**VILLAGE OF ROUND LAKE HEIGHTS**

**619 W. PONTIAC COURT – BOARD ROOM**

**COMMITTEE MEETING – MARCH 1, 2022**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Village of Round Lake Heights Board Meeting was called to order by Mayor Lumpkins at 7:00 pm

**ROLL CALL** Trustee Meeks = Present Trustee Pekar = Present

Trustee Mahoney = Present Trustee Weigand= Present

Trustee Walker = Present Mayor Lumpkins = Present

Trustee Katzel = Present Village Clerk Carrillo= Present

Mayor Lumpkins requested to amend the agenda and add item C Introduction if Robert Sarra who will be a part time Police Officer for the Village and introduce Kyle Odom who will be attending the part time Police Academy in March.

**MOTION** A motion was made by Trustee Meeks, Seconded by Trustee Katzel and unanimously approved to amend the agenda and add item C Introduction if Robert Sarra who will be a part time Police Officer for the Village and introduce Kyle Odom who will be attending the part time Police Academy in March.

**COMMENTS** There was nothing to report.

**ADMINISTRATIVE**

Appointed or Elected Clerk

Mayor Lumpkins stated he wanted to bring this up again as he thinks it is very important to review. He wants the position of Clerk to be an appointed position due to the fact that keeping this position as an elected position makes it really hard on him when someone moves and has to resign because with elected positions you do have to live in the Village. He does believe that many of those people that left due to moving would have stayed and it makes it really hard on him to retrain someone. He stated he collected the information from the municipalities in Lake County with less than 5,000 residents and about 85% percent of the ones that got back to us have appointed Clerks. He wanted to know what the Committee thought about making it an appointed position as he does need 5 votes to pass. Trustee Katzel and Walker stated as the Clerk position does not have any voting rights or say so in what gets passed they see no issue with making it an appointed position. Trustee Weigand and Trustee Katzel stated they have no problem making it an appointed position. Trustee Meeks stated she wanted to keep it an elected position even though she knows the Clerk has no say in Ordinances or voting rights at Board meetings she thinks that a Clerk that lives in the Village will be more inclined to do more for the Village. Trustee Mahoney stated he is on the fence about the position and sees both sides of the argument. He would like for a poll to go out to the residents and base his decision on what our residents would like to do. Mayor Lumpkins stated he can get a poll out and send it out with the next water bill as long as everyone else agreed to make it an appointed position beside Trustee Meeks. He stated he will let the Board know the results once they are received.

Physical Recovery Fund

Mayor Lumpkins asked if anyone has any input on this. Everyone is still in agreeance with spending the money on vehicles. Trustee Walker suggested it gets spent on some kind of tutoring programs for the kids that have missed a year of school. Trustee Mahoney agreed with this and thought it would be a great idea. Mayor Lumpkins was not sure how that would work and asked Trustee Walker to research how that would work.

Introduction of Robert Sarra and Kyle Odom

Officer Maculan introduced Robert Sarra and Kyle Odom. He stated Robert was a previous Police Officer and was looking to get back into the field. Robert Sarra introduced himself to the Committee and stated he had previously worked with Officer Maculan and he asked him to come work for the Village. He stated he was excited for the opportunity. Mayor Lumpkins asked that he be put on the Board Agenda for appointment. Kyle Odom introduced himself and thanked the Committee.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Clerk Carrillo stated IML review was received.

**COMMITTEE**

**REPORTS**

Administrative and Finance

There was nothing to report.

Public Works and Building and Zoning

There was nothing to report.

Public Safety and Ordinances

Trustee Meeks stated that she had the memo from the Chief. She stated that 3 out of the 4 cameras are not HD and he is requesting an upgrade. Mayor Lumpkins stated we would still be keeping the old ones in case they break. Trustee Meeks stated the cost for each camera is $1,023 so the total for all the camera upgrades would be $3,069. Mayor Lumpkins asked it gets put on the next Board Agenda for approval.

Trustee Mahoney stated that the Police Officers have continued their education and received 15 certifications of completion from the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board.

**OLD BUSINESS** Mayor Lumpkins stated that he is trying to put together a Q and A for the IMRF meetings that he has been having to share with the Board. He requested this item be put on the third meeting of the month.

Mayor Lumpkins stated that he is meeting with the school district on Friday and they seem like they will be agreeing to pay for a full time Police Officer at the school. He will give more information to the Committee at the next Committee meeting.

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

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board did not enter executive session.

**MOTION** A motion was made by Trustee Meeks, Seconded by Trustee Walker

and unanimously passed to adjourn.

**ADJOURNMENT 7:25 P.M.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Erica Carrillo

Village Clerk