

**VILLAGE OF ROUND LAKE HEIGHTS
619 W. PONTIAC COURT – BOARD ROOM
COMMITTEE MEETING –AUGUST 19, 2008**

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

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

CenCom Calls Jeff Kissinger asked Trustee Meeks if she found out anything about the thirteen parking request calls into CenCom. Trustee Meeks stated that per CenCom there were 1,359 parking request calls into CenCom from January 1, 2007 to June 1, 2008. Jeff Kissinger stated that he will investigate to see why CenCom did not give him those records.

Parking on Sidewalks Jeff Kissinger stated that Mayor Gentes of Round Lake has a blogging site and the discussion of parking on sidewalks was discussed. Jeff Kissinger stated that Mayor Gentes stated on this site that you cannot block the sidewalk when you park in your driveway. Jeff Kissinger stated that we have a village ordinance that allows us to park on the sidewalk which is in violation of the state law. Jeff Kissinger stated that under the same state law that you may not park any place where official signs prohibit parking. Jeff Kissinger stated that the officers need to follow the state law and not just village ordinances.

School Signs Jeff Kissinger stated that AAA has put up signs on telephone poles to be careful about the kids and questioned why they put them up in the old village and not the new part of the village. Mayor Lumpkins stated that they put them up everywhere and Trustee Faught stated that they always put them up where the school is.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Connect-CTY Mayor Lumpkins stated that Trustee Meeks and himself met with Connect-CTY. Other area villages have started using Connect-CTY and it is a great way to interact with our community. Other area towns that have joined are Antioch, Wauconda, Grayslake, Gurnee, Round Lake Beach, Island Lake, Lincolnshire, Barrington, Fox Lake and Round Lake is in the process of joining. This is a way to connect with your residents within seconds to announce town hall meetings, missing child, storm warning, health warning, event announcements and any type of announcement as often as we wish. We originate the messages and would designate certain

people as the ones authorized to record and send a message. This is not mandatory for our residents to join and the cost to the village is \$2.50 per resident per year plus a one-time \$500.00 set up fee with a three-year contract but can opt out in any year with a one month notice. We would be charged for all residences although they do deduct an allowance knowing that not every household will join. The first year would cost approximately two thousand dollars and less the following years since we would not have the set up fee. Connect-CTY comes in to train the authorized people. Connect-CTY stated that there are 90-95% of the towns that stay with this program after signing up and usually opt out due to budget restraints. Mayor Lumpkins asked the Board to review the pamphlets and either ask him or call the number on the Connect-CTY business card if they have any questions. Trustee Faught stated that she has been on the receiving end of these phone calls through her business from Grayslake and finds the calls to be very useful. Trustee Meeks stated that each household will have six contacts and can be land lines, cell phones, text messaging, emails and other forms of contact and we can also request for repeat calls if the first call did not pick up. The Board agreed that this is a good idea and we should try it. Mayor Lumpkins stated that he would have them draft a contract for the Board to review.

Pig Roast Trustee Katzel stated that Officer Roberts will let us use his DVD player. Trustee Walker suggested that we have a bonfire by the pond at the pig roast. The Board liked this idea and Mayor Lumpkins asked Trustee Walker to contact the fire department.

CORRESPONDENCE

Clerk Mahoney reported that newsletters we received were InTransit and Cisco Communicator.

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	Mayor Lumpkins and Trustee Katzel explained that we are sending a letter to the Round Lake Beach resident requesting our water pumping policy for Arrowhead pond. The letter states that Round Lake Heights would implement a pumping policy for Arrowhead pond when water is on the pavement and/or heavy rain is predicted.
Administration	There was nothing to report.
Ordinances	There was nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS

Trees on Pontiac Court

Mayor Lumpkins passed around pictures to the Board of two trees at 1801 Pontiac that are located on our easement and have been dead for a couple years. The resident has asked if the village could remove these trees. These trees are hanging over the road and limbs break off and fall on the road. We received a quote from Hendrickson to remove both trees for \$1,900.00 and this would come out of the Motor Fuel Tax Fund. Trustee Faught stated that she is concerned about setting a precedent and that it has always been the owner's responsibility even if it is on the easement. Trustee Faught stated that she would be more inclined to do a cost sharing with the resident. Trustee Mahoney disagreed and stated that he has a tree in the right-of-way being killed by carpenter ants and feels that the village should pay for it. Trustee Germann asked if we could get additional quotes and Mayor Lumpkins stated that we could. Trustee Meeks agreed with Trustee Faught. Trustee Katzel stated that he would be interested in the cost sharing because of the hazard of the trees hanging over the road. Mayor Lumpkins stated that he would get a couple more estimates and speak with the homeowner.

Village Ponds

Trustee Katzel stated that Landscape Concepts was out last Friday shocking the ponds. Mayor Lumpkins stated that you can already see the difference. Trustee Katzel stated that the aerator on the Seneca pond is up and running.

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: 7:25 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan A. Mahoney
Village Clerk