

Chippewa Valley Pickleball Club Board  
Board Meeting Minutes  
August 17, 2022  
River Prairie Park, Altoona

Present: Penny Graham, Harry Gordee, Bev Hilton, Sandy Johnson, Mike Mai, Judy Mirr, Linda Nicastro, and Mike Peterson.

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 p.m. by President Judy Mirr.

The following items of business were discussed.

1. Secretary's report. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the July 22, 2022, meeting. Motion carried.
2. Treasurer's report. Mike M. reported that the Club has a treasury balance of \$38,684.28. A motion was made and seconded to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried. Mike also reported that the Club now has a raffle license, the cost of which was \$25. The license is good for one year. A 50/50 raffle is planned for the Play for Pink fundraiser. If an individual wins more than \$600, it needs to be reported to the state.
3. Open discussion from Club members. There was no open discussion from Club members. Members are encouraged to attend Board meetings to express issues/concerns they may have.
4. Reports:
  - Skills/drills/lessons.
    - ◆ Linda reported that skills/drills groups have been popular. From mid-July to mid-August, the Club has received \$200 from these sessions. Year to date the Club has received over \$1,200 from skills/drills sessions. Discussion was held regarding consistently charging a fee for drill sessions. Currently there aren't enough people to lead the sessions. Mike M. will see if anyone from the group he drills with is willing to lead drills. A fee of \$10 will be charged to individuals taking a drill session if conducted by a lead person. Charging for specific drill sessions (serves, third-shot drops, dinking, etc.) could be a viable fundraiser for the Club.

- ◆ Altoona Parks and Recreation will be offering beginning pickleball lessons September 15 and 22 at Fairway Park. Class size will be 10-12 people.
  - The Chippewa Falls library did not get back to Judy regarding lessons that were to be sponsored by the library.
  - Social Committee. The items that were to be used for the June tournament will be used at the Play for Pink fundraiser.
  - Organized Play. The round robins were very successful this summer.
  - Play for Pink fundraiser. The fundraiser will be held Tuesday, October 4, from 8 a.m. until 12 noon at McDonough Park. A motion was made and seconded to use \$400 from the Club's treasury for the fundraiser. Motion carried. Only Club members will be eligible to win raffle prizes, but players don't have to be a Club member to play.
  - Maintenance Committee. The box containing the AED will be housed in the bathroom closest to the courts at McDonough Park. The box will be equipped with a siren and a strobe. Electricity has been installed in the storage shed. The blower used to clean off the courts will be stored in the shed along with the ball machine. The ball machine needs to be shut off after the battery is fully charged. A timer could be used for this so that the charger shuts off after an hour of charging the battery. The battery charger for the blower shuts off after the battery is fully charged.
  - Website. It was suggested that second-year students from CVTC's IT program could assist with the Club's website development and maintenance.
  - First-aid kits are no longer in the yellow lost-and-found box. Judy will check with Steve Plaza from Eau Claire Parks and Recreation about getting the first aid kits replaced.
  - The lock box containing the keys for the court gates was replaced. The kiosk keys will be kept in the shed. Paddles that individuals forget at the courts will be put in the shed and not in the lost-and-found box.
  - Sandy reported that approximately 100 Club members have not received bag tags. A motion was made and seconded to purchase 250 bag tags. Motion carried. A fee of \$5 will be charged for replacing bag tags.
5. Court resurfacing.
- Discussion took place about having an individual manage the specifics regarding the resurfacing of the six original courts. The individual will serve as an advisor to the Board and will work with the companies interested in submitting a bid for the court resurfacing. The City of Eau Claire will accept the bids, not the Club.

- Tim Huebner from Pavement Consulting Services indicated he would honor the quote he gave the Club for the court resurfacing even if the work isn't done until 2023.
6. Fundraising for court resurfacing. The Club needs to know the cost of the court resurfacing before fundraising options are explored.
  7. Calendar items—looking ahead.
    - Bev reported that the Tuesday and Thursday evening round robins lead by a Club member will conclude the end of August. Players are encouraged to continue with organized play on their own. Decks of cards will be left in the lost-and-found box if needed in round robin play.
    - The annual meeting date is scheduled for Wednesday, October 26, at the Indoor Sports Center. It was suggested to have incentive prizes to encourage attendance.
    - Judy offered to explore the cost of glow-in-the-dark pickleball. Things to consider before moving forward with the fundraiser include equipment, staffing, and rental cost of a facility.
  8. Indoor play. Board members were not aware of any new locations for indoor play.
  9. Other discussion.
    - Judy will contact Mitch Johnson regarding the Club's website. Judy will share Mitch's email address with Board members so they can send website suggestions directly to Mitch.
    - Hands-only CPR will be held at McDonough Park on August 26. Thirty-seven people have signed up for the session to be taught by the Red Cross.

Submitted by,

Bev Hilton  
Secretary