Meeting Notes from Ely Pickleball Club Board Meeting - May 21, 2025 Whiteside Park

1. Meeting called to order at 12:35 pm

a. Attendees: Michelle Hedin, Craig Seydel, Jeff LeMaster, Matt Oberhelman, Debbie Cook

2. Approval of May Meeting Minutes

a. Debbie Cook motioned to approve with second by Craig.

3. Treasurer's Report

a. Presented by Debbie

b. Beginning Balance: \$11,765.46

c. Income:

i. Drop In Fees: \$45.00

d. Expenses:

i. Tape: \$24.01ii. Balls: \$22.65

iii. TTL Expenses: \$46.66 e. Ending Balance: \$11,763.80

4. Old Business

A. Facility/Land Search Committee Update:

- i. Ely Park & Rec Outdoor Hockey Rink:
 - 1. Craig provided all the information that the Park & Rec Department had requested including material list and estimated cost. He has followed up twice requesting feedback and potential next steps but his phone call and email have yet to be responded to.
 - 2. Craig to follow up while trying to add some urgency to receive a response.

ii. Fall Lake Township

1. No update: Township will be applying for grants and as such this potential project has turned into a long term project

B. Burger / Brat Fundraiser at Zups

- I. Set for Friday, July 18th.
- li. Staffing / volunteers are being projected as follows:

- 1. 2 people at the grill, 4 in the trailer, at least 2 outside plus potential delivery people?
- Zups has pre-order forms which could potentially be passed out to local businesses where we would fill the order and deliver on the 18th. Generated discussion regarding minimum orders and delivery costs.

C. Corn Fundraiser

- I. Sell corn by the dozen through pre-orders
- li. It was mentioned that we should have a clipboard order form circulating at our July fundraiser. Debbie Cook to follow up with advertisement and order form.

5. New Business

A. Summer Registration:

- I. Open for registration now and needs to be completed.
- Ii. Reminder went out on May 17th.

B. Beginner Pickleball Classes:

- I. Adult classes to be offered on selected dates during the first two weeks of June
- Ii. To be run thru Community Ed
- lii. Michelle and Matt to instruct
- lv. Children's lessons are being reviewed to see about feasibility of Summer '25

C. Condition of Courts at High School

- I. All courts are showing the wear of the winter but it was determined that court 3 will need repairs prior to play.
- li. Craig to lead a group of volunteers to patch and paint court 3 but will require a string of warmer weather.

D. Recycling Pickleballs

I. Michelle to contact Lifetime Fitness and other clubs to see who they use to recycle?

E. Chris Hartmant is retiring

- I. Given our longstanding relationship with Chris it was decided to provide her A cake and \$100.00 Gift Certificate
- Ii. Michelle will leverage relationship with Chris to arrange an introduction Meeting to meet her successor.

6. Other:

A. Summer Play Schedule

- I. We are coming into peak season and it was already somewhat evident by the large number of people who were waiting to play on Monday.
- Ii. Many options were discussed to try to ease court pressure to ensure all Members have the ability to play with minimal waiting times. Options Including dividing court times 100% to skill level on M-W-F, Encouraging group play on T-R to take some pressure off M-W-F. Various others were discussed but it was decided to table this discussion until next week.
- lii. Board will review the viability of ice arena for indoor play in June.

7. Next Meeting: June 18th at 12:30 in the park

I. Short play-oriented meeting to be held next week to finalize summer schedule

8. Meeting adjourned at 2:04 pm

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