

**VILLAGE OF ROUND LAKE HEIGHTS
619 W. PONTIAC COURT – BOARD ROOM
COMMITTEE MEETING – MAY 4, 2010**

CALL TO ORDER

The Village of Round Lake Heights Committee Meeting was called to order by Mayor Lumpkins at 7:04 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

Also present = Julie Wheeler, Jim Romich, Elizabeth, John Jonkers and 3 residents.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

Nothing at this time.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Spay N Stay-Julie Wheeler

Julie Wheeler stood, introduced herself and stated that she began as a volunteer and is now Secretary and Treasurer for Spay N Stay. Julie Wheeler stated that she has spent a lot of time with Jim and has invested a lot of time in Round Lake Heights. She thanked Mayor Lumpkins and Maribel and Marla for all of the help they have given her for her grant presentation. Julie stated that she is asking for funds to spay up to 250 free roaming cats in Round Lake Heights. She stated that they will catch the cats, sterilize them to stop the breeding, vaccinate them, ear tip them, and try to improve their general health. Julie stated that the grant is very competitive and the money can be very limited in this economy. She stated that if we do not receive this grant, she will re submit for it in the fall.

Julie stated that she had some hand outs for the Board, and would like to start her presentation. Julie stated that she is in Round Lake Heights a couple of times per month picking up cats and transporting them to get spayed and neutered. Julie stated to date there have been 12 care takers registered with Spay N Stay in the village, and 93 cats have been brought in since 2002. Julie stated that the numbers have gone up in the last few years, and she would like to see those numbers go down. Julie stated that there are 4 residents on Cedarwood Circle who have helped with capturing the cats.

Julie stated that the next part of her presentation is about some of the cats who she has known to love, one of which moved to her house. Julie stated that many of the cats are friendly and have merely been abandoned. She stated that many of the cats trapped in town have found loving homes elsewhere. Julie stated that many of the cats are ferrell free roaming cats, but that some of them are house cats that people can no longer care for. Julie stated that every cat is spayed or neutered and this helps keep them

from roaming and fighting for territory. She stated that most outdoor cats only live an average of 3-7 years.

Julie stated that the cost of them taking the cats is \$65.00 plus administrative costs. Julie stated that they only ask the resident to pay \$25.00 of that cost per cat to off set their expenses. Julie stated that they want to work together with the village to improve the community. Julie stated that they would like to establish a food bank in Round Lake Heights for the residents who help take care of the cats, and have the cats spayed. Julie stated that Grayslake Feed is willing to help out with the cost of food at a very competitive rate. Julie stated that this would help encourage the residents who are feeding the cats to call Spay N Stay and pay the \$25.00 since they are not paying for the food as well. Julie stated that they would keep track of all of the care takers and how much food they receive each month. Mayor Lumpkins asked if they are currently running this program in any other town, and Julie stated that Round Lake Heights would be the first. Julie asked the Board if they had any further questions. Trustee Katzel asked Julie if they take pictures of every cat they bring in, and Julie stated that they micro chip every cat that they bring in and track where they came from and where they go. Julie stated that she would have an answer on the mass trapping grant by June 1st. Mayor Lumpkins asked Julie if they would be willing to have a booth at our festival, free of charge. Julie stated that they would love to raise awareness to the residents during the festival.

Jimmy's Fruit Market

Mayor Lumpkins stated that a gentleman came to see him this week, hoping to open a year round fruit market on Rollins Road in the old Warren's Motorcycle Shop. Mayor Lumpkins stated that the gentleman currently has a market on Rte. 12 that he has had for 6 months. Mayor Lumpkins stated that we would have to check the zoning on the property, but wanted to know how the Board felt about it. The Board agreed that they would like to see a fruit market in the village.

