

## **WSPC MINUTES FOR MEETING**

**Date of Meeting:** July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017

**Location:** Mesa County Public Library

**Call to Order Time:** 5:32 p.m.

**Minutes By:** Tracy Dvorak

### **Members Present:**

Mike Cox, Brenda Furnace, Tracy Dvorak, Bill Schapley, George Gerson, Bruce Gregg, Lorie Gregor, Jan Kerr, Nancy Eaton, Nancy Burdette, Aiaga Roffey

### **Members Absent:**

Linda Griffith, Jenn Teta, Madonna Hayes

### **Other Attendees:**

N/A

### **Minutes of Last Meeting (June 14th):**

No corrections or additions. Motion to approve minutes of last meeting was made by Nancy B., and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nancy E.

Motion passed.

### **Agenda Items:**

#### **President/Brenda:**

- Jared Goebel, son of WSPC members Sue and Dean Goebel, died unexpectedly Sunday, July 10. Our thoughts and prayers are with them at this time. A card was passed around for board members to sign. Also, Brenda took up a collection of money to send flowers to the July 15 funeral.

Discussion was had to determine a policy going forward with regards to sending flowers or memorial contributions on behalf of WSPC for members who are either sick or have passed away. Such funds would come out of the club treasury as opposed to a voluntary collection. The board agreed to visit the issue in the future and to add it to the “Next Steps” item list.

- Lock Box for LP West Courts: Brenda continues to pursue this. The box is still not in stock at Murdoch’s.

- **Move-Up Rule:** Regardless of any comments of disagreement we have received, the board has decided as a club that we are going to remain in compliance and respect the City's Move-Up Rule. It must be noted that this is the City of Grand Junction Parks & Rec's rule, NOT a WSPC rule. Our WSPC attorney, Marc Summers, was consulted on this matter.
- **Member-At-Large position filled:** Welcome, Madonna Hayes, to the board. She will be representing the Pineridge Courts and players. Madonna was not present at the board meeting but reported to Brenda that she would like Parks and Rec to get new locks for the nets. The existing ones are rusty and rickety.
- **Linda G. Report in Absentia:** In order to qualify for some grants in the future, club members need to track their volunteer hours or charity performed in the community on behalf of WSPC.
- **Kudos:** The board recognized Eileen Egloff for the great job on her first club newsletter since becoming the new editor. Thank you very much, Eileen.
- **WSPC Logo Gear:** Brenda reported that we received \$60 from Chris Kopanos of Nexgen Promo Products for a portion of the sales proceeds of WSPC gear. In the future, any purchases we make, the club will receive 10% of proceeds. Visit the club website which links to our online store.
- **Sweet 16 event Sept. 16:** Reminder to all that we will be sending out registration very soon for the event. There was talk of making it a two day event if we have a big response.

**Lorie Gregor, City of GJ:**

- There is a commercial property for sale on Horizon Court that we may have interest in. Formerly a private club, it has 8 tennis courts, clubhouse, pool, etc. It's has been vacant for years. It is being listed by Bray & Co. Lorie did not know the price.
- **MOU update:** Lorie advised that the City of Grand Junction will NOT

be able to write tax-exempt letters for donations received on behalf of WSPC.

Lorie made two suggestions: 1.) Attain 501c3 status for WSPC; 2.) Partner with either the Western Colorado Community Foundation or Western Colorado Congress and see if they will act as fiscal agents for donations our club may receive.

Brenda said she would reach out to WCC to see if they would partner with us as a fiscal agent.

- Pineridge Courts update: The construction bids are out and site visits will happen over the next two weeks for the Pineridge courts resurfacing project. Lorie is hoping to have it done before senior games.
- Courts Need Cleaning: Board members mentioned to Lorie that the Lincoln Park courts need to be hosed down. There is a lot of grit accumulating and requires more than using a leaf blower.
- Sweet 16/Round Robin: Lorie stated that we may only rent the LP west courts for the Sweet 16. The city must keep the east courts open for public use. An exception will be made for tournaments, at which time we can rent both LP courts.
- LP Bench Shades: Aiaga brought a catalog from Colorado-based company Shade Systems. Each bench/shade combo runs in the \$3,700 price range, not including installation. WSPC member Lee Lindauer, an engineer, might be able to arrange free installation for the club. Install contractors, however, would need to be approved and credentialed by the City. The club has a goal to install bench/shade on all four benches of the LP east courts. This will be a fundraising project for the club. An idea was presented to see if we could get bench “sponsors” to offset costs.  
Next Step: Aiaga is going to set up a site walk-through and meeting to include Ron Felt, from Parks and Rec; a representative from the Shade Systems company; and Lee Lindauer. The goal would be to discuss shade options and engineering aspects.

