

**VILLAGE OF ROUND LAKE HEIGHTS  
619 W. PONTIAC COURT – BOARD ROOM  
BOARD MEETING – APRIL 8, 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 = Present	Trustee Katzel = Present
Trustee Faught = Present	Trustee Germann = Absent
Mayor Lumpkins = Present	Village Clerk Mahoney = Absent

**AUDIENCE COMMENTS**

**Police Officer** Mayor Lumpkins asked the resident to state his name and he stated that his name is Jeff Kissinger. Jeff Kissinger stated that the village hired a new police officer, Donald Anderson, who had a DUI in 2006. Jeff Kissinger questioned why an officer with this history was hired. Jeff Kissinger further questioned why the village now has two officers on duty at night. Trustee Mahoney asked Jeff Kissinger if there were other problems with this officer and Jeff Kissinger stated that he was not aware of anything else. Trustee Mahoney stated that we would have two officers on duty for security purposes mostly due to domestic situations that occur more at night. Trustee Meeks stated that we have two officers when one is in training and also on Friday when Officer Kirk is running traffic. Mayor Lumpkins stated that we do have two officers on Friday and Saturday nights. Jeff Kissinger stated that he feels it is because of Richard's Chicken and that two people went to jail Sunday morning resulting from a call to that location. Jeff Kissinger stated that he feels it is not good to hire another officer with a bad history.

Clerk Mahoney arrived at 7:03 p.m.

**Mayor Lumpkins Letter**

Jeff Kissinger asked Mayor Lumpkins if the letter he sent out was to the whole village or to parts of the village. Mayor Lumpkins stated that he sent it out to the new part of the village and that Jeff Kissinger's figures were a little off.

**Flyers**

Jeff Kissinger asked if the village removed any of the flyers that he put out on the doors and Mayor Lumpkins stated that we did not. Jeff Kissinger asked the Board if they have a problem with him putting out flyers in the

neighborhood. Mayor Lumpkins stated that he has a right to do what he does but that the village will respond to it if he misleads the public.

Mayoral Election Jeff Kissinger stated that he is running for mayor in 2009.

Richard's Chicken Richard Lumpkins stated that Jeff Kissinger just stated that there was a police call to his establishment and questioned what the call was. Richard Lumpkins stated that he was told one of the calls was a bogus call and the other one was a fight at the gas station. Jeff Kissinger stated that it was from the people at Richard's Chicken. Richard Lumpkins stated that Jeff Kissinger is running for public office and trying to make his place a political item.

**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 March 11, 2008 Board Meeting minutes, March 18, 2008 Committee Meeting minutes and April 1, 2008 Committee Meeting minutes.

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

**MOTION** A motion was made by Trustee Meeks, Seconded by Trustee Mahoney and unanimously passed to approve the March 2008 Collector's Report for the General Fund.

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

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

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE**

##### Round Lake Area Queens

Mayor Lumpkins stated that the Round Lake Area Queens are here. Lisa Stay along with Tiny Miss Round Lake and Junior Miss Round Lake approached the Board. Lisa Stay introduced herself and stated that she is the new director of the Round Lake Area Pageant along with Rachel Tosado. Lisa Stay stated that they are here tonight because they are fundraising for the 2008 pageant. Lisa Stay asked Tiny Miss Round Lake to say a few words about what she liked and she stated that she liked the parades, making Valentines and Christmas stuff. Lisa Stay stated that the Round Lake queens got together with the Grant Township queens and

made over 500 Valentines for the residents of Hillcrest Nursing Home and Lakeland Apartments. Lisa Stay presented a letter to Mayor Lumpkins and stated that they have an email address if anyone has any questions. Mayor Lumpkins stated that they have always done a wonderful job and we are very proud to have them in the area. The Board agreed to give a donation to the Round Lake Area Pageant for the same amount that was given last year, which was \$200.00.

**MOTION** A motion was made by Trustee Meeks, Seconded by Trustee Mahoney and unanimously passed to approve a \$200.00 donation to the Round Lake Area Pageant.

Mayor Lumpkins thanked Lisa Stay and the two queens and further stated that we look forward to seeing them at our events. Lisa Stay thanked the Board.

#### Mayor's Re-Appointments

Mayor Lumpkins asked for a motion to re-appoint Susan Mahoney as the village collector from April 12, 2008 to April 12, 2009.

**MOTION** A motion was made by Trustee Mahoney, Seconded by Trustee Walker and unanimously passed to re-appoint Susan Mahoney as the village collector from April 12, 2008 to April 12, 2009.

Mayor Lumpkins asked for a motion to re-appoint John Pappas as part time police officer from April 28, 2008 to April 28, 2009.

**MOTION** A motion was made by Trustee Meeks, Seconded by Trustee Mahoney and unanimously passed to re-appoint John Pappas as part time police officer from April 28, 2008 to April 28, 2009.

Mayor Lumpkins asked for a motion to re-appoint Jeremy McIntyre as a Zoning Board of Appeals member from March 13, 2008 to March 13, 2009.

**MOTION** A motion was made by Trustee Faught, Seconded by Trustee Meeks and unanimously passed to re-appoint Jeremy McIntyre as a Zoning Board of Appeals member from March 13, 2008 to March 13, 2009.

#### American Hydro Expenditure

Mayor Lumpkins asked for a motion to approve the expenditure of \$2,910.00 payable to American Hydro for the work completed on the pond in front of the village hall.

**MOTION** A motion was made by Trustee Mahoney, Seconded by Trustee Walker

and unanimously passed to approve the expenditure of \$2,910.00 payable to American Hydro for the work completed on the pond in front of the village hall.

