

**VILLAGE OF ROUND LAKE HEIGHTS
619 W. PONTIAC COURT – BOARD ROOM
COMMITTEE MEETING – SEPTEMBER 7, 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 Jacobsen = Absent
Trustee Katzel = Absent	Trustee Germann = Present
Trustee Mahoney = Absent	Trustee Faught = Present
Mayor Lumpkins = Present	Village Clerk Mahoney = Present
Also Present = Tony Beaudion (Web Designer)	

Mayor Lumpkins requested to amend the agenda to move B. Village Web Site to be first and move A. Annexation Agreement to be second.

MOTION

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

ADMINISTRATIVE

Village Web Site

Mayor Lumpkins asked if there is anything else needed for the web site and Tony Beaudion stated that for the first phase he just needs the bios from the Board members by Friday. Tony Beaudion stated that he currently has nothing on the history so he would like to receive that by Friday. If there are any write ups or events that we would like on the web site then we need to also give that information to the contact person, Maribel Sancen. Mayor Lumpkins stated that he would take care of getting the history information and that we need to get some write up information about the park. Tony Beaudion stated that after phase one we can start adding agendas, approved minutes and anything else we like to the web site. Mayor Lumpkins questioned how far back we should go for the minutes and Tony Beaudion stated we could start with September minutes, once approved, and usually have a couple years and then could still have them archived if we want. Trustee Faught questioned how far in advance do we let him know of events to post and Tony Beaudion stated as soon as we know about the event we could post it. Mayor Lumpkins stated that we would get bios, history, park write up and events to him by Friday.

Trustee Mahoney arrived at 7:04 p.m.

Annexation Agreement

Mayor Lumpkins reported that there are two annexations to discuss. The first is that the Zoning Board met in August and are recommending that

the Village Board approve the petition for annexation agreement for the property by Nix's and this will be on the October Board packet.

For the second annexation Mayor Lumpkins reported that he met with the Jacksons and the Braunsdorfs and they have property on Rollins Road and they would like to come into the village of Round Lake Heights. Mayor Lumpkins stated that a property parcel on Fairfield Road and Lake Shore Drive (Parcel #029) is owned by a gentleman who lives in Florida and he was unable to reach him but did send him a letter to try to convince him to annex into the village. There is one family we have not contacted yet but if the rest of the property gets annexed in then this piece will be a part of it also. All of this property is currently residential but we would like to make it commercial which would be beneficial to the property owners when they sell. Mayor Lumpkins stated that we would agree to not make it commercial until a developer takes over the property. Since we are approaching them because this would be very beneficial to our village, they would like the village to pay for the annexation agreement and we will pay for all of our attorney costs. We would be able to extend our water main from Harris Bank to the corner of Fairfield and Rollins. Mayor Lumpkins stated that this would be a huge commercial base with huge sales tax that our village desperately needs. Mayor Lumpkins stated that he is looking for permission to start working with the attorney for at least the properties owned by the Jacksons and Braunsdorfs until the annexation gets closer when they will work on the other properties. The Board did not have any problem with Mayor Lumpkins to start working with the attorney for the annexation of the property on Rollins Road.

WRLR

Mayor Lumpkins reported that he met with Bish Krywko and he is putting together a proposal. They are looking for the first two years to be rent free and the first two years would include a new roof, siding, windows, landscaping around the old village hall and any building maintenance. Mayor Lumpkins stated that he told them for years three to five we would be looking to receive \$750.00 a month, years six to ten \$1,000.00 a month and after the tenth year we would renegotiate a contract. Mayor Lumpkins gave them a list of safety items we want included in the contract and when his attorney has completed the contract the Board will receive a copy to review. Mayor Lumpkins asked the Board if they have any problems with this and the Board agreed with Mayor Lumpkins.

Park

Mayor Lumpkins stated that there will be a drinking water fountain at the park which was part of the water grant. They will also do grading and blanketing hopefully in mid October which was also part of the grant.

Mayor Lumpkins asked the Board if they have any preference in lights at the park and Trustee Faught stated it would be nice to stay with the same lights as what is around the pond. Mayor Lumpkins stated we probably

need about six lights which would cost about \$1,200.00 and asked the Board if they had a problem with that and the Board did not.

Mayor Lumpkins stated that we need to think about a name for the park. We would like to minimize signs at the park so it would be best to include the rules and name of the park on the same sign and it would be best to get the rules posted soon. Mayor Lumpkins stated that we could open up naming the park to the public which would be a lengthy process or the Board could decide the name so that we can get the rules and name sign posted right away. The Board feels that we should get a sign posted as soon as possible so they will pick a name. Trustee Faught asked Mayor Lumpkins if he had any names in mind and he stated that he would like to see something similar to the name of the street like Pontiac Park but it can be named anything the Board wants. Mayor Lumpkins asked the Board to write down any names and rules and we will discuss this next week. Mayor Lumpkins stated that he would like the sign to go up as soon as the water main project is completed. The signs will probably be purchased from Sign Central and would cost \$400.00 to \$500.00.

