

**VILLAGE OF ROUND LAKE HEIGHTS  
619 W. PONTIAC COURT – BOARD ROOM  
COMMITTEE MEETING – SEPTEMBER 21, 2004**

**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 Katzel = Present	Trustee Germann = Present
Trustee Mahoney = Present	Trustee Faught = Present
Mayor Lumpkins = Present	Village Clerk Mahoney = Present

**ADMINISTRATIVE**

**RLHS Homecoming Parade**

Mayor Lumpkins reported that we were invited to be in the Round Lake High School Homecoming Parade on September 25 at 8:00 A.M. and asked the Board if we would want to be in it. Chief Johnson will be in the parade with the police car. We had always passed on this parade in the past. Mayor Lumpkins, Trustee Faught, Trustee Mahoney and Trustee Meeks stated they could not be there. Trustee Meeks stated that she would find out if the Round Lake Queens would be available and if so they would ride on the float with Trustee Katzel, Trustee Germann and Clerk Mahoney. Trustee Meeks will call the village tomorrow so that we can let the high school know if we will or will not be in the parade.

**Village Web Site**

Mayor Lumpkins stated that we still need bios from Trustee Mahoney and Trustee Germann. Mayor Lumpkins asked that this information get to Maribel Sancen as soon as possible.

**Resolution 2004-R-09**

Mayor Lumpkins reported that Resolution 2004-R-09, Adoption of the National Incident Management System, needs to be adopted tonight and ratified at the next Board. This resolution has to do with homeland security and if we apply for any grants we must have passed this resolution in order to receive any money. Mayor Lumpkins asked for a motion to pass 2004-R-09.

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Trustee Mahoney, Seconded by Trustee Germann and unanimously passed Resolution 2004-R-09 “Adoption of the National Incident Management System.”

**Fairfield Marsh/Phoenix & Associates**

Mayor Lumpkins reported that we are in year three of a five-year contract with the Army Corps Permit # 199700773. One of the conditions of the contract requires that we have a management firm go out and clean up the

marsh. Phoenix & Associates is still working on getting a grant for \$45,000.00 and this money will help to do burns around the marsh. We need to spend \$15,000.00 to stay in agreement with the Army Corps. After the Army Corps contract we will not be required to do the maintenance but for now we need to hold up our end of the contract. Last year Phoenix & Associates cleaned up the purple stripe as an emergency basis because the marsh had dried up and there was so much pressure on it they felt they needed to get out there right away. The bill came in for \$16,500.00 and we renegotiated it down to \$15,000.00. Trustee Faught commented that the marsh recovered from the water loss and Mayor Lumpkins stated that it is higher than it originally was. Mayor Lumpkins stated that they did come in under the amount that they should and that he is looking for permission to sign the contract at the next Board meeting.

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Trustee Mahoney, Seconded by Trustee Katzel and unanimously passed to sign the contract for \$15,000.00 with Phoenix & Associates.

**Business License/ICCI Inc.**

Mayor Lumpkins stated that ICCI, Inc. would like a business license to operate an investigation business at 816 W. Rollins Road. This is in the tae-kwon-do building and they would just be using office space. It is a Round Lake Beach officer that will own the business and is basically helping out the current business with the rent.

**Pig Roast/Haunted House**

Mayor Lumpkins reported that two pigs have been purchased for a total of \$800.00. Discussion ensued amongst the Board. Board members will check other options of purchasing the pigs. Mayor Lumpkins stated that he would like to get permission for seed money of \$500.00 for the haunted house.

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Trustee Faught, Seconded by Trustee Katzel and unanimously passed to approve the expenditure of \$500.00 for seed money for haunted house expenses.

**Code Enforcement**

Mayor Lumpkins reported that our Code Enforcer, Ken Schnur, is here to give a report.

Ken Schnur thanked the Board for hiring him and stated that he thinks this will work out well for everyone. Ken Schnur passed out a worksheet detailing all the violations he has been working on and pictures of 1941 Cedarwood to the Board. Ken Schnur stated that the village has had a lot of problems with 1941 Cedarwood and that he had difficulty catching up with the homeowner until he finally did on a Sunday. He spoke with the

gentlemen and got him to comply somewhat. His garage doors are now down and he boarded one of them up.

