

**VILLAGE OF ROUND LAKE HEIGHTS  
619 W. PONTIAC COURT – BOARD ROOM  
COMMITTEE MEETING – OCTOBER 3, 2006**

**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 Walker = Present
Trustee Katzel = Present	Trustee Germann = Present
Trustee Mahoney = Present	Trustee Faught = Present
Mayor Lumpkins = Present	Village Clerk Mahoney = Present
Also Present = Mr. Lumpkins	

Mayor Lumpkins requested to amend the agenda to add A. Mr. Lumpkins from Richards Chicken & Ribs, B. Illinois Funds, C. Stop Sign at Lotus and Chippewa, D. Com Ed and E. Rug Rage 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**

Mr. Lumpkins from Richards Chicken & Ribs

Mayor Lumpkins stated that Mr. Lumpkins from Richards Chicken & Ribs is here tonight. Mr. Lumpkins would like to have his restaurant facility open 24 hours on the weekends and extend his liquor license to 4:00 a.m. Mayor Lumpkins stated that about a year ago this Board extended the Class "A" liquor license to 3:00 a.m. at which time Mr. Lumpkins actually wanted it to be 4:00 a.m. but Mayor Lumpkins wanted to see how it would be at 3:00 a.m. first. Mr. Lumpkins does not need Board permission to have his restaurant facility open 24 hours but does need an ordinance change to serve liquor until 4:00 a.m. Mayor Lumpkins stated that other villages do have a 4:00 a.m. liquor license. Mayor Lumpkins stated that he asked Chief Johnson to run a report to see if there have been any problems at the establishment which he should receive tomorrow. Mayor Lumpkins stated that he does not know of any problems at this establishment since the 3:00 a.m. liquor license was issued. Mayor Lumpkins stated that there currently is one local restaurant open 24 hours which is Blue Bay in Round Lake Beach. Mayor Lumpkins stated that he is told that most of the customers for Richards Chicken & Ribs are local area residents. Mayor Lumpkins stated that as liquor commissioner this request puts him in a difficult position because this is his father so he is looking to the Board to have their opinion. Trustee Germann stated that he does not have a problem with a 4:00 a.m. liquor

license. Mayor Lumpkins clarified that this change would be for any Class "A" liquor license in the village which Mr. Lumpkins currently possesses the only two issued in our village. Mayor Lumpkins stated that the 2:00 a.m. time for weekdays would stay the same and only the weekend hours would be extended for this ordinance change. Mayor Lumpkins stated that most villages that have until 4:00 a.m. on weekends have until 3:00 a.m. on weekdays. Trustee Mahoney stated that he does not have a problem with trying this change. Trustee Meeks asked Mr. Lumpkins if he feels the customers would stay and eat if he were able to serve drinks for one extra hour and Mr. Lumpkins stated that he feels they would stay and eat. Trustee Meeks stated that if they stay and eat then they would not be driving elsewhere and we would also have additional revenue. Trustee Meeks stated that she does not have a problem with the change. Trustee Walker stated that he does not have a problem with changing the time. Trustee Faught stated that since they have the opportunity to stay and have a meal without getting on the road that she does not have a problem with the change. Trustee Katzel questioned what time they start serving breakfast in the morning and Mayor Lumpkins stated 6:00 a.m. Mayor Lumpkins stated that he would have an ordinance change before the Board for approval next week.

Mr. Lumpkins thanked the Board and left the meeting at 7:07 p.m.

#### Illinois Funds

Mayor Lumpkins stated that he was able to meet with someone from Illinois Funds at the municipal conference and met with her again today. Mayor Lumpkins stated that there are many benefits to this program. One of the biggest benefits is that Illinois Funds allow you to take your money in and out as much as you want while giving you a competitive interest rate paid on a daily basis. We currently have to guarantee our CD's for one year in order to have the rate. Today's Illinois Funds rate is 5.2% which is the same rate we are currently getting on our CD's that are locked in for one year. Our general account now only receives 2% interest. Another benefit to this program is that all of our state checks would be immediately deposited into our account. Yet another benefit of the program is E-Pay which allows people to pay water bills or tickets online. Illinois Funds would do all of the setup work to link to our website for E-Pay. Mayor Lumpkins stated that she did not have an answer yet to tell us how to handle our daily deposits but that most likely we would continue our daily deposits at our local bank and make transfers to the Illinois Fund account. Mayor Lumpkins stated that through Illinois Funds we would have one fund with separate accounts and we would most likely have to keep one account open at a local bank for our daily deposits. Mayor Lumpkins asked the Board if they are interested in this program and the Board agreed to move forward with this program. Mayor Lumpkins stated that he would give Jerry Sullivan from Harris Bank a courtesy call. Mayor Lumpkins stated that our CD's are up in two weeks. Mayor Lumpkins

stated that many other towns are already in Illinois Funds like Lindenhurst, Vernon Hills, Gurnee, Third Lake and Round Lake Beach and that 75% of Lake County is involved in Illinois Funds. Illinois Funds also supplies the credit card machine. Trustee Mahoney questioned if Illinois Funds was just for municipalities or if it is available for private use also. Mayor Lumpkins stated that through Illinois Funds program you can personally apply for a commercial loan three points below prime.

