

**Village Of Downers Grove
Tourism and Events Commission
Committee Room**

801 Burlington Avenue, Downers Grove, IL
Thursday, February 20, 2003

SUMMARY

PRESENT: Chairman Humphreys, Mr. Paul Bleuher, Mr. Frank Fulco, Ms. Patti Marino, Kathy Nybo, Ms. Ellen Pendola, Mr. John Randall
Staff: Ms. Mary Scalzetti, Ms. Laura Kestelik
ABSENT: Mr. David Dahm, Ms. Wendy Snow

Chairman Humphreys called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm

1. January 16, 2003 meeting minutes accepted as presented.
2. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
Events Committee - Ms. Pendola gave an update from the Feb. 13 meeting
Tourism Committee – No meeting scheduled
3. **STAFF REPORT**
 - A. Ms. Scalzetti reported on several Heritage Festival RFP's which were discussed and voted on at the Events Subcommittee meeting on Feb. 13. The commission agreed with the Events Subcommittee's recommendations as follows:
 1. Stages – Contract to: North Park Rental and Braun
 2. Toilets – Contract to: Hygoport
 3. Lighting – Contract to: MLH Lighting and AB Productions (Fishel Park on Sat. only)
 4. Sound – Contract to: RJ Recording and AB Productions (Fishel Park on Sat. only)
 5. Electricity – Contract to: Gen Power
 - B. Ms. Scalzetti passed out copies of the 2003 Bike Race contract and asked the members to review and email her by Fri., Feb. 28 with any suggestions for changes to the contract.
4. **OLD BUSINESS**

Chairman Humphreys has asked the members to evaluate the past year's meetings and recommend changes to the current structure of the Commission.

 - A. Ms. Marino and Ms. Pendola feel that the T & E Commission is not as hands on as the CEC was. They felt some pressure on the Events Subcommittee to come up with a new event even though it has been widely known there are no funds to bring another event to Downers Grove. They would also like more communication between the two subcommittees.
 - B. Mr. Randall and Mr. Fulco feel that the Tourism Subcommittee has changed in a way which encourages openness and the hoteliers are taking more of an active role in decision making than in the past.
 - C. Mr. Fulco has offered to facilitate a meeting with the members at a different time than the commission meeting as there never seems to be enough time during the Commission meetings for discussion.

The entire commission will discuss this further at the beginning of next month's meeting.
5. **NEW BUSINESS**
No new business
6. Meeting adjourned 6:30 pm

Next meeting: March 20, 2003