# **One More Game Pickleball Club Minutes**

# October 8, 2019

**PRESENT:** Bob Biarkis, Mary Borchers, Barb Driesner, Horst Driesner, Jim Harriss, Steve Horrell, Tom Hewlett, Suelaine Matthews, Ray Martin, Lisa McDonald, Jeanine Seymore

### PLUMMER PARK/FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE – Bob, Tom, Betty, Matt

- Although Betty was not present, she submitted the following written update:
  - The committee will send out the monthly Plummer Park update, fundraising update and request for additional pledges sometime next week.
  - A request for donations was posted on the One More Game Pickleball Club Facebook page on September 22<sup>nd</sup>.
  - To date, the City has received \$34,750 in actual contributions for the Plummer Park pickleball courts' lighting and shade projects.
    - \$14,250 from OMG Club members
    - \$20,500 from businesses/organizations
  - Of our 141 OMG Club members, 56 members have pledged to contribute. Of those, 40 members have actually submitted their contribution payment to the City of Edwardsville.
  - The committee decided not to pursue the OMG Tips Booklet as a fundraiser due to the complexity of Internet copyright laws.
- Tom reported that the total cost for the shade structures is \$34, 575. The money already collected will be used, leaving only \$175 for the lights.
- The current bid for lights is \$150,000. Dale has been talking to JF Electric regarding a cheaper cost. He will meet with the city next week to discuss.
- Tom shared the application he submitted for \$5,000 grant from the Edwardsville Foundation.
- Tom said the courts will be coated soon.
- Bob reported that he and Dale met with Alan Ortbal, who will conduct the Trivia Night. Alan has conducted these in
  the past and will guide the club regarding all that is involved. The committee will work on finding a location and
  firming up the date. It probably will be held March or April 2020.
- Glow Bingo is also being investigated as a fundraiser. The Club would need to pay the company that conducts these
  events \$3000. Concerns regarding profit were expressed. A venue that is State approved for bingo will need to be
  located.
- Bob said that Perry Hendrickson volunteered his band for an evening fundraiser. The Wildey Theater will probably be used for this event.
- Bob and Matt will meet with the city regarding Banners for businesses who may want to advertise on the fences at Plummer Park.

## DUES/SPENDING - Suelaine, Mary, Dale

- Jim will present a \$100 check to the American Legion to thank them for the use of their storage shed for our nets and balls.
- Suelaine reported that the current balance is \$3,072.25. Expenditures this month were for website renewal fees (\$177.05) and slaw/plates for picnic (\$27.75). One new member paid the \$25 membership fee.

### PLAYER DEVELOPMENT – Bob, Dale, Betty

- Ray reported that the Mentorship Program is continuing, and the mentees seem to be very appreciative.
- Tom said another IPTPA evaluation will probably be held in a few months.
- Bob said the Intermediate lessons are ongoing.
- Betty has created the drill guide with 13 drills and has sent it to Bob for his review before proceeding further. Betty also purchased a set of great drills online and is currently reviewing them.

### MARKETING - Barb, Ray, Betty, Matt

Bob said that a Pickleball demonstration will be held this Saturday at the Goshen Market.

#### YMCA - Bob

- Bob reported that Trevor from the YMCA, agreed to order two wheels for each net to shore up the bottom braces.
- More new nets are being ordered.

## SCHEDULE COMMITTEE - Ray, Betty, Sue

- YMCA Indoor Play will begin November 1.
- Trevor stated he thought we could have morning hours (7-9 am) starting in November. Mary recommended a person who could be hired to take money at that time.
- Trevor is trying to arrange those times starting in mid-October.
- Bob said the proposal to allow free admittance to those possessing full Y membership has been tabled until January.

# **SOCIAL COMMITTEE** – Jeanine, Mary, Lisa, Cindy

- Jeanine reported that she has been trying to contact the person responsible for scheduling the American Legion Hall for the Christmas party. The committee approved up to \$350 for rental. Jeanine suggested that a Thursday evening may be easier to schedule during the busy month of December. This will be a potluck event with the club providing ham.
- A "Sadie Hawkins" event is being planned for the Spring. Men and women will draw names out of a hat for pairing and play.

### TOURNAMENTS – Jim, Tom, Bob, Lisa, Cindy, Betty

No tournaments are being planned at this time.

#### **TOWNSHIP PARK – Steve**

• Steve reported that the Township is still waiting to hear if the Illinois capital improvement bill will be passed. If passed, resurfacing of Township courts will occur in the spring. If not, the Township will be looking for other funding sources.

#### OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Bob said that SIUE will be having a Family Fun Night on October 18 from 5-7 pm in the Recreation Center.
   Any OMG member who wishes to play should contact Bob. Bob will ask Betty to put out an announcement to members.
- The Lynn Solon Foundation will hold their Annual Wine/Spirits tasting on Saturday, November 16 from 5:30-8:00 at the LeClair Room. It is being catered by Belle Melano. This is their major fundraiser. Bob encouraged members to attend in support of this organization that contributed to Plummer Park lights. Bob will ask Betty to put out an announcement.
- Barb suggested that members who buy OMG shirts be assessed an additional \$5. The committee thought
  Kathy Schoenleber should be consulted as she is the person who orders the shirts. The committee will
  invite Kathy to the next meeting.

NEXT MEETINGS: November 12, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.