

Virginia Indoor Tennis and Pickleball Club Commission Meeting

January 11, 2016

Approved February 8, 2016

Commission Members Present: Matt Hennen, Julie Johnson, Kristin Johnson, Bob Prittinen, Tom Prosen, Niece Strand

Other: John Bachman

Absent: None

Opening Report: Bob Prittinen opened the meeting at the Miner's Memorial Building South Room at 6:00 PM.

OLD BUSINESS:

Minutes: The December 14, 2015 meeting minutes were approved.

Financial Report: Commission members discussed the preliminary numbers for the Club's 2015 budget. Labor was budgeted at \$40,000 and came in at \$39,685. Revenue (including \$6,000 expected payment from Eveleth/Gilbert*) was \$51,672 and Expenditures were \$51,600. Final 2015 budget information will to be provided at the next monthly meeting.

*Discussion was held regarding the status of this non-payment and it was thought Eveleth/Gilbert had not received a bill or been billed. This has been an issue in the past. This was to be followed up on by John Bachman and Tom Prosen. There was no expectation that non-payment would be an issue.

The 2016 Budget is set to increase by \$5,000 to cover Labor costs associated with the increase in the minimum wage. Revenue is projected at \$50,000.

2016 Meeting Schedule: Commission members addressed the time for the monthly meetings. Meetings shall commence at 5:30 p.m. This time shall be reflected in the postings at the Club.

New Commission Member: Commission members discussed potential candidates to fill the vacant positions on the commission. Tom Butorac, Tim Fink, and other possibilities from active members of the Club were discussed. Brent Robinson was removed from the list of potential candidates. It was determined this matter would be discussed at the next meeting and a decision made concerning this matter.

Holiday Tennis Clinic: The Holiday Tennis Clinic was held over the winter holiday break. Jim Prittinen and Matt Hennen reported the clinic went well with around 30 children attending. The cost to the Club was \$1,500 and a profit of a few hundred dollars was made

from fees collected from the participants. Jim Prittinen discussed holding another clinic in February and a Junior Tournament in March.

Ball Machine: Jim Prittinen provided an update on the new machine the Club is purchasing. A Playmate machine has been chosen at a cost of around \$4,000. It was expected the machine would be delivered within a month.

Discussion was had regarding the Club's two older ball machines, neither of which is operational. Tom Prosen expressed interest in evaluating whether the machines could be repaired.

Clarification was provided by John Bachman that the Club's ball machines would be used for both indoor and outdoor tennis use.

Tennis Lessons: Jim Prittinen reported on the status of tennis lessons. They have begun and are running smoothly. The tennis lesson schedule is currently on the Club's website. It was suggested that a printout of the schedule be provided at the Club's front desk.

Scholarship: Discussion was held regarding the best way to utilize the scholarship monies available to the Club to help those in need that are interested in playing tennis. The amount in the scholarship fund is around \$5,000. Ideas considered included using funds for membership fees and lessons with the caveat that such funds could not be used by children in 7th through 12th grade who played in the high school league as this would be a violation of state rules. Also discussed was using the funds for "Community Tennis Days." Further discussion on this topic is planned for future meetings.

NEW BUSINESS:

7A Contract Renewal: The Club currently has a contract with Minnesota State High School League Region 7A for use of the Club for high school tennis events. This contract is set to expire and efforts need to be made to see it is renewed. Julian Bertogliat is the contact person for this matter and Jim will be contacting him to discuss. Further discussion was held regarding the Club's status as a back up facility for the Region 7AA.

John Bachman Attendance at Meetings/Financial Updates: John Bachman intends to participate in commission meetings quarterly and be available to provide financial information as needed. Monthly reports will be made to the commission by Treasurer Kristin Johnson.

Advertising: Kristin Johnson raised a concern regarding agreements that were made with local businesses that supported the Club's website in exchange for advertising. These businesses are listed on the webpage, but have not been provided with advertising within the Club as promised. John Bachman stated he would look into having signs made with the businesses information on them to be hung in the Club.

Sunday Pickleball: Matt Hennen requested guidance from the commission regarding the running of Sunday Open Pickleball. It was determined this was a matter for Club management to deal with and made decisions regarding.

Commissioner Officer Resignation and Election: Bob Prittinen resigned as Chairman of the commission and commission accepted his resignation by motion. Motion was accepted to elect Julie Johnson as Chairman. Motion was accepted to elect Tom Prosen as Vice-Chairman. Motion was accepted to elect Kristin Johnson as Treasurer. Motion was accepted to elect Niece Strand as Secretary.

Remaining Agenda Items: Agenda items regarding Club and Employee Membership policies were moved to be discussed the February 8, 2016 meeting. Jim Prittinen will be preparing a proposal for the commission on these matters and present at the meeting.

Closing: The next Virginia Indoor Tennis and Pickleball Club meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 8, at 5:30 PM in the Miner's Memorial Building South Room. The meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Niece M. Strand

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