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TO: Township Board

FROM: Deby Henneman, Township Coordinator

DATE: March 8, 2024

AGENDA ITEM TOPIC: Park Approval – Huron 100 Races – Huron 100 Endurance Run Ultramarathon
Lakelands Trail & Township Area - June 8 & 9, 2024
Number of Supporting Documents: **2 - Application Packet & Course Details**

Requested Action

To approve the application, as submitted by Huron 100 Races dated 2/7/24, for the Huron 100 Endurance Run Ultramarathon to be held June 8 & 9, 2024, contingent on all requested information being provided to the Clerk's Department to their satisfaction, that the hazard level be set for public safety at Low, that the fees for both Park Use and Public Safety, if any, be waived due to the nature and location of the event, that signage be allowed in support of this event as outlined in the Parklands Use Permit Sign Policy, and that the applicant work with Community Service Sergeant Paul on all aspects of Public Safety.

Background

This is a new event which is planning to use a small portion of the Lakelands Trail, but is largely occurring in the Waterloo State Recreation area, Brighton Recreation, and trail systems throughout DNR lands and Metroparks. Permits are pending with the DNR, and Livingston County Road Commission. Applicant has had discussions with Sergeant Paul about their plans and the timing of the activity within Hamburg Township.

The event mission is to raise proceeds and awareness for the Huron River Watershed Council. While it does happen during a Blackout period in Manly Bennett, the event solely takes place on a small portion of the Mike Levine Lakelands Trail State Park and is not a cause for concern.

Parks and Recreation Committee recommended this use at their February 20, 2024 meeting.

Public Safety recommended a Low Hazard level at their March 5, 2024 meeting, with a stipulation that the applicant contact Sgt. Paul to finalize the Public Safety details.



Hamburg Township Manly Bennett Park

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Park Use Application

And Release of Liability & Indemnification Agreement

(Application must be submitted 60 days before requested use)

Applicant Information:

Event Sponsor (or name if family or individual use): Huron 100 Races

Name of Event: Huron 100 Endurance Run

Type of Event: Ultramarathon Park Use Category #: Select One

Applicant Name: Dan Hughes

Date(s) of Event: June 8th and 9th Time(s) of Event: 10am 6/8 - 7pm 6/9

Applicant Address: 11993 East Shore Drive

Applicant City: Whitmore Lake State: MI Zip: 48189

Contact Person (present during use): Dan Hughes

Contact's Affiliation with Applicant: _____

Contact's Phone: 810 - 206 - 9767 Contact's E-Mail: Hughesdvm@gmail.com

Event Co-applicant, if any: _____

Co-applicant relationship to Applicant: _____

Co-applicant's phone: _____

Insurance Information:

Insurance Carrier: Alliance of Nonprofits for Insurance

Policy #: 2024 - 82060 Expiration Date: 02/01/2025

Limit of General Liability: 1,000,000 Occurrence 1,000,000 Aggregate _____

Umbrella Coverage Limit (if any): _____ Occurrence _____ Aggregate _____

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Event Description: *(any information that doesn't pertain to your event please indicate not applicable)*

The Huron 100 is a point-to-point ultramarathon that begins in Waterloo State Rec area and ends in Proud Lake State Rec Area. The race will cross through Hamburg Township while on the Mike Levine Lakeland trail as well as a few roads (Chambers, Hammel)

Total Number of participants/spectators/guests anticipated during event: 100

Average of participants/spectators/guests anticipated at any given time: 10

Site of Proposed Event; include all areas of the parklands that will be used: The Lakeland Trail just East of Farley Road to just behind Country Elementary School (This is about a 1 mile stretch). Brighton State Recreation area
is the other major park used within Hamburg Township but permits are pending with the DNR for that area.

