

**VILLAGE OF ROUND LAKE HEIGHTS
619 W. PONTIAC COURT – BOARD ROOM
BOARD MEETING – MAY 8, 2007**

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 = Helen Mansfield and a Village Resident (John)	

SWEARING IN OF ELECTED OFFICIALS

Mayor Lumpkins asked Trustee Germann, Trustee Mahoney and Trustee Meeks to stand up to be sworn in. Clerk Mahoney swore in Trustee Germann, Trustee Mahoney and Trustee Meeks as Trustees of the Village of Round Lake Heights. Mayor Lumpkins congratulated the trustees and stated that he looked forward to having them serve for the next four years.

MINUTES

The minutes were reviewed by the Board.

MOTION

A motion was made by Trustee Faught, Seconded by Trustee Germann and unanimously passed to approve the April 3, 2007 Committee Meeting minutes, April 10, 2007 Board minutes, April 17, 2007 Committee Meeting minutes and May 1, 2007 Committee Meeting minutes.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT

The April 2007 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 April 2007 Collector's Report for the General Fund.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Board reviewed the Treasurer's Report for April 2007.

MOTION

A motion was made by Trustee Faught, Seconded by Trustee Mahoney and unanimously passed to approve April 2007 Treasurer's Report as presented.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Mayor's Re-Appointments

Mayor Lumpkins asked for a motion to re-appoint Bleck Engineering as the village engineers from May 10, 2007 to May 10, 2008.

MOTION

A motion was made by Trustee Mahoney, Seconded by Trustee Germann and unanimously passed to re-appoint Bleck Engineering as the village engineers from May 10, 2007 to May 10, 2008.

Mayor Lumpkins asked for a motion to re-appoint the Law Offices of Rudolph Magna as the village attorney firm from May 10, 2007 to May 10, 2008.

MOTION

A motion was made by Trustee Faught, Seconded by Trustee Meeks and unanimously passed to re-appoint the Law Offices of Rudolph Magna as the village attorney firm from May 10, 2007 to May 10, 2008.

Park Name – 1824 Tomahawk Trail

Mayor Lumpkins asked if anyone had an idea of a name for the park at 1824 Tomahawk Trail. The Board discussed and agreed to suggest Tomahawk Park to the Park District Board.

Speed Bumps

Mayor Lumpkins stated that we discussed removable speed bumps at the last meeting and he now has a cost for them. Depending on the size of the bump, the speed bumps cost between \$118.00 and \$160.00 each and that includes the hardware. Mayor Lumpkins stated that Chief Johnson does not have a problem with the speed bumps. Mayor Lumpkins stated that the only problem Libertyville has had with the speed bumps is that sometimes the bolts might loosen and come up. Trustee Faught stated that our volume compared to Libertyville is quite different and it would be easier to maintain in our village. Mayor Lumpkins asked the Board which streets they would want to install the speed bumps on and stated that we would probably want the two major roads, Lotus Drive and Black Cherry Lane. Mayor Lumpkins stated that we can try the speed bumps on those two streets to see how it goes and then expand from there if we want. Mayor Lumpkins stated that there are less expensive ones but they are not striped. Trustee Faught stated that the striping would be helpful for the visibility of the speed bumps especially when we first put them out. Trustee Mahoney stated that we are supposed to put up signs along with the speed bumps and Mayor Lumpkins agreed that we are required to put up signs. Mayor Lumpkins stated that the cost for each speed bump including the signs along with the speed bump would be around \$150.00 to \$200.00 each. Trustee Germann stated that he thinks the speed bumps are great. The Board discussed and agreed to start with five speed bumps and the Board will be presented locations to install the speed bumps from

Chief Johnson next week. Mayor Lumpkins asked for a motion to approve the purchase of speed bumps not to exceed one thousand dollars.

MOTION

A motion was made by Trustee Faught, Seconded by Trustee Katzel and unanimously passed to purchase speed bumps not to exceed one thousand dollars.

