

MLPBC General Meeting Minutes

2023-10-06 1pm virtual

Present: Mike, Karen, Fred, Roy, Tony, Kathie, Colette

1- Treasurer's Report – Fred

Per the September 30 Balance Sheet: Cash Account \$21,610; Wilma Ball Account \$5417. At the 2023-08-24 Board Meeting, the Board had approved \$17000 in expenses for new courts.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's report made by Karen, seconded by Roy. Passed

2- Minutes from 2023-08-24 Meeting - Colette

Motion to accept Minutes made by Kathie, seconded by Karen. Passed

3- President's Report – Mike

Current Site Status

Gravel and shell in place, parking bumpers are in place, numbers for courts have been ordered.

The Rampart building to be moved next Saturday and area designated for parking.

Plumbing and concrete must be completed before restroom can be installed.

The water fountain and cooler have been removed and will not be replaced by Mitch. A

discussion ensued about buying one (app. \$1000) or installing dispensers like those on golf course that would need refilling several times a day. To be determined later.

Utilities must be in place for the courts before the concrete can be poured. Seems we're waiting on everything.

Storage Building- must install concrete pad first. Mike has asked ML Board if we could put the cement pad in ourselves but has not yet received an answer. He will reach out to Mike Risaliti for help on this project.

4- VP Report – Karen

Karen walked us through the process of a member registering on Court Reserve and paying online with a credit card. Very simple procedure. Mike suggested getting a reminder out for Registration. He will place an announcement and try to insert a link on our FB page. Roy will do same on our website.

Mike asks if non-members could have access to our FB page. All agree to limit it to ML residents.

Karen explained how all members must click on Waiver and accept before they can play.

Registration- November 9th. Will begin with 30 min mingle/chat followed by a 1 hr regular Board meeting, short presentation about First Aid by Brenda and Open Mic. Afterwards tables will be staffed by 2 or 3 volunteers each, to register members, give out bands, train people on Court Reserve, give info on Tournaments and Ladders. Bob White has volunteered to attend also. Snacks/drinks to be determined later.

The Beautification Committee is seeking approval for Phase 1: to purchase 2 tables, 3 benches and 2 temporary sunshades. Colors in keeping with present Court colors of red/white/blue.

- Fred will confirm all choices with Nancy Bower in order to use the Wilma Ball Fund for these purchases and place plaques on back of benches. It is NOT recommended to tie the shades to the fence.
- Mike and Fred will submit our plans to ML Board for approval.
- Nancy will place order once all approvals are in.
- Fred will order shades now.
- Motion to approve Phase 1 made by Karen and seconded by Roy. Passed
- items still to be considered: message board, bag storage, sunshades, bike racks... Karen will inquire if bike racks are a ML responsibility.

5- Court Schedule – Roy

The Schedule changes every week so members must check on website. We ask that all members sign up in Court Reserve every time they play.

Fun Tournaments by levels of play, organized by Tom Oliphant, using 2 courts

Nov 30th, 9am - noon – Intermediate

Dec 5th, noon - 3pm – Novice

Ladders – Roy will run all Ladders until we find other volunteers to share the work. People must register online and self-assess their level.

Club Championship- Feb 23rd-25th. Tom Oliphant has suggested he might organize this with help from volunteers. Mike will confirm with Linda in Arts & Crafts that there is no interference with other activities.

Courts can be reserved for 4 people up to 5 days ahead on Court Reserve.

Mike submitted a list of procedures and court etiquette that he has posted at the Courts.

Procedure: Winners stay on for one more game but split up. It was suggested that we try out the procedures at the beginning of the season and make decisions based on feedback.

Kathie suggested we use baskets for paddles (like being on deck) when not too busy. And revert to the trough when busier.

Roy scheduled 2 adjacent levels playing in the same time slot on separate courts, to give players an opportunity to move up or down as appropriate.

6- Maple Leaf Expo – Nov 16th

2 volunteers needed to man the table at Expo.

Party in the Park – Nov 5th. Volunteers needed to sell tickets at the gate and to serve wine at PB table. All profits are divided among the participating clubs.

7- Training Coordinator – Kathie

Training will take place on Courts 3 and 4. Roy and Karen will make changes on their respective postings.

Nov 11th - 1st training session. Intro to PB is a 2-week class.

Mini clinics (3 hours) will be held initially on Tuesdays and Thursdays, starting in November, when Bob confirms.

In-house training consisting of Drills and self-instructed Drills, practice. To be announced.

We will try to get an Exhibition Match organized for the Grand Opening. Kathie will talk to Jeanine Robinson re helping with this.

8- Social/Fundraiser Events

Dec 10th - Dance at Queensway. Deb Conti had made a deposit of \$250 for the band. This fundraiser has no out-of-pocket cost but needs promotion. Open to the whole park. Roy and Karen will post on Website and Court Reserve.

We are still looking for a Social Director. Or form a committee for small events.

Jan 13th – Fundraiser

Mar 2nd – Fundraiser

Mar 19th – AGM at the CanAm, 12pm - 5pm

Motion to adjourn made by Tony, seconded by Karen. Meeting ended at 3:10.