Include site plan drawing reflecting all areas of the Township Park and recreational facilities the event will effect
Will there be camping and trailer facilities? If so, are overnight stays anticipated: NA

Number of Volunteers: 50 Are Volunteers trained?: Yes
Please attach copy of Volunteer Handbook if applicable

Will tents be used?: No If so, please indicate locations: _____

Under no circumstances are tent stakes to be driven into asphalt surfaces. Tent locations must be pre-approved.
Will admission be charged? If so, how much: _____
Registration fee for runners, \$250

Parking fee charged? If so, how much: No Valet service available? NA

Will Food/Beverages be served? If so, types of food and name of persons serving: _____
Food will be provided to runners at the aid stations as well as water and electrolytes. None of this will occur on the
Lakeland Trail.

For anything other than pre-packaged foods, Concession Application, Health Department License and Products Liability coverage is required.
Will there be Fireworks or any other pyrotechnic display? If so, describe: No

Insurance requirements to be established during the event review process as stated in Appendix B of the Park Facility Use Policy.
Will there be any animals present? If so, describe: No

Pets are not allowed in Parkland during events. Service Dogs are allowed with proper certification.
Will there be Amusement rides or games? If so, describe: No

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No

Will there be a need for vehicles to be used on Township grounds? If so, describe: _____

Personal vehicles require proof of Auto Liability based on the description of use and areas needing to be accessed during event.

Will there be a need for Emergency Responders over and above what is included in the Public Safety Fee? If so,

No

describe: _____

Hamburg Township reserves the right to require private security and/or emergency responders be present during any event.

Just to allow runners to use the Lakeland trail and

Specific services required from the Township, if any: _____
for us to have some course markings along the route. There will be signage indicating the 50 mile

finish line, off the Lakeland Trail into Country Elementary School.

See attached. It should be noted that

Other information regarding your event that you feel may be helpful: _____
this race takes place over 33 hours, however, only part of this will take place in Hamburg Township.

We are a non-profit that will be donating proceeds to the Huron Watershed Council to protect the river

Organized Sports and/or Sporting Events:

Please indicate type of sports event: Regular Season (Games/Practices) Sports Tournament Other

If Tournament or other event, complete Event Description on Page 2 and provide additional details, if any:
We plan on holding this ultramarathon every year in early June, if it is successful. See attached for

more detailed information. Our goals are to give back to the local running community, help our

local economies and help protect the environment, especially the Huron River Watershed.

Release of Liability & Indemnification Agreement

The approval of this park use request is contingent upon receipt of all requested information, review process of the Hamburg Township Parks & Recreation Committee, and approval of the Hamburg Township Board. The applicant may be required to provide additional information as is deemed necessary by the Parks & Recreation Committee and/or Township Board, and may be required to meet with the Parks Administrator and/or Parks Coordinator to supply additional information or to answer questions. If the Park Use Application is received less than 60 days prior to the requested event date, the Parks & recreation Committee and Township Board may process the application, however, the application fee may be increased in an amount to be determined by the Parks & Recreation Committee and/or the Township Board.

The undersigned acknowledges that he/she/they are authorized to sign this application on behalf of the applicant and that he/she/they have received a copy of all documents relating to the use of the park and recreational facilities including the Hamburg Township Park Facility Use Policy Rules and Regulations.

In further consideration of entering into this agreement, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the Applicant agrees to defend, pay on behalf of, indemnify, and hold harmless Hamburg Township, its elected and appointed officials, employees and volunteers, and others working on behalf of Hamburg Township against any and all claims, demands, suits, or loss, including all costs connected therewith, and for any damages which may be asserted, claimed, or recovered against or from Hamburg Township, by reason of personal injury, including bodily injury or death and/or property damage, including loss of use thereof, which arises out of, or is in any way connected or associated with this contract.

The Applicant covenants and agrees that it will have a representative on the premises at all times to monitor the set-up, use and tear-down of the use and all activities related to thereto and under no circumstances shall the use of the park be granted or sublet to any other group or organization without the express written permission of the Hamburg Township Board of Trustees.

