Minutes from Ely Pickleball Club Board Meeting - July 16,2025 Whiteside Park

1. Meeting called to order at 1:21 pm

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

2. Approval of May Meeting Minutes

a. Debbie motioned to approve with second by Nancy.

3. Treasurer's Report

a. Presented by Debbie

b. Beginning Balance: \$12,855.35

c. Income:

i. Drop In Fees: \$104.00

ii. ISD Beginner Classes: \$139.78

d. Expenses:

i. Lucky Boy June: \$161.06

ii. Walmart Gift Card C.H.: \$106.89

iii. Susan Laine- Retirement Cake C.H.: \$60.00

e. Ending Balance: \$12,771.18

4. Old Business

A. Facility/Land Search Committee Update:

i. Semer Park:

1. It was brought to the Board's attention that there may be land available in Semer's Park where the park meets the Water Treatment Center property. Michelle and Jeff viewed the area and there does appear to be adequate room for additional courts. This would seem to be a good fit for the club, the city, and the people of Ely if it could work. We have emailed the Mayor with hope of securing a timely meeting to confirm the land could be used for pickleball courts and to gauge the interest of the city in partnering with the Club. Given the lack of response by the city regarding the use of the outdoor hockey rink we are not overly optimistic but will be persistent in getting a response and hopefully a meeting.

ii. Fall Lake Township

1. No new information.

iii. Studio North:

- 1. Michelle, Craig, and Jeff met with Nicole who is the owner of Studio North and along with a member of the State of MN agency responsible for assisting communities for recreation and commerce assistance. We were encouraged to get quotes for six outdoor courts as well as a building that could contain 2-3 courts for indoor play with 3 outdoor courts. We are working on securing these quotes by early August and presenting our options and recommendations to the Club during the Annual Meeting on August 29.
- 2. Studio North is extremely interested in partnering with the Ely PB Club to develop this property for PB Play.

B. Burger / Brat Fundraiser at Zups

I. Set for Friday, July 18th.

C. Corn Fundraiser

- I. Sell corn by the dozen through pre-orders
- li. Date was set for Aug 1 & 2 where we will setup a stand at Ely Liquor
- lii. We are going to encourage club members to pre-order asap.
- Iv. Order will be placed to Jim by last week of July.
- V. Huge thank you to Jim for his generous donation to take the time to pick up the corn and donate the cost of gas to the club!

D. Patching of Current Courts

I. Craig to coordinate and gather volunteers to assist but we need a stretch of dry weather to complete this project..

E. Youth Pickleball Clinic

I. We will not be holding a youth clinic this summer.

5. New Business

A. Team Reach App

- I. Board approved adopting the Team Reach App to be used for scheduling and communication for club events.
- li. All members are encouraged to sign up and use the app as all future events

will be communicated through the app.

B. Ely	PB Club Annual Meeting: I. Scheduled for August 29th @ Whiteside Park
C. Potential New Board Members: I. No commitments yet for the two needed Board Members	
6. Next Meeting: August 12th at 1:15 in the park	
8. Meeting adjourned at 2:34 p.m.	
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