

**CAPE FEAR PICKLEBALL CLUB  
BOARD MEETING**

**January 13, 2021**

**Board Members Present:** Kevin Chandler-President, Jeanne Login-Vice President, Brent Young-Treasurer, Ray Frieberg- Director of Communications, Lisa Cunningham-Secretary, Ken Huff Co-Director of Competition (left meeting early), Jackie Niedermayer-Director of Membership, Suann More-Director of Social Events.

**Board Members absent:** Joe Reina-Co-Director of Training, Patty Hochwalt-Co-Director of Training.

**Non-Board Members present:** Henry More

Attendance is sufficient for a quorum. The meeting was called to order at 2:04pm. Kevin made a motion to approve the minutes from December meeting. Brent Young seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously.

**OFFICERS REPORTS:**

President - Kevin Chandler

Reported on the new equipment placed at Greenfield Lake last month (squeegee & roller). When Kevin checked on the equipment it was determined the squeegee at Greenfield Lake is no longer there. The squeegee will not be replaced at this time.

Vice President - Jeanne Login

No report.

Treasurer – Brent Young

As of December 31,2020, the club had a bank and PayPal balance of \$7933.23.

Reimbursement checks were issued to Kevin Chandler in the amount of \$233.80 for the purchase of balls, \$487.88 for the purchase of 2 nets and to Susan Hickman in the amount of \$10 for the cash overpayment of 2021 dues. Expenses incurred since November 1, 2020 were \$837.95 for equipment and \$96.25 for PayPal fees.

Secretary - Lisa Cunningham

No report.

Director of Membership - Jacke Niedermayer

Cape Fear Pickleball Club currently has 381 members on the roster, of those, 191 are current (paid), and 190 are past due. There have been 24 new members, and 50 renewals since the last meeting on December 9, 2020. An email will be sent to those 190 past due members on 1/15/21, giving them a little over two weeks to renew their 2021 membership. All members not paid by 1/31/21 will be removed from our current roster.

Director of Communications - Ray Freiberg

The Board meeting schedule was updated on the CFPC website and the Zoom link to the website for 1/13/2021 Board meeting. Discussed adding “friends” to the CFPC Facebook. Often people do not answer the questions necessary to join the CFPC Facebook page. It was decided that people wanting to join the CFPC Facebook page should answer the questions before they are added.

Co Directors of Training - Patty Hochwalt/Joe Reina

No report, both absent from meeting.

Director of Competition-Ken Huff

No report, absent from meeting.

Director of Social Events – Suann More

No report. In February we could start talking about having an outdoor event in March at Northern Regional Park.

Permanent Public Pickleball Courts Committee-Henry More

The committee put together a white paper to outline the status of the courts in the area. Henry will share the white paper with the Board. In addition to the white paper, Ron Woodruff wrote a letter asking for more support from the city and the county with the focus being adding additional courts at Robert Strange Park. It was noted that Robert Strange pickleball courts are crowded and the tennis courts are not used. and that Also noted was that there are 19 permanent pickleball courts in Brunswick County and only 6 permanent courts in New Hanover County.

The letter composed by the committee was sent to Mayor Saffo, City Manager Sterling Cheatham, Amy Beatty, Community Services Director and Superintendent of Parks and Recreation for the City of Wilmington, the city council and county commissioners were copied. At this time the letter is now in the hands of the highest level of the local city and county government officials.

Tara Duckworth, New Hanover County Parks and Gardens Director, responded that the courts at Arrowhead are a priority. The Arrowhead Courts will be converted into 6 pickleball courts-downside is the remote location/no lights and the facility sits in a residential area. Amy Beatty, responded that a consultant is coming in the spring to look this request over. Deb Hayes, New Hanover Board of Commissioners did respond with some questions.

Henry stated there are limited next steps. The committee and Kevin discussed taking the information to Star News and WECT for media involvement. Kevin and Henry will move forward with media involvement.

### **Old Business**

An email was sent out to members asking for any updates on places and times to play for the website. Ray reported there has been no response to that email from any members. At this time there are no new places or times to play to add to the website.

### **New Business**

#### Ball Replacement

Kevin suggested having ball replacement process for the 4 outdoor venues. Currently ball replacement is sporadic. The fiscal year starts November 1<sup>st</sup> and ends on October 31<sup>st</sup> and the club has spent \$837.95 on equipment so far this year and there is money available in this years budget for balls.

The Board decided a single ball type (ONIX) will be provided to the outdoor venues and a replacement schedule will be based on location (amount of use the courts get), Robert Strange and Greenfield Lake being the most populated courts. Kevin will set up schedule for replacement, and Ken Huff, Director of Competition would be responsible for replacing the balls.

#### Keys for Equipment Storage Box

Currently Kevin makes arrangements for members who would like keys to equipment storage box. Jeanne Login will take over key distribution and Ray will add to website to contact Jeanne Login. Jeanne will keep track of who has keys, to confirm people who have the keys actually renew their memberships and the key price should be raised to \$5 to cover the cost of key copying.

Next meeting Wednesday, February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2pm. Via Zoom.

Meeting adjourned at 3:01pm