Any Applicant or group or entity co-hosting an event must provide a Certificate of Insurance naming Hamburg Township as an additional insured and proof of that coverage must be provided prior to the issuance of the permit for the event. The Applicant and/or co-host of any event must comply with all rules, regulations and policies of the Township pertaining to the said use and will be ultimately responsible for any and all damages to any Hamburg Township property resulting from the use, and shall otherwise restore the Township property to its previous condition.

Personal Property Damage Claims: The applicant hereby releases Hamburg Township, its elected and appointed officials, employees and volunteers, and others working behalf of Hamburg Township, from any and all liability or responsibility to the applicant or anyone claiming through or under the applicant by way of subrogation or otherwise, for any loss or damage to applicant's property resulting from any incident, except damages resulting from the gross negligence of the Township, as it relates to the activities and uses contemplated by the application. It is understood by the applicant that all private property kept, stored or maintained in and on the Hamburg Township Park and recreational facilities shall be so kept, stored or maintained at the risk of the Applicant.

DH

Initials: _____

Public Health & Safety: The applicant hereby swears and attests that they have complied with all aspects and intent, of Background Checks and that they are in compliance with the Michigan Sports Concession Law, Acts 342 & 343, Public Acts of 2012, as referenced in the Park Facility Use Policy and outlined in Appendix A. The applicant understands that falsification of the above statement and/or failure to comply with these requirements may result in the suspension and/or revocation of the use of the Hamburg Township parkland facilities.

DH

Initials: _____

Applicant's Signature: *Daniel Nylor* Date: 2/7/2024
Co-applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____
Parks Coordinator: *[Signature]* Date: 2/12/24

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Comments: low regard per PS
w/ applicant to contact
Sgt. Paul

Meeting Approval Dates: 2/20/24 Parks & Recreation 3/5/24 Public Safety _____ Township Board

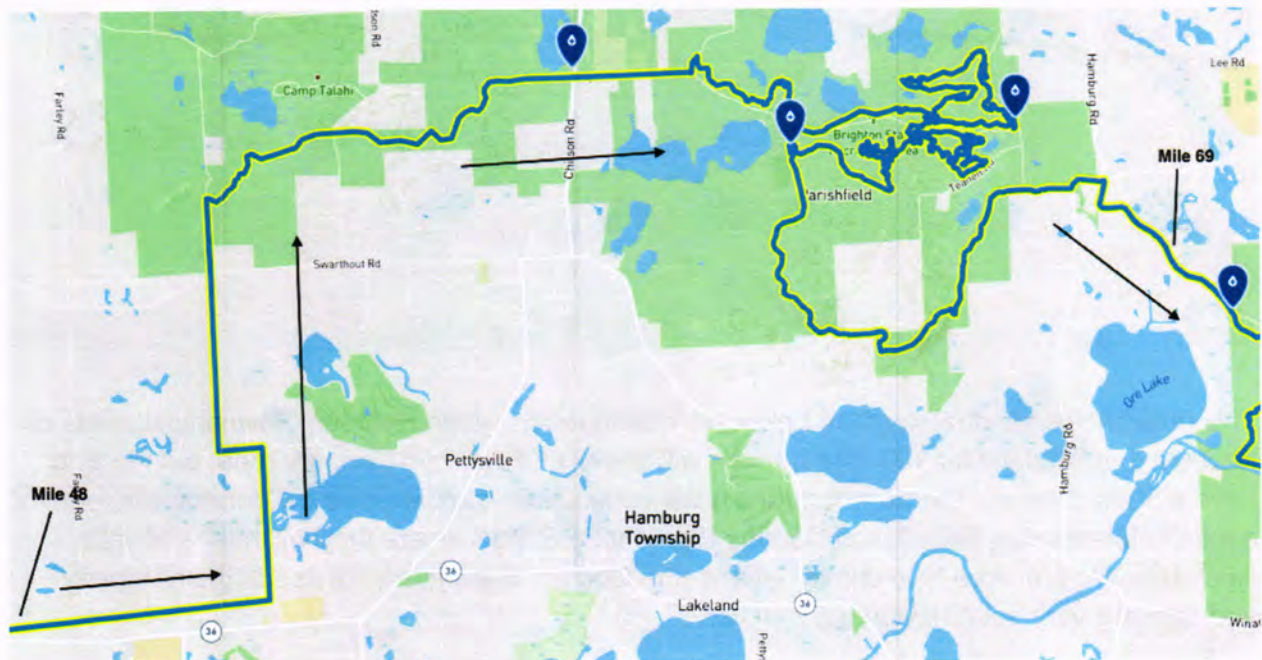
Application has been (Circle one) Approved Denied