Signs for Lotus

Mayor Lumpkins stated that we got some prices for the signs and banners for the 50th Anniversary Celebration. Mayor Lumpkins stated that the banners could stay up all year long down Lotus with a cost of \$100.00 a piece. Mayor Lumpkins stated that the signs would be temporary at a cost of around \$500.00. The Board agreed to only pursue purchase of the banners.

Bid results-Stimulus Grant for Roads

Mayor Lumpkins stated that the bid was won by Peter Baker and Sons. Mayor Lumpkins stated that there were 5 bidders ranging from \$168,186.65 to \$152,569.95. Mayor Lumpkins stated that the Engineers estimate was \$170,000.00 and these were well underneath that. He stated that we have a grant for \$150,000.00 and the cost to the village will only be around \$2,500.00.

Festival Budget

Mayor Lumpkins stated that Mr. Jonkers and Marla have been working together to come up with some souvenir items for the festival. The first

item is 1,000 balloons with our logo for a balloon launch at the festival, at a cost of around \$160.00. The second item is coffee mugs with our logo, and we would like to purchase 144 of them at a cost of around \$200.00. The last item would be a 16 oz. beer cup, and we would like to purchase 200 of them at a cost of around \$200.00. Mayor Lumpkins stated that we could make back some of the money by selling the items. Mayor Lumpkins stated that we will only use some of the balloons for the launch, and the rest will be put up around the festival grounds.

Mayor Lumpkins stated that Mr. Jonkers took in some of the old pictures and negatives from the village to see about putting them on a CD. Mr. Jonkers stated that he would like to purchase 1 CD, and we can make copies from it and arrange the pictures as we choose and add captions. The cost for the CD is a minimum of \$333.00 based on 250 pictures and would take around 2 weeks to complete. Mayor Lumpkins stated that he thought the CD would be a great idea, and could also be added to the website.

Mr. Jonkers stated that he also looked into purchasing some 3X5 village flags with our logo. The turn around is 3-4 weeks to make the flags, and the cost would be around \$35.00 each with a minimum of 12 flags purchased. Mr. Jonkers stated that he would also like to purchase some desk top flags at a cost of \$4.95 each. Mayor Lumpkins stated that the Board would need to decide if this was something they were interested in.

Trustee Katzel stated that he dropped off a food vendor application at Pizza Hut. Trustee Katzel stated that he also spoke with Bounces R Us and that he was willing to operate from open until dark. Trustee Katzel stated that they will not be bringing the train down this year, as it did not do very well last year.

CenCom Intergovernmental Agreement

Mayor Lumpkins stated that this went through the CenCom Board already, and now it needs to come to our Board. Mayor Lumpkins stated that they are changing the liability against the members who do not use the correction facility downstairs. Mayor Lumpkins stated that the funding formula is also changing and that it will be voted on unanimously instead of majority rules.

CORRESPONDENCE

Mayor Lumpkins reported that newsletters received were Illinois Municipal Review.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Safety Trustee Meeks reported that she has a letter from Chief Robert Jones of Gurnee thanking Chief Don Johnson for participation in the park district family fun day.

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 There was nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS

909 Warrior Mayor Lumpkins stated that we are close to selling the house at 909 Warrior. Mayor Lumpkins stated that there were a few issues that the buyer brought up, including electrical. Mayor Lumpkins stated that they had an electrician repair a few of the items. Mayor Lumpkins stated that the buyer also wanted the crawl space insulated, but that they denied the request. Mayor Lumpkins stated that the offer was good until June.

CDBG-Lift Station Mayor Lumpkins stated that we did get \$11,000.00 more towards the construction of the lift station. Mayor Lumpkins stated that we are looking to go out to bid in the next 30 days on this project, and to start construction in August.

House on Pontiac Mayor Lumpkins stated that the bank called him on the house on Pontiac and they are not currently interested in taking our offer on the house. The bank wanted to make sure the house was out of bankruptcy first and they may come back with an offer at a later date.

NEW BUSINESS Nothing at this time.

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

ADJOURNMENT: 8:10 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marla McIntyre
Village Clerk