

**VILLAGE OF ROUND LAKE HEIGHTS  
619 W. PONTIAC COURT – BOARD ROOM  
COMMITTEE MEETING – NOVEMBER 15, 2005**

**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 = Absent

Mayor Lumpkins requested to amend the agenda to add C. Letter from John Roberts and D. Driveways under Administration.

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Trustee Faught, Seconded by Trustee Germann and unanimously passed to approve the amendment to the agenda as requested by Mayor Lumpkins.

**ADMINISTRATIVE**

**Garbage Contract** Mayor Lumpkins stated that we did not get the contract yet and they are requesting a six month extension. The rates would stay the same during the extension. Mayor Lumpkins stated that the contract extension would be up for approval at the next Board meeting. Trustee Faught stated that we would receive a rebate from SWALCO which depends on where our recyclables go. Trustee Faught asked if we could send SWALCO a copy of our current contract. Mayor Lumpkins stated that would be fine and told Trustee Faught to ask Maribel Carrillo to send a copy of our contract to SWALCO. We will give SWALCO a copy of the new contract when we first see it in three or four months.

**Employee Holiday Party**

Mayor Lumpkins stated that we need to decide on a menu for the employee holiday party and asked the Board to review the menu choices. This will be discussed again at the next meeting.

**Letter from John Roberts**

Mayor Lumpkins stated that John Roberts would like the village to co-sponsor a program of walking with the seniors. This program would not cost the village any money and John Roberts is only asking for a room to meet in after they walk and the use of the parking lot. John Roberts does not know how many people will participate but he would like to give the program a try. The Board thought it is a great idea and had no problem

with co-sponsoring this program by letting them use the parking lot and a meeting room.

**Driveways** Mayor Lumpkins stated that Round Lake Beach passed an ordinance about driveways and he thought it was a good one that might interest the Board. The ordinance requires every house to have a paved driveway. We have about forty-two residences that would be affected by an ordinance like this. The ordinance does not cause a hardship to the owner. The ordinance requires the driveway to be paved in order to sell the house. The ordinance would raise the value of the houses directly around the house required to pave the driveway. Trustee Faught suggested that we could request the driveway to be paved when a certificate of occupancy permit is obtained. Mayor Lumpkins suggested that a survey could be put out to the residents for their input. Discussion ensued amongst the Board. Mayor Lumpkins stated that he would get a copy of Round Lake Beach's ordinance to the Board and asked the Board to consider this ordinance for further discussion.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

There was nothing to report.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Public Safety** There was nothing to report.

**Public Works** Trustee Mahoney reported that Bud Kowalski would be on vacation next week and so Art Davis would be on his own. Trustee Mahoney reported that the snow plows and salt spreaders are ready to go. Trustee Mahoney reported that Christmas decorations would be put up this week.

**Building & Zoning** There was nothing to report.

**Sewer & Water** Trustee Katzel reported that during the week of November 4<sup>th</sup>, when they were flushing the hydrants, they had to shut down the water main on Warrior. Trustee Katzel reported that there was a water main break on the corner of Brentwood and Flintwood and the water was shut off for about two hours.

**Administration** There was nothing to report.

**Ordinances** There was nothing to report.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Police Response Time**

Mayor Lumpkins stated that one of the issues from last week's meeting was the response time taken for the police to arrive at the house when the

gentleman walked into the house. The resident had stated that it took fifteen minutes for the police to arrive. According to CenCom, who does document everything, the call came in at 4:02:49 and the police arrived at 4:06:22. The response time was actually three minutes and thirty three seconds.

#### Renters

Mayor Lumpkins stated that another issue from last week's meeting was that there were multiple renters living in a house. One of the renters was the man who walked into the other house and this man is currently in jail with a \$200,000.00 bond. The bond was raised from \$150,000.00. Mayor Lumpkins stated that he spoke with the homeowner today and informed him that he had until this Friday to remove the renters from that house. This man stated that he is renting from his brother and Mayor Lumpkins stated that they are renting three rooms beyond that. Mayor Lumpkins stated that the homeowner spoke Spanish and so he had Maribel Carrillo help translating the conversation back and forth.

#### Bus Stop

Mayor Lumpkins stated that another issue from last week's meeting was the bus stop on Huron Hills and Lotus. The bus stop has been moved off of Lotus and they have elected to now have two more stops further down on Huron Hills. These new stops should have been effective on Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup>.

#### Pit Bulls

Mayor Lumpkins stated that another issue brought up last week was pit bulls. Mayor Lumpkins asked the Board what they would like to do about this issue. Trustee Katzel stated that he did not realize there were any incidences with pit bulls in our village until the residents brought it up last week and he feels like it is the owner's responsibility. Mayor Lumpkins stated that there are at least two hundred villages that have ordinances against pit bulls. Trustee Faught stated that her son has pit bulls at her house. Trustee Faught stated that there was an incident when the pit bulls got out but they have fixed that and they have not gotten out again. Trustee Faught stated that there was a different breed, which might have been a Rottweiler, and children had this dog on a leash but it still bit somebody. Trustee Faught stated that it is hard to legislate against a specific breed. Trustee Faught stated that over the years the news has brought up problems with German Shepherds, then Dobermans, then Rottweilers and now it seems to be Pit Bulls. Discussion ensued amongst the Board. Mayor Lumpkins asked Trustee Germann to find out what ordinances other towns have on this issue.

#### Pasquinelli Trees

Mayor Lumpkins stated that he spoke with Pasquinelli and they stated that they have two or three more trees to be taken down and then they will come in and remove all the trees they have taken down. A resident in the audience from Mohawk stated that there are more than two or three trees that need to be taken down. Mayor Lumpkins asked the resident to let

Bud Kowalski know which trees she thinks need to be taken down and then we could check with Pasquinelli to see if they are taking those down.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Nicor

Mayor Lumpkins stated that we received a letter from Nicor stating that there is assistance available from Nicor for those needing it. There are brochures from Nicor on the counter at the village hall that are available for pick up which details the different assistance programs available.

**AUDIENCE COMMENTS**

There was nothing to report.

**MOTION**

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

**ADJOURNMENT: 7:20 P.M.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan A. Mahoney  
Village Clerk