### **Officer Reports:**

#### **Treasurer/Bill:**

Bill presented the club’s financial reports and club budget for 2017-

18. Documents were also emailed to board members prior to the July 12 meeting.

Both the financial report and club budget were unanimously approved by the board. Motion made by George Gerson, seconded by Bruce Gregg.

Also, Bill reported that he received the official 501c7 exemption for the club.

### **Outreach/Bruce:**

- **Road Clean-Up Adoption:** Bruce received a contract from the City of GJ to adopt 24 Road from Canyon View Park to Patterson Road. The contract states that we agree to clean up both sides of the road 4 times per year. Volunteers must sign a waiver to participate. Bruce is planning our 1<sup>st</sup> clean up for late in the summer.

Once we sign the contract, the city will order a sign saying that the road by WSPC. We do not have a date or location set for when the sign will be erected. The city will pay for the sign as well as provide vests, trash bags, etc. Only cost the club might incur are snacks and drinks, if provided.

A Motion was made by George Gerson and seconded by Bill Schapley for Bruce, as representative to our club, to sign a contract with the city for our Adopt-A-Road project. The motion unanimously passed.

- **Intro Family Pickleball:** The date is set for Sept. 17, 2-4 p.m. at the LP west courts. The event will be published in the GJ Parks & Rec Activity Guide. This is a city-sponsored event, so they will cover insurance and liability. Our club will provide the volunteers to teach. There will be a charge to participants; the club will not receive funds. This is a charity project for the club.

- **Town vs. Town Social Outreach:** Bruce is still working on this. The idea is to invite pickleball players from a particular city (i.e. Glenwood, Vail, etc) to come here on a certain date for a social event and pickleball. This would not be a tournament just friendly competition and play between towns.

### **Membership & Communications/George:**

- **Member Census:** Report was emailed prior to meeting. There are 216 total members as of this report – 69 new ones, 147 renewals. George did an informal survey as to 37 members from last year didn't

renew: 5 have health issues, 6 no longer play, 2 signed up free Tao lessons, 1 moved out of town; and the rest we don't know.

- Ball Sales and T-Shirts: We have sold 359 pickleballs for a total of \$718. We have received \$100 in donations for 10 WSPC shirts.

### **Tournament Director/Jenn:**

Jenn was absent but emailed a report prior to the meeting. Brenda read her report to the board.

- New At-Large Board Member: Madonna Hayes accepted the position.
- 2017 Rules Write-Up Sweet 16: Jenn wrote up the rules regarding our "Sweet 16" Round Robin events. No changes to what we have previously done. It will be posted on the website. A Motion was made to accept the Sweet 16 rules and policy by George Gerson, seconded by Nancy E., and passed unanimously.

### **Website/Tracy:**

- Business Sponsors: We have a total of 5 so far – Guido Schulte Real Estate; Nexgen Promotional Products, Chris McGlade from Edward Jones, Mozaic Technology (website platform provider) and a new one – Rocky Mountain Health Plans. George advised that Paddletek will also be joining soon.
- Sponsor Spotlight Update: Tracy reported that she has received Q&As back from 4 of the sponsors and will be putting together the Sponsor Spotlight for each and posting it to the website. We are waiting for RMHP to send payment before sending out the spotlight Q&A. Tracy contacted RMHP and they will be cutting a check in the next couple of weeks.

### **Social/Jan:**

- Aug. 5 Social: Just a reminder this event is happening at Jana Donohue's home. She had a pickleball court installed and hopes the cement will be cured by then so we can play. Also, there will be a silent auction at this event to raise money for club projects.

### **Fundraising/Aiaga:**

- Silent Auction at Jana's House: An email went out to club members

July 13 asking for donations for the silent auction to be held at the Aug. 5 social.

- Fundraising Idea: Aiaga talked about holding a club “yard” sale event as a fun way to raise money. Members can donate unwanted stuff to sell. More information TBA.

**Next Steps Items:**

Large Storage cabinet/unit for each court locations-revisit in spring or summer 2017

Nets for Pineridge (outdoor) and the Barn (indoor)

Tarps for all Barn windows-purchase Fall 2017

Review Club Goals

WSPC Sweet 16 Tourneys plan for execution of tournament

Nexgen “online” purchases - follow-up

Pineridge Court configuration & resurfacing-updates on progress

Storage/Lock Box for west LP courts with first aid kit availability

Policy on flowers and memorial contributions for members

Create a log for recording WSPC community time contributions for possible future grant use

**Date for August Meeting:** Wednesday, Aug. 30, 2017, at 5 p.m.

Location TBA.

**Adjournment Time:** 6:53 p.m.