BOCA 2003

Mayor Lumpkins stated that our building inspector is still reviewing the BOCA 2003 and he hopes to have something back by next week. Our building inspector is reviewing the proposed amendments to ensure that there are not any mistakes. Mayor Lumpkins stated that we might have something before the Board for approval in June.

Iron Justice Motorcycle Club Lake County

Mayor Lumpkins stated that the Iron Justice Motorcycle Club Lake County would like permission to use the village hall parking lot as a meeting and starting point for a charity motorcycle run for the Boy Scouts on June 3, 2007. The time would be from 8:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. and they would be responsible for all set up and clean up. Mayor Lumpkins asked the Board if they have a problem with allowing them to use our parking lot and the Board did not have a problem with this. Trustee Faught questioned if this was the same motorcycle group that we did this for in the past and Mayor Lumpkins stated that this one is through Officer Roberts. We previously allowed a motorcycle group to use some of our facilities for a blood drive. This would be supporting one of our own officers and Officer Roberts will be here for the motorcycle run. Mayor Lumpkins asked for a motion to allow Iron Justice Motorcycle Club Lake County to use the village hall parking lot as a meeting and starting point on June 3, 2007 for a charity motorcycle run.

MOTION

A motion was made by Trustee Mahoney, Seconded by Trustee Katzel and unanimously passed to allow Iron Justice Motorcycle Club Lake County to use the village hall parking lot as a meeting and starting point on June 3, 2007 for a charity motorcycle run.

CORRESPONDENCE

Clerk Mahoney reported that a newsletter received was Illinois Municipal Review.

**COMMITTEE
REPORTS**

Public Safety

Trustee Meeks reported that violations for the month of April were 133 moving, 54 ordinance, 7 non-traffic and 5 warning citations.

Public Works

There was nothing to report.

Building & Zoning There was nothing to report.

Sewer & Water There was nothing to report.

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 May 2007 Warrant List and to pay the bills.

Ordinances Trustee Germann questioned if we received anything regarding the landlords and Mayor Lumpkins stated that our officer is working with Round Lake Beach on that. Mayor Lumpkins stated that we are trying to set up the first meeting in June or July with the landlords and Round Lake Beach.

OLD BUSINESS There was nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS There was nothing to report.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

Parking A resident, John, stated that at the last meeting the Board decided to issue a warning ticket for first offense parking and then a sheet was sent out on the water bill warning residents about parking violations. The resident stated that since the April meeting he attended that he has not heard of any tickets being issued and he questioned when the Board decided to change the decision to enforce the ordinance. Mayor Lumpkins stated that the Board discussed the parking issue at a meeting and decided to inform residents by mail through the water bill and one more warning coming out in our newsletter. We are currently enforcing the ordinance and writing tickets and as soon as the newsletter is out that we will be writing more tickets. The resident questioned what date the Board changed their decision. Trustee Faught stated that per the minutes the discussion took place on April 10th.

The resident, John, stated that he has witnessed excessive parking violations as he drives in and out of the village. John stated various dates and the number of violations witnessed on each of those selected dates. John stated that he saw 104 violations in four days just driving in and out of the village. Mayor Lumpkins questioned John if these are sidewalk or street violations and John stated that they are mostly street. Mayor Lumpkins asked John how he would know if they are violations or not since he would not know if they called CenCom for relief and John stated that he does not know. Mayor Lumpkins stated that the violations he is talking about are potential violations since he does not know if CenCom

