

**VILLAGE OF ROUND LAKE HEIGHTS  
619 W. PONTIAC COURT – BOARD ROOM  
BOARD MEETING – NOVEMBER 13, 2007**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Village of Round Lake Heights Board Meeting was called to order by Trustee Meeks 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 = Absent	Village Clerk Mahoney = Present

**MINUTES**

The minutes were reviewed by the Board.

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Trustee Meeks, Seconded by Trustee Faught and unanimously passed to approve the October 9, 2007 Board Meeting minutes, October 16, 2007 Committee Meeting minutes and November 6, 2007 Committee Meeting minutes.

**COLLECTOR'S REPORT**

The October 2007 Collector's Report for the General Fund was reviewed.

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Trustee Mahoney, Seconded by Trustee Faught and unanimously passed to approve the October 2007 Collector's Report for the General Fund.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

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

**MOTION**

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

**ADMINISTRATIVE**

**Mayor's Re-Appointments**

Trustee Meeks asked for a motion to re-appoint Don Johnson as Chief of Police from November 8, 2007 to November 8, 2008.

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Trustee Mahoney, Seconded by Trustee Faught

and unanimously passed to re-appoint Don Johnson as Chief of Police from November 8, 2007 to November 8, 2008.

2007-R-04 Trustee Meeks asked for a motion to reaffirm the approval of 2007-R-04, a resolution approving and authorizing the submittal of an application for a community development block grant.

**MOTION** A motion was made by Trustee Mahoney, Seconded by Trustee Germann and unanimously passed to reaffirm the approval of 2007-R-04, a resolution approving and authorizing the submittal of an application for a community development block grant.

2007-O-07 Trustee Meeks asked for a motion to approve 2007-O-07, an ordinance appropriating for all corporate purposes for the Village of Round Lake Heights for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007 and ending June 30, 2008. The appropriation summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008 is:

General Fund	\$811,000.00
Motor Fuel Tax Fund	75,000.00
Community Block Grant Fund	100,000.00
Dollars for Scholars Fund	20,000.00
School Impact Fees Fund	1,500.00
Casino Fund	33,100.00
Water Fund	<u>591,400.00</u>
Total Appropriations	<u>\$1,632,500.00</u>

**MOTION** A motion was made by Trustee Faught, Seconded by Trustee Germann and unanimously passed to approve 2007-O-07, an ordinance appropriating for all corporate purposes for the Village of Round Lake Heights for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007 and ending June 30, 2008. The total appropriations amount is \$1,632,500.00.

#### Traffic Study/Speed Limit

Trustee Meeks asked if everyone is in favor of doing a traffic study and the Board agreed to do a traffic study. Trustee Meeks asked for a motion to approve the expenditure of \$9,100.00 payable to Metro for a traffic study to be performed in the Village of Round Lake Heights.

**MOTION** A motion was made by Trustee Mahoney, Seconded by Trustee Katzel and unanimously passed to approve the expenditure of \$9,100.00 payable to Metro for a traffic study to be performed in the Village of Round Lake Heights.

Parking on Village Streets

Trustee Meeks asked for a motion to reaffirm the decision from the discussion at the last meeting in October that we will not be changing the parking ordinance and will not allow parking on the village streets.

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Trustee Faught, Seconded by Trustee Germann and roll call was taken.

Trustee Meeks = Aye

Trustee Mahoney = Aye

Trustee Walker = Absent

Trustee Katzel = Abstain

Trustee Faught = Aye

Trustee Germann = Aye

The motion passed to reaffirm the approval to not change the parking ordinance and to not allow parking on the village streets

Surplus Police Cars

Trustee Meeks stated that we received three sealed bids for the two surplus police cars. Trustee Meeks stated that the minimum bid is \$3,500.00 so we will not accept anything below that. Trustee Meeks opened each sealed envelope before the Board. The first envelope contained a bid of \$3,680.00 from Rockland Fire Protection District and specified which vehicle they want. The second envelope contained a bid of \$3,800.00 from C.J. Rocush. The third envelope contained a bid of \$3,500.00 from Kevin Barrett. The two top bids were received from C.J.Rocush and Rockland Fire Protection District. Trustee Meeks asked the Board if they have any problems accepting those two bids and there were none.

Trustee Meeks asked for a motion to approve 2007-O-09, an ordinance authorizing the sale of surplus property. This is for the 1999 Crown Victoria, VIN# 2FAFP71W9XX186219.

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Trustee Faught, Seconded by Trustee Germann and unanimously passed to approve 2007-O-09, an ordinance authorizing the sale of surplus property. This is for the 1999 Crown Victoria, VIN# 2FAFP71W9XX186219.

Trustee Meeks asked for a motion to approve 2007-O-08, an ordinance authorizing the sale of surplus property. This is for the 1999 Crown Victoria, VIN# 2FAFP71W5XX186220.

