

# **SOUTH HAVEN PICKLEBALL CLUB MINUTES -- JULY 27, 2023**

TIME: 2:00 P.M.

LOCATION: NANCY HILLEGONDS' HOME

PRESENT: Mike Sawyer, President  
Betty Johnson—Vice President  
Mike Marcus—Treasurer  
Nancy Hillegonds—Secretary  
Jim Robinson—At Large  
Rosemary Fitzer—At Large

**CALL TO ORDER:** 2:10 p.m. --Mike Sawyer, President

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Unanimous approval

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES (3-31-23):** Unanimous approval

## **REPORTS:**

A. President: 181 Paid members; about 50 members previously paid but have not renewed. Renewal letter to be sent to those 50 previous members encouraging renewal and itemizing the items dues are used for: i.e., nets, balls, etc.

B. Treasurer: Report attached; discrepancy between report showing 160 vs. 181 as reported by Mike S is due to memberships that have paid but have not showed up in the June statement

Motion to approve Treasurer's Report: Betty Johnson; second by Jim Robinson; unanimous approval

C. Property Acquisition: Jim Seltenreich has asked to help out with property acquisition. Jim Robinson also leading this effort.

A handout has been developed outlining goals to give to prospective donors.

Discussion about Freedom of Information Request which has been sent to City regarding the Pump Park DNR grant.

Moose Lodge Property: Met with the Board. Matter is now being considered by their Board Members.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- A. Net Purchase: Purchased three nets at a cost of \$1137; also making nets available for general public use.
- B. The amount of play on the courts during “off hours” (not Pickleball Club posted Open Play hours) is great enough to merit adding a third net.

Motion made to proceed—Nancy; second by Rosemary; Unanimous approval

- C. 4th of July Parade—Great event. Over 40 pickleball players marched; Won award for “Most Enthusiastic” entry. It was a great advertising and promotional event for the Club.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Board Nominations:

Betty Johnson, Vice President is resigning due to out-of-state move. Many thanks for her services developing the website and her guidance during our first year.

There are three slots for which nominations will be accepted: Vice President, Treasurer, and one At Large.

Will canvass for nominations prior to Annual Board meeting in August.

- B. Pickleball Paddle Racks: A recommendation was made to purchase a paddle system. Mike S. indicated he has built a proto-type that holds 24 paddles. Will put at courts and see how it works.

- C. Blueberry Festival: The club has been approached about having an entry in the parade. Cathy Duda organizing.

Motion to participate in Blueberry Festival—Rosemary F; second—Betty J; Unanimous approval

Motion to Purchase signage parade vehicles and business cards to pass out—Betty; second—Mike Marcus; Unanimous approval

- D. Pickleball Monthly Tournaments/challenge courts

Motion to order banner/signage identifying Pickleball Club Open Play M-S; 8-12 by Nancy; second—Betty; Unanimous approval

Challenge Court: Designate one court on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Will be posted on Team Reach.

Future discussion regarding effort to organize some kind of tournament. Will work on this for 2024.

Motion to Adjourn—Jim Robinson; second Betty; Unanimous approval

Adjourned: 3:15