#### Grote Industrial Agreement

Mayor Lumpkins stated that he has not received the agreement from Grote Industrial yet and asked for a motion to table approving the signing of this agreement until he receives the agreement. The garbage contract will stay the same but will simply be a name change to reflect the new ownership.

#### **MOTION**

A motion was made by Trustee Faught, Seconded by Trustee Katzel and unanimously passed to approve to table signing the Grote Industrial Agreement.

#### Leadership Day Program

Mayor Lumpkins asked for a motion to approve participating in the Leadership Day Program as presented by Round Lake last week.

#### **MOTION**

A motion was made by Trustee Meeks, Seconded by Trustee Mahoney and unanimously passed to approve participating in the Leadership Day Program.

#### Eder, Casella & Co. – Audit

Mayor Lumpkins stated that we are calling around to get audit prices from different companies. The increase from last year is \$500.00 from Eder, Casella & Co. Last year we paid \$7,400.00 and this year's price is \$7,900.00 plus the \$1,500.00 add-on for a total increase of \$2,000.00. Mayor Lumpkins stated that he will let the Board know the other quotes as soon as we get them and we will hold off on signing anything until we get the other quotes.

#### Village Ponds

Mayor Lumpkins asked the Board if they looked at the ponds and Trustee Katzel stated that he only saw one pond and asked if they were deep enough. Mayor Lumpkins explained the location of the ponds and stated that they are deep enough for an aerator. Mayor Lumpkins stated that we would have separate motions for each pond. Mayor Lumpkins asked for a motion to approve the expenditure of \$5,306.00 to install an aerator at the pond behind 2108 Mohican.

#### **MOTION**

A motion was made by Trustee Mahoney, Seconded by Trustee Walker and unanimously passed to approve the expenditure of \$5,306.00 to install an aerator at the pond behind 2108 Mohican.

Mayor Lumpkins asked for a motion to approve the expenditure of \$8,000.00 to install an aerator at the pond behind 2164 Mohican.

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Trustee Mahoney, Seconded by Trustee Walker and unanimously passed to approve the expenditure of \$8,000.00 to install an aerator at the pond behind 2164 Mohican.

Mayor Lumpkins stated that he asked Bud Kowalski to have Area Concepts come out and look at the pond on Chippewa to see if there is something to do with this pond other than an aerator since it is too shallow for an aerator. There is an eight-foot gap between the water and grass and would cost too much to rock that area. We would like to see if they could get grass to grow closer to the water and then rock the remaining area or see what other ideas that they come up with. Trustee Mahoney stated that if it is rising and lowering that it is senseless to use the rock and that slime would build up on the rocks. Trustee Katzel questioned why this pond drains much faster than other ponds that seem to maintain their water level. Trustee Mahoney explained how the altitude and height of the land plays into the water level and further stated that we could ask our engineer how this particular pond is intended to work. Mayor Lumpkins added that some ponds are detention ponds and some are retention ponds. Trustee Faught added that we should look into what effect some fertilizers play as to the algae problems and see if there are more friendly fertilizers that we should suggest our residents to use.

**Century 21 Su Casa Solicitor Permit**

Trustee Faught stated that they are looking for a one-year permit and we should set a recommendation for how many times they can come out. Mayor Lumpkins suggested no more than once a month.

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Trustee Faught, Seconded by Trustee Katzel and unanimously passed to approve the Century 21 Su Casa Solicitor's Permit for no more than once a month for one year.

**Festival**

The Board discussed bands and Trustee Meeks will contact Round Lake Beach to see who they have used. Trustee Katzel passed out copies of blowup choices from Clowning Around. The Board discussed and agreed to five items from Clowning Around. Mayor Lumpkins stated that most of the cost for this will be covered by donations from area businesses and donations received because of the letters that he sends out. We usually receive five to ten thousand dollars before the festival even starts. Trustee Katzel stated that he has Jim Sommers scheduled for a 2:00 show. Trustee Katzel stated that he has a call in to Serpent Safari. The deejay has been taken care of and Jeremy will be doing it.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

There was nothing to report.

**COMMITTEE  
REPORTS**

Public Safety

Trustee Meeks reported that she brought up last week about granting permission to Chief Johnson to take a marked squad car to Springfield for the Police Memorial on May 1, 2008.

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Trustee Meeks, Seconded by Trustee Walker and unanimously passed to approve granting permission to Chief Johnson to take a marked squad car to Springfield for the Police Memorial on May 1, 2008.

Public Works

Trustee Mahoney reported that we had to take the one ton in for repairs because the tray was slipping and the torque converter went bad. The repairs were completed at Professional Auto Repair and cost \$2,451.38.

Building & Zoning

There was nothing to report.

Sewer & Water

Trustee Katzel reported that we rented two pumps and got one from Round Lake Beach to pump the water from the pond in front of the village hall. Trustee Katzel reported that the pond has gone down quite a bit and that drain #2 is pretty clear now. Mayor Lumpkins stated that he asked Bud to get a price on purchasing a pump and Bud reported that a pump similar to what he is using would be about \$12,000.00. If this works then a pump purchase would be presented to the Board.

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 Meeks and unanimously passed to approve the April 2008 Warrant List and to pay the bills.

Ordinances

There was nothing to report.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Stormwater Grant

Trustee Faught questioned if there was an update on the Stormwater Grant for the houses. Mayor Lumpkins stated that we spoke with the administrator and it has been passed on the local level and has been sent to the federal level for approval. We hope to have the federal approval by June and that is when the homeowners will start working with them.

Village Pond

Trustee Faught congratulated public works on the job they are doing to get the water level down at the pond in front of the village hall.

**NEW BUSINESS**

There was nothing to report.

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

**ADJOURNMENT: 7:30 P.M.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan A. Mahoney  
Village Clerk