

# Hot Springs Village Pickleball Club Board Meeting

May 11, 2017

**Present:** Ian Tompkins, President; Randy Share, Vice-President; Marie Mason, Secretary; Calvin Doody, Treasurer, Nancy Harlow & Greg Allen, At-Large; Jim McPherson, Past President.

**Minutes of Previous Meetings:** Ian made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 3, 2017 as submitted and the motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Calvin Dooley stated that the March 31, 2017 Treasurer's Report had been posted on the website. Since that time we have had member dues of \$80.00, sponsorship income of \$69.30 and expenses of \$502.90 for pickleballs, sign-up genius, a voice recorder and bulletin boards leaving a current balance of \$5,180.87. Our current membership in the Pickleball Club is 203. The POA stated that 248 people have paid the POA fee for pickleball.

## NEW BUSINESS

### Renewal of Sign-up Genius

Bill Booth's credit card was charged for our sign-up genius renewal. A check was mailed to Bill for reimbursement. Dan Botkin is making arrangements for his credit card to be used for this annual renewal in the future. The board agreed that it is beneficial to use this means of sign-up for pickleball events and we should continue with the renewal. One advantage is that the members get to see who has signed up to participate plus this is more convenient for the person coordinating the event.

### Budget

Calvin has created income/expense categories with plans to set-up a budget for the Pickleball Club in the future.

### Expenditure Approval Process

For minor expenditures under \$50, the Treasurer and one other board member should approve.

For \$50-\$100 expenditures, The Treasurer and the President or Vice-President should approve.

For \$100 or more expenditures, prior approval from the Treasurer and the majority of board members responding by e-mail. Jim made a motion to approve the proposed expenditure process and the motion carried.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### Membership Form

The board agreed that the Pickleball Club Membership Form should be updated with the correct information for mailing membership fee to the Treasurer and that a category should be added for Social Membership. Calvin asked permission to add an address line and the board member's agreed. Calvin is to update the form and submit it to Dan Botkin for the website. New copies will be taken to the Village Church of Christ for their bulletin board near the pickleball courts.

### Publicity

Sandy McPhearson has been organizing the pickleball publicity for several years. She will be going out of town for several months this summer so Marie Mason agreed to become the Publicity Chair/Historian, hopefully with assistance from Joyce Betts. Sandy is taking care of publicity for the Open House. Marie will begin handling publicity effective June 2017 and will set-up a meeting with Sandy and Joyce to share information and plan future publicity.

### **Open House**

Greg Allen reported that the Open House is set-up and planned for Saturday, May 27, from 10-2. An organizational meeting was held resulting in plenty of volunteers for this event. Twilla was a great help in getting the names and times recorded on the schedule. An e-blast will go out telling about the event and there will be publicity in The Voice.

### **New Pickleball Complex**

Ian reported that Staci of the POA Recreation Committee told him that the new pickleball complex has been approved and will be completed by the end of the year. They are, however, looking for the pickleball members to come up with some up-front money in support of the new complex. The pickleball club has set-up an organizational and planning committee consisting of Ian Tompkins, Greg Allen, and Jim McPhearson who will be meeting with the Recreation Committee every Monday for the next 4 weeks starting May 15<sup>th</sup> to plan out what the new complex should consist of and then the POA will proceed with obtaining bids for the project.

### **Fundraising**

Nancy Harlow stated that since our last meeting, a Fundraising Committee was formed consisting of Charlie John, Jim Bailey, Peggy Farnsworth and herself. Charlie John is a CPA and is researching the 501c3 tax deductible status for our club. The tennis association has that status and the board suggested that Charlie contact their Treasurer, Tom Noble, to get more information about what paperwork is required to obtain that and what the cost would be so we can determine if we would want to proceed.

Nancy presented the board a draft letter to go to the pickleball membership regarding the new Pickleball complex and the need to raise some up-front money. She also presented a Fundraising Recommendation consisting of 3 phases, each of which was discussed with the board. The board made some minor changes to the letter but asked that we hold off sending anything out until after the Pickleball Committee meets with the Recreation Committee on Monday, May 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Greg Allen, along with Tony Ross, will continue to attend the **Newcomers Meetings** and hand out information about pickleball to new property owners.

**Vamos A Fiesta** was held on Friday, May 5, and was well attended. We had a beautiful evening for playing pickleball and afterwards enjoyed Tacos and Appetizers in the clubhouse. Thanks Christi for organizing this event and for Linda Prather helping Christi prepare the food. Next event is Pepperoni Pickleball in June.

**Next board meeting date is June 8 at 4:00 p.m.**

**Addendum:** Ian Tompkins has announced that due to health concerns requiring back surgery, he is stepping down as President. Randy Share will assume the position of President. As approved by the Board, Greg Allen will move into the position of Vice-President, and Ian will take the At-Large position vacated by Greg.