

Minutes from Ely Pickleball Club Board Meeting - November 19, 2025

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1. Meeting called to order at 11:05

- a. Attendees: Jeff LeMaster, Matt Oberhelman, Debbie Cook, Doug S., Nancy H. Julie P.

2. Approval of October Meeting Minutes

- a. Debbie motioned to approve with second by Nancy

3. Treasurer's Report

- a. Presented by Debbie
- b. Beginning Balance: \$13,586.31
- c. Income:
 - i. Drop In Fees: \$10.00
 - ii. ISD696 Summer Fees: \$2589.82
- d. Expenses:
 - i. Lucky Boy \$161.06
 - ii. Zups Donuts & Cider for Steve S Party
- e. Ending Balance: \$15,980.14

4. Old Business

A. Facility/Land Search Committee Update:

- i. Semer Park:
 - 1. Matt, Don, & Roger met with City Officials and Nathan from Outdoor Sports Solutions to view the Semer's Park Property. Nathan had agreed to visit the site to help us with a more detailed drawing which is required by Park & Rec before they will vote on approving the project. It was determined at the meeting that there is a water main under the proposed site which is a major concern. The team then walked the upper level park property which is currently undeveloped. It was determined that this site would in many ways be a better location for the six pickleball courts especially since the Public Works department said they could clear the land and prepare the site for building courts and parking.
 - 2. Next steps include some clearing of trees by the Public Works to allow for a topographical survey to be completed. The estimated cost of the survey would be \$3500.00 and the expectation of the city would be for the club to pay for it giving they will be going thru the expense of clearing the land. The EPBC Board unanimously approved the expense but has asked the City to work with the surveyor, explain the nature of the project to assist with lowering

the costs of the survey. We are now waiting for the Public Works Dept to begin clearing the land for preparation of a survey. Weather permitting...they will try to get that done in the next few weeks.

3. A Building Committee and a Fundraising Committee has been established and ready to begin work once the project has been approved by the city.

B. Winter Play at the College:

1. Hours have been set for the winter.
2. Matt to try to get expanded play during the holiday season.

C. Court Closure

1. Doug presided over the court closure and inventory which was Completed on October 27th.

5. New Business

A. Review of 501.C Status and Guidelines

- i. The Board agreed that a review of our 501.C status and a better understanding of guidelines to protect this status was important given the scope of the new pickleball courts.
- ii. Julie agreed to do some initial research and also reach out to Linzy and Kuhn Law Firm as additional resources and will report back to the Board during our December meeting.

B. Google Groups:

- i. Debbie to contact the nine new members on the list to confirm legitimacy and Matt will contact Community Ed for an updated list to confirm active members.

C. Food Drive for the College

- i. Debbie to send out an email with timing and details

D. Christmas Party

- i. Christmas Party set for December 3rd

6. Next Meeting set for December 17th @ 12:00 c.s.t.

7. Meeting adjourned at 1:38 pm