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Trustee Katzel, Seconded by Trustee Faught and unanimously passed to approve 2007-O-08, an ordinance authorizing the sale of surplus property. This is for the 1999 Crown Victoria, VIN# 2FAFP71W5XX186220.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

Clerk Mahoney reported that newsletters received were Preliminary 2008 Metra Program & Budget, Round Lake Area Chamber News, InTransit and Illinois Municipal Review.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- Public Safety           Trustee Meeks reported that violations for the month of September were 165 moving, 60 ordinance, 12 non-traffic and 4 warning citations. Trustee Meeks reported that violations for the month of October were 198 moving, 25 ordinance, 10 non-traffic and 2 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 Katzel and unanimously passed to approve the November 2007 Warrant List and to pay the bills.

- Ordinances            There was nothing to report.

**OLD BUSINESS**      There was nothing to report.

**NEW BUSINESS**     There was nothing to report.

## **AUDIENCE COMMENTS**

- Traffic Study          Jeff Kissinger asked the Board if the village does a traffic study if they would base the speed limits from the study. Trustee Meeks stated that we should do the traffic study first and we will go from there.
- Parking Survey        A resident questioned what the response was from the parking survey and Trustee Meeks stated it was a 50/50 split and the survey was done door to door. The resident questioned if the results differed from the old to the new section of town and Trustee Meeks stated that there was a higher percentage of residents wanting parking in the newer section and a lower percentage in the older section. The resident questioned why the Board would treat two parts of the village in the same manner. Trustee Meeks stated that we are one village and she does not want to treat it as two separate towns. The resident stated that he is disappointed and let down to see a difference in needs and the Board is not allowing parking. Trustee

Faught explained that there is a safety issue and she is against parking on the street. The resident stated that the no parking on streets should be enforced. Trustee Meeks stated that she would speak with Chief Johnson tomorrow. The Board discussed with the audience and agreed that if there is a violation that they should write a ticket but also need to recognize that there may be more important issues at the time that the officer needs to tend to. The Board also reiterated that we should not be tying up CenCom's lines to report every car parked on the streets. A resident stated that Officer Matlock and Officer Blasco told him that they would get grief if they wrote a ticket when a complaint was not filed. The resident asked if he calls to report a violation tomorrow if a ticket will be written and Trustee Meeks asked the resident to call her if he is not satisfied with the actions taken.

#### Parking on Sidewalks

Ed Liberman stated that he would like the Board to establish rules for the sidewalks and that the current ordinance does not make it clear enough right now. Ed Liberman stated that the village needs to be more consistent and needs to clearly state the rules. Ed Liberman stated that he respects the vote made tonight. The Board agreed that we should include the ability to call CenCom in our ordinance.

#### Ponds

Ed Liberman asked the Board to discuss the treatment of ponds before waiting until next spring. Ed stated that the ponds are so poorly treated and there is a lot of algae. Ed stated that Bud does a great job of mowing but the ponds themselves have tons of algae. Ed questioned if the village would be installing aerators in the rest of the ponds to correct that problem and Trustee Katzel stated that we would.

#### Speed Limit

Ed Liberman stated that he hopes the Board takes into strong consideration the speed limit from the engineer of the traffic study. Trustee Faught stated that we need to see the study first and that we wouldn't spend the money if we didn't intend to consider it. Ed stated that he heard comments from Mayor Lumpkins, who is not here tonight, stating that we would do a study but not change the speed limit. Ed Liberman stated that the engineers performing the traffic study are professionals and would like the Board to consider what they say. Ed questioned what the time frame is for the traffic study and Trustee Meeks stated that there is not a time frame stated in the letter from Metro.

#### Minutes

Ed Liberman asked if there is anything the Board could do about posting minutes as a draft so they can be read sooner. Ed further questioned if the village would consider posting videotape of the meeting on the village website. Ed stated that he would like to be more involved and is looking for a way to find out what is going on in a more timely fashion.

May 8, 2007 Meeting

Ed Liberman stated that his name was mentioned many times at the May 8<sup>th</sup> meeting and he was not present at the meeting and was not involved with the meeting. Ed stated that it started with Mayor Lumpkins thinking that Ed coerced another resident, John, into bringing a camera to video the meeting and a letter that Mayor Lumpkins stated that Ed wrote. Ed stated that he was not involved with this. Ed stated that his name was misspelled in the minutes and statements were made with slander. Ed stated that he spoke with Mayor Lumpkins and that he committed to correcting the statements. One of the comments referred to Ed calling CenCom eighteen times in one day, which Ed stated that he has not called them that many times in one year. Ed stated that he wants an apology from the village and a correction. Trustee Meeks stated that the corrections are now made by Ed stating them at the meeting tonight. Trustee Meeks stated that Mayor Lumpkins made the statements so if there is an apology that it should come from him. Ed Liberman asked the Board to ask Mayor Lumpkins to apologize and correct the statements.

Stop Sign at Mohawk and Summit

A resident distributed a copy of a petition and signatures received for the petition. The petition is to change the yield signs on Mohawk at Summit to a two-way stop sign. The signature sheet had 26 signatures. The resident stated that he could get more signatures if required. Trustee Meeks thanked the resident and stated that the Board would look into this.

**MOTION** A motion was made by Trustee Faught, Seconded by Trustee Katzel and unanimously passed to adjourn.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan A. Mahoney  
Village Clerk