Mayor Lumpkins stated that he would like to get permission to move an electric pole that is right in front of the park. The electric company is willing to move the pole and just need an easement to do so. We have a utility easement on the piece of property going to Rollins Road where we did the sanitary sewer for Cambridge Homes. Mayor Lumpkins would like to have permission to have the attorney draw up the papers so we can have the homeowner sign off on that easement. We could then move the electric pole away from the park and still light up the whole corner. Mayor Lumpkins stated this would take about sixteen weeks. Mayor Lumpkins asked the Board if they had a problem with that and the Board did not.

Mayor Lumpkins asked the Board if there were any other issues with the park and Trustee Faught questioned about trash receptacles. Mayor Lumpkins stated that the receptacles were going to cost approximately \$250.00 but Rolf Veil, who has helped out tremendously with the park, is going the extra mile and making trash receptacles for us to go around the garbage cans we bought. Our costs will be drastically reduced because of his work. Mayor Lumpkins stated that we should do something for him after this park is completed because he really has done a lot for us at the park.

Trustee Faught questioned if we should have a bike rack. Mayor Lumpkins stated that a bike rack would cost about \$500.00 to \$600.00. Trustee Meeks stated that she thinks there should be a bike rack and Trustee Mahoney and Trustee Germann agreed. Mayor Lumpkins asked

the Board if anyone had a problem with the village purchasing a bike rack for the park and the Board had no problem.

Mayor Lumpkins stated that he talked with Stormwater Management and Motor Fuel Tax in regards to park parking. If we spend under \$10,000.00 we will be fine using those funds from motor fuel tax. For \$9,900.00 Superior Paving can put in a parking lot. They do not need any engineering plans as long as we meet their requirements, which we did receive. Their estimate is to excavate and remove all parking lot to be located, install 8" gravel grade compact, install 1 1/2" binder and 1 1/2" surface (3" total thickness), stripe the parking lot - 20 stalls (one handicapped stall meeting the handicapped laws, one striped stall to get in and out for handicapped and 18 regular stalls). They also recommended installing concrete car stoops, which we could do in a second phase, for \$1,565.00. Mayor Lumpkins stated that he did present this to our engineer and that Mr. Bleck wants to do plans. Mr. Bleck felt that we need plans for our annual motor fuel tax report but when Mayor Lumpkins talked to motor fuel tax they stated we did not need plans. Mayor Lumpkins talked to Stormwater Management and they had no issues with the parking lot as drainage is fine there but Mayor Lumpkins will check to make sure they do not need engineering plans. Mayor Lumpkins stated that if the Board wants to go through the engineering process that it probably would not be installed this year and we also would have the engineering bill. Trustee Faught questioned where the parking lot would be located and Mayor Lumpkins stated it would be almost identical to how it is currently roped off, to the right of the fire hydrant to about 20 to 25 feet from the curb. Mayor Lumpkins asked the Board if they would like to go through the engineering plan process. Trustee Faught stated that if all the agencies that have to give their blessings do not require engineering plans then we should not spend the money and Trustee Mahoney agreed. Mayor Lumpkins asked if anyone had a problem with approving this next week at the Board meeting because Superior Paving stated that after that they could have it installed and in operation within seven days. The Board agreed to have this up for approval next week and it will be two separate bills, \$9,900.00 for the first part and \$1,565.00 for the second part.

School District

Mayor Lumpkins reported that they are supposed to be correcting the lighting on the street where they have the buses turn in on right before Chesapeake Trails. They have brought all their escrows up and they have paid their engineers and attorneys in full.

Round Lake High School

Mayor Lumpkins reported that Round Lake High School would like us to purchase an advertising spot in their upcoming 2004 Fall Sports Program. Hainesville and Round Lake Beach are already in there and Round Lake is supposed to be getting in too. The rates vary from \$425 for a full page to

\$85 for 1/16 page for a season. Round Lake Beach took 1/8 page advertisement and Hainesville took 1/16 page advertisement. Trustee Meeks stated that we should support them and the Board agreed to purchase a 1/16 page ad for \$85.00 to show our support.

2004-R-08 “Adopt-A-Classroom”

Mayor Lumpkins reported that 2004-R-08 “Adopt-A-Classroom” will be on the Board packet next week which has businesses and citizens support the cost of a classroom for District 116.

Community Block Grant

Mayor Lumpkins reported that the community block grant 2003/2004 is going well. They were off Lotus within seven days and should be starting on Pontiac. They should be finished with restoration and everything by October 15.