#### Stop Sign at Lotus and Chippewa

Mayor Lumpkins stated that we were waiting for JULIE and they came yesterday so the stop sign at Lotus and Chippewa has been installed. The ordinance will hopefully be up for approval next week at Board. Our ordinance currently does not have all of the stop signs that are in the village. The new ordinance will include all stop signs in the village and delete stop signs that are not in the village.

#### Com Ed

Mayor Lumpkins stated that Com Ed service affected a lot of residents due to the storm. Com Ed has a second crew out at Cedarwood Circle that has been out all night and the tree trimmers were out there this morning. There are still about seventeen Com Ed customers, mostly on Mohawk, without service at this time. Mayor Lumpkins stated that three fourths of the village was without power last night but most of the town regained power by 11:30 p.m. Trustee Faught stated that we have had very few outages. Trustee Meeks stated that over thirty two years she has only lost power three times.

#### Rug Rage

Mayor Lumpkins stated that he gave a business application to Trustee Faught about a week ago and we did some checking on this. This person was selling rugs at the gas station on Fairfield and Rollins without a business license so she was told to shut down her stand and apply for a business license. On the application she stated that she was convicted of a felony so Mayor Lumpkins asked her about it. She asked to explain and stated that she was arrested four different times. One offense was for fraudulent activity involving a credit card two and a half years ago. She stated that it was her daughter's credit card and she was using it and the credit card company took her to court and won. She had two charges of larceny for shoplifting over twenty years ago. She also was arrested four to five years ago for dangerous drugs which she claims was a marijuana charge. Mayor Lumpkins told the applicant that we would not approve the business application based on the dangerous drug offense. Mayor Lumpkins told the applicant that the only way to overturn that decision would be if the Board wanted to approve the business application and told the applicant that he would call her tomorrow. Mayor Lumpkins stated that she did get approval from the gas station to sell the rugs on his property. Discussion ensued amongst the Board. The Board agreed to not issue a business application to Rug Rage.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

Clerk Mahoney reported that newsletters received were Periscope and Illinois Municipal Review and we received a thank you card from Bud Kowalski's family.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Public Safety**

Trustee Meeks reported that Officer Nosbaum will be receiving an award from MEG in Peoria next Thursday due to his work involved in the Zion bank robbery which helped solve ten robberies.

### **Public Works**

Trustee Mahoney reported that Bud Kowalski is getting the trucks ready for winter. The Duly dump truck needed four new rear tires at a cost of \$491.60. A sign post was ordered for \$158.00. Two cutting edges were purchased for \$242.00. Bud Kowalski just finished striping the parking lot. The population sign on Fairfield road has been changed to reflect the population of 2,773. The wood village entrance signs are being worked on but we do not have a cost yet.

### **Building & Zoning**

There was nothing to report.

### **Sewer & Water**

Trustee Katzel reported that the water main project is almost complete. The paving should have been completed today. The landscaping should be completed by the end of the week.

Trustee Katzel reported that the well house has walls and a roof now. The electricians started today and should be finished by the end of October. Bud Kowalski will be calling Snyder to get a quote for installing a fire hydrant outside the well house. We already have the fire hydrant and just need it installed. We received one quote for \$3,000.00 and feel that we can get it installed for much less than that. The paving cannot be completed until the fire hydrant is installed. Trustee Mahoney will ask someone for a quote to install the fire hydrant and also get a quote on installing the drinking fountain at the park.

Trustee Katzel reported that fire hydrant flushing will be held during the week of October 23<sup>rd</sup>.

### **Administration**

There was nothing to report.

### **Ordinances**

Trustee Germann stated that he was unaware that there were stop signs not included in our ordinance and is glad that Chief Johnson is making sure that all of the stop signs are being included. Mayor Lumpkins stated that there were fifteen stop signs not included which were in the new subdivision.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Fox Glen Park           Trustee Katzel questioned the status of the Fox Glen Park. Mayor Lumpkins stated that they applied for a permit a week to ten days ago and a permit was granted. The Park District had promised to have it in by mid October.

Special Census           Trustee Katzel questioned if everything is complete with the special census. Mayor Lumpkins stated that it is complete and we should be seeing an improvement within the next thirty to sixty days.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Shag Bark Park           Trustee Faught questioned what is going on at Shag Bark Park. Mayor Lumpkins stated that they are moving the basketball court because the trailers will be going there. The Park District applied for a permit for the basketball courts which will go on their property. We are waiting for the final paperwork to come from the attorneys because they will have to go before the Zoning Board to get a variance on the setbacks and then come before this Board for final approval.

## **AUDIENCE COMMENTS**

There was nothing to report.

## **MOTION**

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

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan A. Mahoney  
Village Clerk