



VILLAGE OF WILLIAMS BAY

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OFFICIAL MINUTES PARKS & LAKEFRONT COMMITTEE 05/05/22 MEETING THURSDAY, MAY 5, 2022 AT 9:00 AM VILLAGE HALL COUNCIL ROOM

I. Call to Order

Trustee D'Alessandro called the meeting to order at 9:00am.

II. Roll Call

Present: Trustees Jim D'Alessandro, Matt Stanek and Lowell Wright (arrived at 9:04am)

Also Present: President Duncan, Trustee Umans, Administrator Tobin, Clerk Pankau-Daniels, Chief Timm, Rec Dept Director Rowland and Ventures Endurance Representatives Lou Seal and Alex Mott

III. Proposed Triathlon sponsored by Ventures Endurance

Two representatives from Ventures Endurance, Lou Seal and Alex Mott, were present and spoke about the proposed Triathlon. They stated that this triathlon has been held at Big Foot State Park in the past, but due to problems arising from the pandemic, the State cannot host it anymore and Ventures Endurance would like to host it in Williams Bay. They are looking to do this during the first or second week of September this year to stay away from peak boating season. They stated that if they get the chance to go back to Big Foot State Park in the future, they most likely would. The State stated that they do not have the resources to maintain the trails and beach this year. It was stated that the Triathlon in Fontana is already scheduled for September 17th, so this event would be a week or two weeks before that. Ventures Endurance stated that their Triathlon is more for fun, not competition like the Fontana one is, so it would be marketed to a different crowd. It was stated that the Fat Tire Bike Tour is already scheduled for September 10th, so Ventures Endurance would be looking at September 11th to avoid moving to Labor Day Weekend. Trustee D'Alessandro mentioned the number of entities that would need to be approached and get approval from, such as the Police Departments, Kishwaukee Nature Conservancy, Lion's Club, Water Safety Patrol and Geneva Lake Law Enforcement. It was stated that based on averages, they expect around 220 vehicles that would need a place to park. Parking lot options were discussed. Trustee Wright stated that the costs would need to be looked into as the Village Budget does not have any room for this to cover Police Overtime costs, etc. Ventures Endurance stated that they do help with those costs and would like to get a cost ahead of time to be able to pay up front.

Trustee Stanek stated that as long as they are bonded and insured and can cover costs up front, he would be in favor of it. Trustee Wright stated that he is uncomfortable with the date coming up so soon, but he would like it to go to the full Board for discussion and a decision. Trustee Stanek stated that we may want to speak with the Village of Fontana so that they do not feel that we are in competition with their Triathlon.

The motion to move forward with this process to allow Ventures Endurance to speak with the involved entities and bring a formal proposal to the Village Board at the May 16th meeting was initiated by Matt Stanek and seconded by Lowell Wright. Unanimously carried.

IV. Adjourn

The motion to adjourn was initiated by Lowell Wright and seconded by Matt Stanek at 9:36am. Unanimously carried.

/s/ Jackie Pankau-Daniels, Village Clerk

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