

MINUTES OF THE RACQUET SPORTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

July 14, 2021

ATTENDEES:

Rhett Parsons
Araceli Popen
Patty Felix
Patsy Workman

Debbie Donahue
Gail
Karen Kaplan
Tim McMullen

John Viola
Kathy Stone
Bob O'Malley
Terry Underkoffler

Call To Order

The meeting was called to order by Rhett Parsons, Committee Chair.

Minutes

Minutes of the 6/9/21 meeting were sent out to committee members and approved in June and then were posted on the Racquet Sports page of oceanpines.org as well.

Review of the Discussion of Completed, Current and Planned Projects

Unfinished Business

- | I. 1. Update on issues from last meeting | <u>Updates</u> |
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| a) Banner for Manklin Road - Debbie | 2 will be installed on Manklin Creek & RT. 589 |
| b) Repainting of Pickle courts kitchen lines | Will be completed by July 24th |
| c) Brochure distribution | Have been distributed to WOC hotels and real estate offices |
| d) Water /Hydration touchless dispensers | Not yet delivered |
| e) wifi | Comcast delay |
| f) Snacks/ice cream/Gatorade | Available @ Pro Shop |
| g) SWOT | Info submitted to Strategic Committee |
| h) Parking/fencing | John Viola/Debbie D. state that they are looking at reconfiguring lots near sheds & the Community Garden, as well as adding diagonal parking along both sides of playground, & possibly along Manklin Creek Rd to maximize the number of available parking spaces, & addition of safety fencing where appropriate. |

II. Project update – Rhett

- a) Update on Vista Progress/New Pickleball Courts Now waiting for state approval/permits. John Viola also acknowledge the cost is considerable higher than expected but he has several idea on how to best address this.

III. Events Report, Events Schedule (attachment)

Center Events/Pickle ball

- a) Pickle- Bob: **Shout out to Cathy and Darryl for organizing the amazing and successful pickle tournament! Full house. Success! Everything went well!**
- b) Tennis-Rhett
 - I) “Davis Cup” and “Breakfast at Wimbledon” events were well attended.
 - II) Nike Camp cancelled due to low registration
- c) Platform & Timeless-Karen
 - I) Focus on increasing membership. On track with free lessons, and planning possible kids SPEC Tennis program in the Fall and spring Timeless and platform tennis promotions..

IV. Budget update – Rhett

When attendants are not present (before or after hours) Pickleball guest are very good about paying as are most platform guest however Tennis players are not as consistent. Please encourage all your members to pay guest fees when they are playing with nonmembers.

V. New business

- a) Promotion of an all -sports social where each sport hosts the other for fun try at the others’ sport to promote good will..

VI. Discussion

- a) "All-sports social"- Bob stated that in previous outreaches that pickle players did not have an interest in playing another sport, and not sure about now.
- b) Water jugs now being provided to pickle and tennis. Patsy mentioned that platform is not getting one. Tim said that there will be one starting tomorrow.
- c) John asked for options should the permits for new pickle courts be denied. The possibility of converting tennis court 6 (which has drainage issues), to a tennis hard court, and then converting tennis court 10 to pickle courts was brought up. This is just one idea, but the important message is for us to be prepared to discuss alternative plans if the new courts are not able to be built. John asked if the RCAC would be comfortable making a formal recommendation if that is needed. Rhett said he did not want to answer that without more discussion among the group. Rhett said we would tackle that if the need arises.

V. Wrap up / Action Items

- a) Continuation of discussion about tennis court conversions to maximize usage by pickle and tennis.
- b) Update on parking configurations.