PUBLIC NOTICE AND AGENDA OF THE GROVELAND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING SCHEDULED TO CONVENE AT 7:00 P.M., TUESDAY, MARCH 29, 2016 IN THE LAKE DAVID CENTER LOCATED AT 450 S. LAKE AVENUE, GROVELAND, FLORIDA

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REVISED AGENDA

1. Discussion RE: Presentations Given Regarding Usage of Sampey Property for Sports Complexes
2. Presentation: Proposal for Wakeboard Cable Ski Facility by Blue Wake, LLC

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Pursuant to the provisions of Chap. 286, F.S., Sec. 286.0105, if a person decides to appeal any decision made by this body with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and that for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record may include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based and is advised to make such arrangements at his or her own expense.

Proposed Wakeboard Cable Ski Facility

Part of Lake David, Groveland

Blue Wake LLC

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Jeffrey Charles Emmett ; British
Karine Emmett ; French

We are a Husband and Wife Team and dedicated water skiers with a 15 year old Son who is a UK Slalom Silver Medalist

Our goal is to create a new Wakeboard Cable recreational facility for Groveland, on part of Lake David

Rixen Cable US

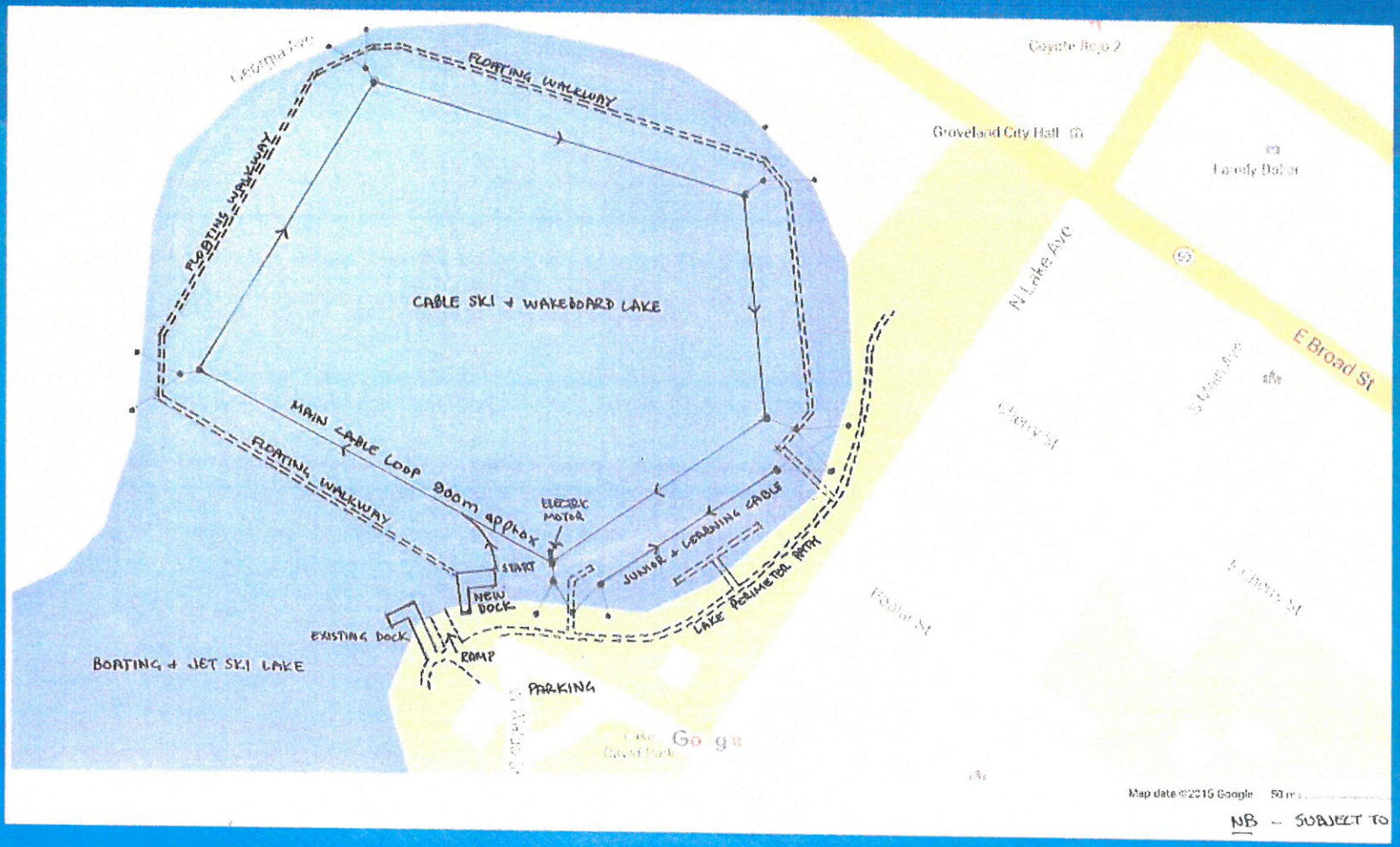
Kai Fusser ; German

Based in Orlando,
Kai has been personally responsible for most of the cable ski installations in the US, including OWC near Orlando International Airport and more recently in Dade County, Miami

Why Lake David?

1) Centrally located as part of an established recreational park.
2) Car parking, toilets, picnic shaded area and other facilities exist.
3) Groveland is scheduled to be a re-generation area and this facility will help draw people into Groveland for the benefit of tourism as well as the restaurants and business community
4) There are many local wakeboarders, knee boarders and skiers in the Groveland / Clermont area who would love to have such a facility on their doorstep. The nearest alternative is OWC, near Orlando Airport.
5) We would only require the smaller portion of the lake, leaving the larger area for other water users
6) This is very much our first choice locally, but we are aware of another opportunity, being the new retention pond required in connection with the diversion of Highway 50. That could work for us, but is a few years away, is a little on the small side and would require high infrastructure start up costs, which could affect the viability.

