

Minutes of the Racquet Sports Advisory Committee

July 13, 2023

Meeting was called to order at 4PM.

Members of the committee attending were Susan Morris, Ron Kurtz, Kathy Stone, Patty Felix, Gail Keiling, Cel Popen, Karen Kaplan, Cathy Noble, Angela Hunter.

Call to Order: Chair Susan Morris called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

Approval of Minutes of the June 8th 2023 meeting, Cathy Noble moved to accept the minutes, Kathy Stone 2nd and all approved.

A motion to approve the original meeting minutes from May 11, 2023 was made and seconded.

Old Business:

Platform Court 6- the company that will be fixing platform court 6 plans to start the construction at the end of August.

Per Collette John Viola has given several contractors the conceptual drawings for the proposed new Racquet Center building.

A motion was made for the maintenance of the Har-Tru (HT) courts to be moved from Public Works (PW) to Tim Johnson. PW has not been doing an adequate job maintaining the HT Courts. Comments from the members are that they dry and grass is coming up on courts 6-8. Tim has expertise in maintenance of HT Courts. Tim works closely with a company that will offer recommendation on how to improve the HT Courts surface. We will go through Collette to make this happen. A motion was made to move the maintenance of the HT Courts from PW to Tim Johnson. The motion was seconded.

Cracks on Pickleball hard courts :

- Courts 1 through 6 have cracks and are under warrantee.
- Possibly a surface issue

- ATC is the company that will be contacted to fix and resurface the hard courts.
- A charging document will be prepared

Platform Court 6 has been fixed.

- Other comments are that other platform courts have dips and are uneven.

Charging Document for:

- Pickleball cracks
- Emergency PA system
- Lightening warning system

Resolution C14 revisions are going to be going to the BOD on July 14th.

- Per Collette there will be a second reading for consideration.
- She has received no feedback from any of the directors that they are going to object.

Combo memberships:

- Combo memberships for a 2 or 3 racquet sports is being recommended
- A sample of the discounts was presented (20% discount)
- This decision would need to go to the budget committee
- Collette recommended a Charging Document (CD) be submitted.
- Cel volunteered to create the charging document.
 - Included in the CD, a statement that the discounts are based on existing 2023 member rates and there is no proposal to increase rates. And that the committee is proposing a 20% discount in 2 sport membership.
- A motion was made by Kathy Stone to move forward with Cel's multi sport combo discount proposal, Karen Kaplin seconded the motion, all approved.

New Business:

Tennis Court 6 issues

- o Pickleball seating is very close in proximity to Tennis Court 6.
- o Tennis balls roll out of the opening in the fencing around court 6.
- o Susan suggested to Tim that a gate be installed to fill the gap in the fencing on court 6.

Landscaping:

- o Deb Downing (OPTC employee) and Marcy Prezioso (tennis member) in the beginning of the season purchases flowers to plant in the ground in front of the club house
- o It was suggested that we get a grand from the Ocean Pines Garden Club.
- o Sue will contact Ann Schokley

Tennis racquets can now be restrung at the OPRC pro shop.

Daily Golf email, should the OPRC be doing the same?

- o We should use the master Racquet sports member list
- o Northstar has a calendar could possibly be used?

Issue: Pickleballers bypassing the clubhouse to avoid payment

- o Walking around the back and through the platform courts and not paying to play
- o Suggestion to put a gate between Platform courts 2 and 4 to prevent this from happening.

Susan Morris resigned as chair.

- o Karen Kaplan and Cathy Noble will consider taking over the position as Chair.

Collett will no longer be the RSAC liaison.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela Hunter