

**VILLAGE OF ROUND LAKE HEIGHTS  
619 W. PONTIAC COURT – BOARD ROOM  
COMMITTEE MEETING – APRIL 3, 2007**

**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 = Present
Also Present = Village Resident (John)	

Mayor Lumpkins requested to amend the agenda to remove A. Festival and replace with A. Parking in the Village and add C. E-Pay under Administration.

**MOTION**

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

**ADMINISTRATIVE**

**Parking in the Village**

Mayor Lumpkins stated that a resident, John, is here because his babysitter received a citation. We have discussed parking in the village off and on for the last year and a half. Tickets were issued today in the village. We normally issue tickets when we receive a complaint. Our officers issued five to seven citations on Monday for parking on the street or across the sidewalk. Mayor Lumpkins stated that he has not yet spoken with Chief Johnson to see if we received a complaint or if the officers were just driving around town and issuing citations for the violations they saw. The officers are usually instructed that if we receive a complaint to go around town and issue citations. The newer section of town usually is where the parking problem exists due to the smaller driveways and sidewalks. According to our ordinance, the officer could write a ticket if a vehicle is encroaching the sidewalk or on the street. We do try to give the residents relief if they call CenCom and we have never turned anyone down unless it is snowing or weather would not permit it. Mayor Lumpkins stated that he was told today that someone called CenCom and CenCom stated they were only allowed to call CenCom for parking three times a month. Mayor Lumpkins stated that he would speak with Chief Johnson tomorrow morning about the three times a month and further stated that we have never put a limitation on the number of times residents can call CenCom in regards to parking. Mayor Lumpkins asked the resident, John, if he

would like to say anything at this time. John stated that he does not have a problem with the parking ordinance but rather a problem in that the ordinance is not consistently enforced. John questioned if we are going to enforce or not. Mayor Lumpkins asked John what he personally would like to see done in the village. John stated that he does not want parking on the streets but in reality it does not work since people will still park on the streets and will still block driveways. John stated that he would like to see some sort of allowance for parking.

At 7:07 p.m. two more village residents arrived at the committee meeting.

Mayor Lumpkins stated that the two residents just arriving also have a parking ticket and they have a small school bus. Mayor Lumpkins explained that we were discussing the parking ticket issue and he asked these two residents the same question as he asked John, which was what they personally would like to see done in the village in regards to parking. Mayor Lumpkins stated that we have an ordinance that states no parking on any village street other than if they call CenCom and receive relief. Mayor Lumpkins asked if they would like to see parking on the streets or see the ordinance strictly enforced where we write out tickets for every violation. The resident stated that the houses in the subdivision were built to only accommodate two vehicles and people have to shuffle cars around and it is chaotic. The residents explained their difficulties in trying to park the school bus without blocking the sidewalk and in trying to park the bus safely. One of the residents stated that not all of the streets have the no parking signs. The residents stated that they would like to see parking on one side of the street. Mayor Lumpkins stated that every street in the village has a no parking on village streets sign.

Mayor Lumpkins asked the Board what they would like to see, parking on village streets, parking on some village streets or no parking on any village streets. Mayor Lumpkins asked the Board to consider the safety of the children if vehicles are parked on the street and to consider the two major thoroughfares, Lotus Drive and Black Cherry Lane. Discussion ensued amongst the Board and residents. The Board agreed that the resident with the small school bus should send a letter to the village and Chief of Police stating her case. The Board can grant relief since it is a school bus if the Board agrees to allow parking on the street for this bus only during the day. The Board agreed to enforce the parking ordinance strictly, consistently and fairly throughout the village. The Board agreed that the decision of whether or not a vehicle is blocking the driveway is the officer's discretion if an attempt was made to not block the driveway. Mayor Lumpkins stated that we would clarify tomorrow with CenCom that there is no limit on the number of times a resident can call CenCom in regards to parking on the street.

Intergovernmental Agreement with Round Lake Area Park District

Mayor Lumpkins stated that the Park District has made all the changes in the agreement for the park at 1824 Tomahawk Trail we had requested. Mayor Lumpkins asked the Board for permission to sign the agreement and stated that the agreement would be up for approval next week at the Board meeting. By signing the agreement now the entire lengthy process can get started and we would be looking for a completed park by September or October of 2007. The Park District has to go through the bidding process. We would have four months to remove the well house, cap the well and ensure the grading of the property. The Board agreed to sign the agreement.

E-Pay

Mayor Lumpkins stated that he met with the government today and signed all the paperwork for E-Pay. Residents will be able to pay online. There is no cost to the village for this. There is a cost to the resident that would be approximately \$1.75 to \$2.00, which is based on the type of bill being paid. When the village CD's are due we will transfer these funds to Illinois Funds. We will keep one account at Harris Bank for daily deposits.

**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

Trustee Katzel reported that Bud Kowalski ordered water meters and six MIU's for a cost of \$1,181.30. Trustee Katzel also reported that the keys for the well house were turned over to us today and the landscaping will be completed soon.

Administration

There was nothing to report.

Ordinances

There was nothing to report.

**OLD BUSINESS**

There was nothing to report.

**NEW BUSINESS**

There was nothing to report.

**AUDIENCE COMMENTS**

There was nothing to report.

**MOTION**

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

**ADJOURNMENT: 7:39 P.M.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan A. Mahoney  
Village Clerk