Draft Layout – Lake David Park



Rixen Cable Systems

2 systems would be required, a beginners singe line cable supported on 2 masts where basic skills and safety can be on a one to one basis and an advanced loop supported on 5 masts, where 9 boarders can participate at any one time

Running costs are low and this can be passed onto the participants, making the whole experience very affordable for families and children

Other Rixen Installations

A Public Lake is ideal for this facility, particularly within a park where there are already other established recreational uses

Miami-Dade is just one example of co-operation between a private operator and Dade County, using a State owned lake to create a Wakeboard Cable Park for their community and tourism.

Lake David already has most of the required public facilities.
All that we would require would be a small secure building necessary for our reception, our computers and for rental equipment storage.

All our operators would be fully trained and hold the appropriate Certification in cable operation and first aid. All participants will wear floatation jackets and safety helmets and will be fully briefed before taking to the water. A small rescue boat will be provided and where there are no lakeside footpaths, we will provide a floating walkway so that any fallers can walk back to the dock in complete safety.

Local Employment

We will be giving employment to the following:-

A qualified Site Manager

A Receptionist

4 qualified cable operators

A maintenance operator

Environmental & Wildlife

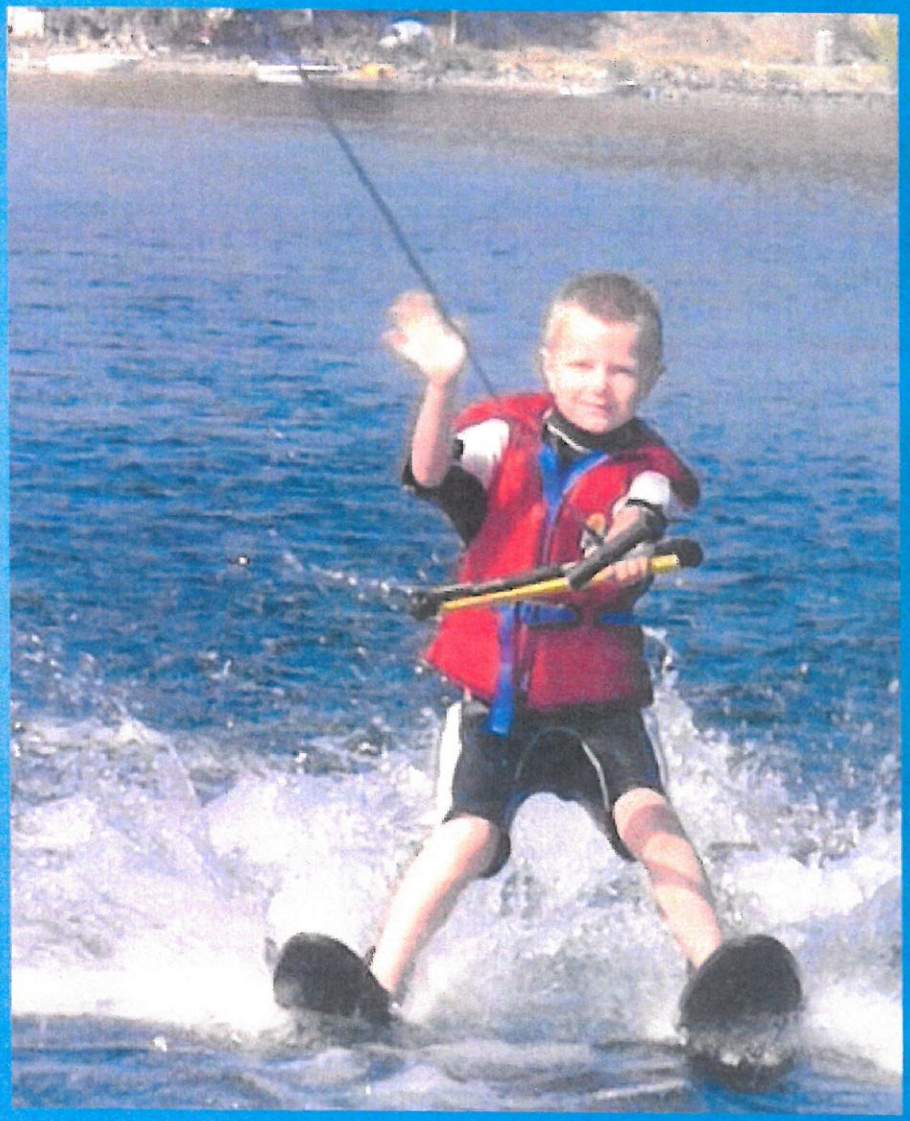
As no tow boat is required the system is both quiet and environmentally friendly.

There will be no gas or oil costs to recover, nor will there be an emissions onto the atmosphere or pollution in the lake. There will be no spinning propellers to damage fish, other wildlife or lake margins, and the water gets aerated by the action of the wakeboarders.

Recreation and Fitness

Any form of watersport is good for fitness, health and wellbeing.

Cable skiing is a great way to introduce young and people of all ages into this sport, where whole families or groups can all ski or wakeboard and have fun together at an affordable price.



CONCLUSION

We will require many permits for this venture from the DEP and with this in mind, we must first seek support in principle from Groveland City. Lake David Park, with its central location and recreational facilities, makes for the ideal location. We have no doubt that this will bring many benefits to the local community, as well as attract additional tourism. This is very much our first choice and we hope that you will support us.