Mobil Business and Liquor License

Mayor Lumpkins reported that Mobil is looking for their business and liquor license and this will be on next week’s agenda.

Pig Roast/Haunted House

The Haunted House dates set are October 8,9,15,16,22,23,29 and 30 and the pig roast is set for October 30. Mayor Lumpkins reported that Bud Kowalski and some of the other employees want to do the pig roast on October 23 and October 30. The reason for two pig roasts is because the pig roast was our big night last year and they feel it might help bring in more money this year. Trustee Faught questioned if we are going to have enough volunteers to work. Mayor Lumpkins stated that would be up to us and that we would keep October 30 as the big night for all the other special children’s events. Trustee Meeks stated that she would not be able to help because she is having surgery on October 5. The Board agreed to hold the pig roast on October 23 and October 30.

Mayor Lumpkins stated that we need to agree on how much money we want to spend on advertising. In order to have a successful event where we draw people from other villages we need to advertise the event in all the local papers. The Board agreed to spend money to advertise in local papers for our haunted house and pig roast.

Changing Meeting Date

Mayor Lumpkins reported that Trustee Jacobsen changed jobs and will no longer be able to attend Tuesday meetings and was looking to change the meeting date to Friday. Mayor Lumpkins reported that he told Trustee Jacobsen that he would bring this up to the Board for their input. Mayor Lumpkins stated that he had already spoken with Trustee Katzel and Fridays would be very difficult for him at this time. Trustee Meeks stated

that she understands where Trustee Jacobsen is coming from, she is going to miss him a lot but Friday nights are cutting into personal time and Trustee Mahoney and Trustee Germann agreed. Trustee Faught stated that she would already have a conflict for meetings in both October and November. The Board agreed to keep the meeting night as Tuesday.

CORRESPONDENCE

Clerk Mahoney reported that newsletters received were: Illinois Municipal Review.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Safety

Trustee Meeks reported that as of August 19 John Fisher is no longer employed with the village of Round Lake Heights.

Trustee Meeks reported that we hired a new code enforcer, Ken Schnur. Ken Schnur is a resident of Round Lake Park and a trustee for Round Lake Park. We gave him a magnetic sign that says the Village of Round Lake Heights for him to put on his vehicle door. Trustee Germann stated that he met Ken Schnur and he's very good.

Trustee Meeks reported that for the first ten days of school there were three arrests for truancy, three arrests for battery, three arrests for disorderly conduct, one traffic ticket and twelve parking tickets.

Trustee Meeks reported that we received a certificate from Round Lake Park's Festival and Car Show for winning best police car. Mayor Lumpkins stated that we won a trophy from the Memorial Day parade in Round Lake so we now have three trophies.

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

Trustee Germann stated that Round Lake Beach just put in an ordinance last year for scooters and motorized skateboards and he would like us to have the same ordinance. Trustee Germann passed out a copy of their ordinance to the Board to review and stated he would like to vote on this next week. Mayor Lumpkins stated that with the motorized vehicles you must have a license so the only other ones would be skateboards and scooters and he thinks the police are already addressing them. Mayor Lumpkins questioned if there is a lot of problems with this. Trustee

Germann stated that residents are the ones having problems and that Chief Johnson stated that nobody has come to him about a problem with these. Discussion ensued among the Board. Mayor Lumpkins asked Trustee Meeks to discuss this with Chief Johnson to see if this is a problem and we will discuss this briefly next week and if we need to pass an ordinance we can do that the following month.

OLD BUSINESS There was nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS There was nothing to report.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

Angie Meeks questioned if we will light up the gazebo and if we will have a Christmas tree in the gazebo at the park. Mayor Lumpkins stated that the gazebo is wired for electric so once we run the electric there we will be able to do a lot. Angie Meeks commented that she really want a Christmas tree lighting ceremony in this town.

Angie Meeks stated that the speeding is really bad on Lotus.

Angie Meeks stated that she is available to help at the Pig Roast and also suggested to turn one of the pig roast weekends into hamburgers and hot dogs. Mayor Lumpkins stated that we do hot dogs for the children and feels that at that time of the year we will get a better turnout with a pig roast.

A resident stated that he has a 35 foot evergreen in his yard at the corner of Lotus and Warrior that the village is more than welcome to take for the Christmas tree lighting ceremony.

A resident questioned what type of development or businesses would be going into the proposed Rollins Road annexed property. Mayor Lumpkins stated that it would be all retail, similar to the Round Lake Beach businesses already along Rollins Road, and hopefully we could get a huge anchor store to go in.

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

ADJOURNMENT: 7:48 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan A. Mahoney
Village Clerk