Ken Schnur stated that he discussed tearing down the garage with the homeowner of 735 Warrior. The garage leans to the left quite drastically and has supposedly been this way for a few years. Ken Schnur stated that he reluctantly went inside the garage with the homeowner and there are just a couple of 2 x 4's holding it up. Ken Schnur stressed to the homeowner that it is extremely unsafe for anyone to be in the garage. The homeowner is widowed and appears to have a hardship. Ken Schnur mentioned that in the past the village has assisted in tearing down garages where there is a hardship. Ken Schnur stated that originally he thought the Board might be willing to assist but that recently the homeowner has placed her house on the market so the village does not need to help in tearing down the garage. Mayor Lumpkins stated that a realtor called him today questioning if that lot could be split in two so the homeowner is definitely putting the house up for sale and also stated that the lot is not big enough to split. Ken Schnur stated that he did get her to board up the entry door although she does still go in the garage.

Ken Schnur stated that the village has had a problem with 800 Tomahawk. The homeowner has quite a few unlicensed vehicles and a corvette that he parks on the grass. Ken Schnur stated that he has talked to the homeowner at length and eventually got him to move the corvette off the grass. Ken Schnur stated that our ordinance states inoperable vehicles and technically his vehicles aren't inoperable but just not licensed and they could possibly fall under yard nuisance. Ken Schnur gave the homeowner a list of charities that he could donate the cars to. Ken Schnur stated that he would try to slowly work with this homeowner.

Ken Schnur stated that he is aware the village received a complaint last week and would like to explain what happened. Ken Schnur stated that he couldn't tell if a home on Pontiac had a garage door. He went up to a gentleman who was digging in the dirt and as he always does, he introduced himself and asked the man if he was the homeowner. The man stated that he was the homeowner and so Ken Schnur asked the man if the garage has a door. The man stated it did so Ken Schnur asked if the door worked and he stated it did. Ken Schnur then asked the man to close the garage door at night. Ken Schnur stated that this man ended up being the seventeen year-old son of the homeowner. Ken Schnur stated that he went back last Saturday to explain the whole situation to the mother.

Ken Schnur stated that he caught a few people doing work with no permits and gets the homeowners to come in and apply for a permit. Ken Schnur stated that he treats all the residents the same way, with respect, just like he would like respect in return.

Mayor Lumpkins stated that it sounds really good and he thinks Ken Schnur is approaching things the right way. Trustee Faught questioned where yard appearance is written on the worksheet if that refers to tall grass. Ken Schnur stated that yard appearance could be a car, boat or camper parked on the grass or that the grass is too tall and that it is a general description. Ken Schnur stated that the letter after the ordinance number would tell exactly which one it is. Mayor Lumpkins told Ken Schnur that if he sees something we are not covering to please let us know. Ken Schnur stated that we have a number limit of two dogs but we do not have a limit to the number of cats. Ken Schnur stated that a resident named Wesley Scholls has lots of cats and even a pot belly pig. Mayor Lumpkins stated that we do not allow potbelly pigs anymore but this one was from a long time ago. Trustee Faught stated that she would check with Stay and Spay to see if they are working with anyone in the village and get an updated report.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

There was nothing to report.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Public Safety**

Trustee Meeks reported there is a memo from Chief Johnson regarding road closings. Lake Street will be closed September 29 – October 8 at the railroad crossings, Route 83 at Route 137 will be closed October 11 – October 22, Center Street will be closed November 1 – November 9 and Route 120 at Route 83 will be closed November 11- November 24. Mayor Lumpkins asked Trustee Meeks to give a copy of the street closings to Maribel Sancen to include the information in our newsletter.

### **Public Works**

There was nothing to report.

### **Building & Zoning**

There was nothing to report.

### **Sewer & Water**

There was nothing to report.

### **Administration**

There was nothing to report.

### **Ordinances**

There was nothing to report.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Park**

Mayor Lumpkins stated that he would like to get a couple people to put together park rules to present to the Board. Mayor Lumpkins, Trustee Katzel and Trustee Germann decided to get together to work on the park rules.

Mayor Lumpkins reported that the parking lot will be paved tomorrow and striped the following day.

**WRLR – Round Lake Radio**

Mayor Lumpkins reported that he received a contract from the radio station and would like the Board to review and note changes. We will then need to get permission to send the contract to our attorney for a final viewing to ensure that the village is protected. A copy will be distributed to the Board and will be discussed at the next committee meeting.

Ken Schnur reported that the News Sun called him and wanted to know about the building for the radio station and stated that he had not returned this phone call. Mayor Lumpkins stated that we are in the first stage of an agreement with the radio station and if the News Sun wants any further comment they should call the village hall.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**IMLRMA Safety Award**

Mayor Lumpkins reported that we received the IMLRMA Safety Award in recognition of an outstanding accident prevention record with the Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association for 2003. We have not had any incidents with our insurance. Mayor Lumpkins passed around the plaque that we received.

**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: 7:32 P.M.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan A. Mahoney  
Village Clerk