Hamburg Township Representative: _____

Hamburg Township

Huron 100 Endurance run details:

The Huron 100 is a 100 mile foot-race through the Waterloo-Pinckney area and Huron River Watershed. It starts in the Waterloo State Recreation area at Portage Lake and ends in Proud Lake at the Huron River. The race traverses several trail systems throughout DNR lands as well as Metroparks, dirt roads and some paved roads. The entire course can be viewed on Hellodrifter (<https://www.hellodrifter.com/embedded/v1/t9SSVz>). We have attached a smaller map in this document, that shows how the route moves through Hamburg Township. We are limiting the event to 100 participants to run this course on June 8th and 9th, 2024. We don't expect nearly that many participants this first year, but can let you know actual numbers much closer to the event.



The map above shows the overall route through Hamburg Township along with where we are setting up aid stations within the parks (blue icons). Runners will enter Hamburg Township via the Lakeland trail around mile 48 and will leave the Township at some point on Hammel Road, around Mile 69. We have permits pending with the DNR for use of state lands within Brighton State Recreation area as well as on the Lakeland Trail. We also have calls into the Livingston County Road Commission regarding usage of Chamber's Road, Maltby road and Hammel Road as our connecting routes.

It should also be noted that at this point in the race, runners will be very spread out. The fastest runner may reach mile 48 as early as 6pm, 6/8 and the slowest runner may get there at 1am 6/9. We have an enforced cut-off at the mile 47 aid station that does not allow runners to

proceed after 12:30am. This means that the majority of runners will be passing through Hamburg during the evening and overnight hours. We expect the last runner to be through Mile 69 (border of Hamburg and Green Oak Township) by 7:00am on 6/9.



This map shows the stretch of the Lakeland Trail that falls within Hamburg Township. It adds up to about 1 mile total. Our 100 mile runners will take a LEFT onto Chambers road, but we also have a 50 mile event. The 50 mile runners will continue on the Lakeland trail for another tenth of a mile before turning RIGHT into Country Elementary School where they will host a 50 mile finish line. We are already in conversations with Country Elementary for use of their property and they are very open to working with us.

Final thoughts:

We understand that this event is quite odd. Ultramarathons have increased in popularity over the years and there has been a growing demand for a point-to-point, 100 race in Southeast Michigan (which does not yet exist). My primary job is a small animal veterinarian and putting on this race is definitely a passion project. I don't plan putting out more events but do want to make the Huron 100 a yearly event that benefits the community. I don't have any interest in profiting off of this event, which is why we created the race company as a non-profit. All proceeds will be donated to the Huron River Watershed Council to help protect this beautiful area.

The challenges of a point-to-point race are providing the numerous aid stations along the route as well as obtaining the numerous permits from parks, Townships, etc. We ask that when coming up with a permit fee for our event, that you take these factors in mind. We plan on being

a cupless event and to leave no trace as we move along the course. Given that the Hamburg Township section is a night, we expect there to be minimal impact on others within the community.

Thank you for reviewing our application and please let me know if you have any questions or concerns!

Dan Hughes
Huron 100 Race Director
810 - 206 - 9767