

8.12.19

SCPC Meeting Minutes

President Clark Brody called the meeting to order at approximately 11:30am.

Present: Clark Brody, Bruce Carpenter(VP), Robin Lewis Kane(Sec.), Lori Chase(Tollgate Rep.) and Riley McHugh(Sage Meadows Rep.)

Absent with Apologies: Vivian Bousquet(Treasurer)

Guests: Cathy Ellis and Beth Carpenter

Business Discussed

*Clark recommends texting as best way to communicate among officers and representatives.

*With the possibility of utilizing the elementary school tennis courts, there was discussion over how quickly ODOT will move to put in a planned roundabout. The 3 year window might mean 2 seasons of play while 5 years would allow for 4 seasons of play. It was determined that before a decision of financial feasibility can be made to push forward with this plan, we will need to get more information on the timeline for the roundabout. Bruce pointed out that it would be worthwhile to find out if the state would replace the courts when it puts in the roundabout or if it would simply refund the cost of putting in the pickleball courts.

*Another interesting option to explore is to put in 2 new courts in a different place, unaffected by the roundabout, on school property—keeping the courts multipurpose to include both tennis and basketball. This will require a meeting with SPRD and the Superintendent of Schools and the City.

*A less likely option is creating a partnership with Pine Meadow for use of their courts. Complications include issues with HOA management/residents.

*Finally, Clark suggested that we need the political clout that comes with a large number of people who support our project. We need to determine the best way to go about this to build a financial base needed to carry out the mission of bringing public pickleball facilities to the people of Sisters Country.

Action Items

*Clark, Bruce and Riley will look into arranging a joint meeting with SPRD, the school district, City of Sisters and ODOT to discuss options.

*Robin and Lori will research ideas for membership/donations.

*Clark will keep SPRD board member, Bob Keefer, apprised of what we are doing.

Future Meeting: TBD

Meeting adjourned at 1:30pm

