# Tennis Club Board Minutes

# 8/28/2018

**Board Members Present:** Tracy Scott, Diane Whitworth, Cheryl Diltz, Michael Diltz, Nancy Cassidy, Mike Tuft, Brian Dombrowski, Betty Olsen, Dolores Escobar

Others Present: Sherry Benz, Jim Murphy, Garry Gray, Phyllis Seeger, Gordon Knapp, Howie Blumstein

## **Chairperson's Welcome/Remarks**

Vice President Tracy Scott welcomed the group and called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. He called for approval of the Minutes of 7/24/2018.

**MSP** The Minutes of 7/24/2018 were approved as submitted.

**Appointment of Interim Secretary:** V.P. Tracy Scott called for the Tennis Club Board to appoint Dolores Escobar Interim Secretary to replace Dennis Vaillancourt. **By Acclamation/Voice Vote:** Dolores Escobar was appointed Interim Secretary.

## Pickleball/Tennis Club Joint Committee Report/ Introduction of Garry Gray, Pickleball Club President:

Phyllis Seeger, Chair of the PB/TC Joint Committee, related several problems that have arisen due to misunderstandings, misinformation, or lack of information among members of both clubs. Problematic areas included court conditions, scheduling, sign-up procedures, special events, etc. Of particular note were the on-line Pickleball sign up process and the PB drop-in periods. It was suggested these problems might be alleviated if: 1) on-line sign-ups are transferred to sign-up sheets in the shack; 2) the PB Club in consultation with the PB/TC Joint Committee establish an official drop-in time similar to that of the Tennis Club. Solely internal problems within the PB Club or TC, however, should be resolved by the respective club boards. The PB/TC Joint Committee also felt it extremely important to have up-dates on the status of PB Club's progress toward obtaining their own courts. The up-dates should be circulated to members of both clubs.

**Pickleball Status Report:** Garry Grant, PB Club President, began by expressing appreciation for the cooperation, support, and assistance of the Tennis Club. Important elements of the report are as follows: 1) There has been an extensive period of negotiation (3 years) to obtain approval from the Villages management for an adequate site for four PB courts. 2) Four Pickleball courts will be located within the "Village Green" area (to the left as one enters the Villages). A Pickleball designer has completed a design for four courts-- parking area, landscaping, sound-wall. The design would enhance the entrance area. It would be more than a stark set of courts, rather the Pickleball courts would be a "Legacy Lifestyle Amenity; "3) Aspects of the project involving S.J. City permits and studies are being pursued; 4) Construction costs are being analyzed; 5) The Villages Club Board has established a 9 member committee to create press releases regarding cost, accurate up-dates, and rationale for completing the Pickleball amenity; 6) While substantial pledges and donations already have been received, the PB Club has established a fund raising committee to coordinate future fundraising; 7)

With acknowledged support from The Evergreen Villages Foundation and Village management, the PB Club is confident that there will be sufficient funds to complete the project; 8) The Pickleball board hopes to have the residents vote on the project this calendar year; 9) The PB club is planning special events with other organizations to acquaint them with the game and garner support. Details regarding other ways individuals can support the project are forthcoming. (For specific facts and figures regarding the project contact Garry Gray, PC Board Chair.)

**Announcement:** Howie Blumstein announced that the nine member Villages Ad Hoc Committee mentioned in Garry's report will meet September 5<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 in Building A.

**Acknowledgement:** V.P. Scott expressed appreciation to the PB/TC Joint Committee for their work. The board urged members of both clubs to communicate issues, concerns, and requests to the committee for action to their respective boards.

# **Directors Reports:**

<u>Communications:</u> Cheryl Diltz will be out of town. For urgent communication contact George Beck.

<u>Court Manager</u>: Michael Diltz reported that there is a "rodent problem in the tennis shack. Members are urged to be cautious. Also, do not place items in cardboard boxes. Michael is trying to solve the problem with proper storage and extermination. He also expressed considerable concern regarding conditions on court 5 and 6. Black marks, stains, tape residue are problems, especially since the courts have recently been resurfaced. It was suggested that signs be posted outside gates listing rules for using courts, such as regulation tennis shoes.

<u>Members at Large</u>: Betty Olsen reported that she was having difficulty getting enough members for the over 70 USTA team. She may have to go outside the Villages to complete the team.

Membership: No report

# Scheduler : No report

<u>Social:</u> Nancy Cassidy reported that all is ready for the Championship Tournament. V.P. Scott complimented the committee for consistently providing delicious courtside refreshments.

<u>Tournaments</u>: V.P. Scott read an email from Gail Tuft. Problems and concerns were discussed. Possible changes and solutions were considered. No specific action was taken at this time but will be considered in the future. After 2 years as Tournament Director for the Tennis Club, Gail would like to see this position transferred to someone new next year.

**Old Business:** Cheryl Diltz reported that the changes to the By Laws are ready and will be presented at a future meeting. Changes will need to be submitted to the TC Board, the TC Membership and then to the Villages Club Board for approval.

**New Business:** In conjunction with the Treasurers' report, Diane Whitworth indicated that US Bank is undergoing an audit and requires a report from the TC, "Business Identification and Verification

Overview Form." Mike Tuft suggested Diane go to Villages Accounting for assistance. Diane circulated the Treasurers' Report:

Total Balance in Checking Account: \$11,922.71. (Ball Machine \$5,300; Funds Available \$6,662.71) 2018

Budgeted Expenses: \$5,705.00. Funds Available \$3,352.00

Scholarship Account: \$13,088.42

**Viewing Area Celebration:** Sherry Benz will research costs for the celebration to be held from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. for approximately 100 people. She will report back on her findings.

**Championship Tournament:** Dinner sign-ups are needed, as are women players. Betty Olsen offered to make calls to members to encourage participation.

**Pickleball Request:** Sherry Benz brought a request from the Pickleball Tournament Director to use all 6 courts for their Bocce/Pickleball event. Discussion followed regarding both the timing and procedure for submitting the request. There also was concern that increasing requests to use courts 1-4 will result in damage.

MSP The Tennis Club Board denied the request

**Master Event Calendar:** The TC Board reviewed the Master Calendar and approved the dates when facilities (clubhouse or multipurpose rooms) are needed in order to meet Activity Office dead-lines. Other dates can be adjusted.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.