving, 23 ordinance, 18 non-traffic and 16 warning citations.

Public Works

Trustee Mahoney stated that we are waiting for the new truck and it should be here by March 14.

Mayor Lumpkins passed a map to Trustee Mahoney with streets highlighted that Bud Kowalski feels we need to re-pave. Mayor Lumpkins stated that the pink highlights are streets that Bud feels we can do ourselves with the new truck. The yellow highlights are streets that the Board had previously approved to repair through Superior Paving and they

have not had time to repair them yet. Bud will coordinate with Superior Paving to immediately repair those areas. Hiawatha, Warrior and Tomahawk appear to have had the worst damage over the winter. Mayor Lumpkins asked Trustee Mahoney to go through the village and see if he agrees with what Bud has marked and to bring this back to the Board so we can get approval and get the repairs made as soon as possible.

Building & Zoning There was nothing to report.

Sewer & Water Mayor Lumpkins stated that we have a company that can come out as early as Thursday to jet vac the pond in front of the village hall. If it takes them two days for the job it would cost three thousand dollars a day. The company seems to think that they could do the job in one day, which would only cost three thousand dollars total. This is the same company that worked on the pond last time. They will power rod the fifteen inch line all the way down. The Board agreed to have the company do this job and this would be approved at the next Board meeting.

Administration Trustee Faught reported that the Finance Committee reviewed the Warrant List and found everything to be in order.

MOTION A motion was made by Trustee Faught, Seconded by Trustee Katzel and unanimously passed to approve the March 2008 Warrant List and to pay the bills.

Ordinances There was nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS

Parking on Village Street

Mayor Lumpkins stated that last week Mrs. Liberman was here and questioned why she was denied permission to park on the street. Mayor Lumpkins stated that there was snow on that day and that Bud Kowalski was out plowing that day and was out until about 10:00 clearing driveways. Since Bud was out plowing and snow was anticipated that day the police officer denied permission to park on the street when the request came in that morning. Mayor Lumpkins showed the paper with the weather forecast for that day and the report for the request and he also stated that he pulled Bud's worksheet for that day to see his activities.

NEW BUSINESS There was nothing to report.

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

ADJOURNMENT: 7:23 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan A. Mahoney
Village Clerk