

VILLAGE OF FONTANA ON GENEVA LAKE

Walworth County, WI

Lakefront and Harbor Committee

Tuesday, August 5, 2025

(Final Minutes)

The meeting of the Lakefront and Harbor Committee was called to order at 4:00 pm on August 5, 2025 by Trustee Chairman Pappas.

Committee Members Present: Chairman Trustee Rick Pappas, Trustee Tom Marek, Don Holst, Joel Bikowski, Ed Snyder

Committee Members Absent: Bob Chanson, Steve Beers

Also Present: President Pat Kenny, Administrator Theresa Loomer, Village Clerk Bonnie Liptak, Police Chief Jeff Cates, Citizen Tom Whowell, Citizen Rallee Whowell Chupich

Visitors Heard

None

General Business

Approval of Lakefront Meeting Minutes for July 2, 2025 Meeting

The minutes were distributed.

Bikowski/Marek 2nd made a MOTION to approve the minutes from the July 2, 2025 meeting, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Discussion or Action on Sec. 54-161, General Regulations

The Regulations were distributed. Administrator Loomer stated that there are several things that could be addressed in an update to the ordinance related to beach passes: where they are sold, who can buy them and how the badges should be displayed. Currently the ordinance states that passes are sold only at Village Hall, does not reflect the practice of selling passes to students at Big Foot High School and states that passes are attached to a bathing suit or towel. The committee directed staff to update ordinance Section 54-161(a)(1) to reflect that beach passes can be sold to Fontana Grade School Students as well as Big Foot High School residents at the rate determined by the board, that beach passes shall be permanently affixed to a swim suite or towel, and that they may be sold at the beach. Staff was directed to present the updated ordinance at next month's meeting.

Discussion or Action and Update on Complaint re: Lake Street Business Mooring Increases and Encroachments

The Lakefront Inventory and Review Report drafted by the Zoning Administrator were distributed. Pappas stated that there was a complaint about mooring encroachments. Citizen Tom Whowell stated that the map that was used does not accurately represent the property lines. Chairman Pappas stated that the map does reflect inaccuracy as it is a GIS map and not a survey. Citizen Chupich stated that there is documentation that illustrates a discrepancy between the Designated Mooring Area (DMA) report that the Lakefront utilized in its DMA report this year. Chairman Pappas recommended that a meeting be set up between, Citizen Whowell, Citizen Rallee Whowell Chupich, Chairman Pappas and Administrator Loomer for August 7, 2025 to review the discrepancies. Chairman Pappas and President Kenny stated that there should be a formalized process for fielding complaints going forward.

Set Next Meeting Date

The next meeting date is set for August 27, 2025 at 4pm

Adjournment

Trustee Marek/Bikowski 2nd made a MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 4:36 pm, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Minutes prepared by: Bonnie Liptak, Village Clerk

Note: These minutes are subject to further editing. Once approved by the Lakefront and Harbor Committee, the official minutes will be kept on file at the Village Hall.

APPROVED: 09/03/25