

Chippewa Valley Pickleball Club Board
Board Meeting Minutes
November 17, 2022
YMCA Indoor Sports Center

Present: Harry Gordee, Bev Hilton, Sandy Johnson, Karen McDermott, Jeff Lorentz, Judy Mirr, Linda Nicastro (USAPA Ambassador), Mike Mai, and Stacy Sommers.

The meeting was called to order at 1:32 p.m. by President Judy Mirr.

The following items of business were discussed.

1. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the October 18, 2022, Board meeting. Motion carried.
2. Treasurer Mike Mai reported that the Club has funds totaling \$64,951.89. This includes donations received for the repair/resurfacing of the courts at McDonough Park in the amount of \$25,060. A motion was made and seconded to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried.
3. Concerns. Linda reported a concern from a Club member regarding the paddle line that is used when the courts are full and players are waiting. She explained to the individual that we're doing the best we can to provide equitable playing time. Afternoon play is catching on which reduces the load of morning play. Sandy has heard negative comments about the need for players to take down nets. Players need to understand that this is a responsibility of all players and is something that helps keep costs down at the sports center. Nets need to be taken down when no one is playing.
4. Committee reports. Judy listed the various Club committees. Currently Board members chair the committees. The necessity of that was discussed. Jeff suggested that Board members serve as a liaison on a committee but don't necessarily need to be the chairperson.

Maintenance Committee report. In the future, the nets on the courts at McDonough Park need to be stored in the on-site storage shed and not in Eau Claire City facilities. Taking down the nets in 2023 will be weather based. Someone from the City will check over the AED and return it to McDonough Park

in the spring. The Club is appreciative of the donation of materials and labor from Trulock and Security regarding the locks at McDonough Park.

5. Fundraiser update. It was reported that the fundraiser for the court repair/resurfacing at McDonough Park has been very successful. The mailer sent to Club members was effective as was the presentation Greg made at the annual meeting. Greg made a video which is on Facebook, and the link to it will be emailed to Club members. Fundraising efforts will continue through November after which a report will be sent to members. Discussion took place regarding how to recognize donors. This will be done at the conclusion of the fundraising campaign.
6. Membership. Club members can pay their dues by cash or check and hopefully PayPal and Venmo will be two other options as well. It was suggested that a scannable QR code be added to the membership form which would take people to a site where they can access the membership form.
7. When courts are busy, paddle lines have been used. After a paddle line of 5 paddle stacks has been started, games are to be played to nine and win by one point. Players need to be ready to get on the court when their paddles are first in line. It is helpful to have someone by the court entrance to announce when a court is available so players can get on the court in a timely fashion.
8. Bev will order 200 Franklin X40 balls. The balls will be available on Tuesday, December 14, from 8 a.m. until 12 noon and again that evening beginning at 7 p.m. Any remaining balls will be available on Wednesday, December 15, at 8 a.m. The cost of the balls is a \$5 donation for two balls. A 50/50 raffle will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings with the drawing at 11 a.m.
9. The results of the election of officers are as follows: Greg Helgeson, president; Stacy Sommers, vice president; Mike Mai, treasurer; and Bev Hilton, secretary. Sandy explained that the membership chair needs to be a Club member. She also described the duties of that position. Karen McDermott was elected membership chairperson. A one-year term is open as a result of Tom Guelzow II's resignation. Sandy was elected to fulfill this one-year term. She will co-administer the Club's Facebook page. Linda will continue to be the Club's appointed USA Pickleball Association's ambassador.
10. Greg was thanked for his efforts regarding the bid process for the McDonough Park project. Bids are due to the City of Eau Claire on November 29.

11. The next Board meeting is Wednesday, December 14, at 12 noon at the YMCA Indoor Sports Center.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

Submitted by,

Bev Hilton
Secretary