was called on any of these. John stated that Ed Lieberman drove around the village looking for violations and saw 180 violations in a seven-day period. John stated that these violation numbers show that we need a change in our ordinance. Mayor Lumpkins simplified what John was stating and stated that at most we are looking at fifteen to twenty percent of village residents that are possibly violating the ordinance. Mayor Lumpkins asked John if he feels that constitutes a need to change the ordinance when at least eighty percent of the village is complying with the ordinance. Trustee Mahoney asked John if he doesn't care about the older section of the village and is only concerned with the newer section of the village. John stated that the driveways are not the same in both sections and the sidewalks are different. Mayor Lumpkins explained that we are not forbidding residents to park on the street by allowing residents to call CenCom for relief. Mayor Lumpkins stated that the only times we did not grant permission to park on the street when calling CenCom is weather related. Mayor Lumpkins asked John what the inconvenience is since the resident has the ability to call CenCom to get permission to park on the street. John stated that his problem is that sometimes we will abide by the ordinance and sometimes we won't. Mayor Lumpkins stated that the Board has taken a strict stand on the parking issue and will be in effect as soon as the second warning goes out. Mayor Lumpkins stated that the Board wanted to ensure that everyone had been fairly warned before strictly enforcing the ordinance. The flyer that went out to the residents is now part of our welcome packet to warn any new residents. John stated that the thing that irritates him is that we didn't ticket for four years and he never got a ticket and he parked on the street all the time off and on. John stated that there are discrepancies when we ticket and when not. Mayor Lumpkins stated that, whether right or wrong, the philosophy of the Board was if we received a complaint in the neighborhood that the officer would address the parking violation(s). John stated that he called in two incidences on a nuisance car. John stated that on the first occasion the officer proceeded past the vehicle and no ticket was issued. John stated that on the second occasion the car came to fish and this person did not live on the block and possibly not in the village. John stated that when the officer came he slowed down and proceeded on. John stated that he then followed the police officer out of the village, down Rollins Road and then to Thornton's where the officer went to get something to eat. John stated that he saw another Round Lake Heights officer driving by the other way. Mayor Lumpkins stated to John that he is assuming that the police officer went to Thornton's to get something to eat and John asked if our officers respond out of the village. Mayor Lumpkins stated that we have an intergovernmental agreement with Round Lake Beach. John stated that he is frustrated with our response and that Ed Lieberman called and complained a week ago and was a little excessive in calling in to CenCom. Mayor Lumpkins stated that he feels we respond pretty good and that Ed

Lieberman was actually tying up CenCom when he called eighteen times in one day which is more than a little excessive.

Mayor Lumpkins stated that the parking issue still exists but we have given our residents a solution to their parking problem by allowing them to call CenCom for permission to park on the street if weather permits. John stated that he does not have a problem. Mayor Lumpkins stated to John that he must have a problem with the parking since he is here recording the meeting with the video camera and addressing the parking. Mayor Lumpkins stated that he wants to solve the problem but we cannot solve the problem by allowing parking. Mayor Lumpkins stated that we are one village and this Board does not want to allow parking in one part of the village and not in the other. We do not want part of town rules. We are trying to prevent what we can control and do not want to allow parking on the streets. Mayor Lumpkins stated that the excessive reporting of parking violations to CenCom is not the right way to go about the problem. Mayor Lumpkins stated that we will not have an officer working directly for Ed Lieberman 24 hours a day while he is in office and if Ed Lieberman wants to run for mayor or any other trustee position then he can. Mayor Lumpkins stated that tying up our police force is the wrong way to address this problem. We want to respond to our residents and always have responded to our residents one hundred percent. The residents have elected this Board to represent them and that is what this Board is doing.

Speed Bumps

The resident, John, asked if the Board had considered speed humps instead of speed bumps. Mayor Lumpkins asked what the difference is between the two and John stated that a hump is asphalt and not as jarring as a bump. Mayor Lumpkins asked if they paint the humps and John stated that they are painted. Trustee Meeks and Trustee Mahoney stated that they have the speed humps at the high school. Mayor Lumpkins asked if the speed humps would damage the snowplow. Trustee Mahoney stated that if the hump starts falling apart that then they would damage the snowplow. John stated that Evanston has speed humps. Mayor Lumpkins stated that he would call Evanston to see if they have any problems with their speed humps and stated that his concern is damage to the snowplows.

MOTION

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

ADJOURNMENT: 7:38 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan A. Mahoney
Village Clerk