

Approved February 11, 2021
General Membership Meeting Minutes
Westbrook Village Pickleball Club
January 14, 2021

Present: Steve Merkovich (President)
Bill Barbuto (Vice President)
Jerry Davis (Treasurer)
Rhonda Whitaker (Secretary)

Absent: ---

Pickleball Members: 25 Members present

Announcements and Guest Speaker

- Dianne Doerschel announced that this year due to Covid-19 tax preparation will not be done onsite in Westbrook Village (WBV). Watch for future announcements from this group.
- Steve Merkovich introduced Sill Maiorana who
 - Talked about upcoming WBV HOA Board elections and supporting our Club President, Steve Merkovich candidacy. He encouraged club members to sign-up for the Meet the Candidate Zoom meeting scheduled for February 17th. You can find more information on the WBV webpage.
 - Confirmed that the Center Court repairs are on the HOA budget as a placeholder for possible 2021 projects in the amount of \$100,000.

Meeting Call to Order / Quorum Validation

Steve Merkovich, President, called the meeting to order at 1310 hrs.

Review / Correction / Approval Meeting Minutes

December meeting minutes approved.

Treasurer Report

- Club account balance - \$18,451.00
- 2021 membership dues received to date \$1,225.00
- Shirt sale profits \$361.00
- Club continues to purchase pickleballs, sanitizer, and masks.

Unfinished Business

- Center Courts update: This project is a budgeted item as a placeholder on the 2021 HOA list of projects. The approval process takes place after the plan is put together and submitted to the various WBV committee's and finally submitted to the WBV BOD. The heavy lifting of putting the project together with real numbers is starting.

- Wearing Masks: Steve Merkovich is asking for everyone's participation in wearing a mask while NOT ACTIVELY PLAYING PICKLEBALL. The HOA put out a statement in their email blast stating the only time a mask can be removed is during a Cardio workout. Playing pickleball is considered a cardio workout, but the following are NOT cardio: going on and coming off the courts, as well as waiting to play or visiting off the courts. *The WBV Pickleball Club Board will be ordering and posting signs to post on the gates.*
- Membership Dues: 2021 Dues are due by Feb 15, 2021. Download and fill out the Membership/Waiver form [HERE](#), and write a \$25 check payable to the WBV Pickleball Association, and place both in an envelope with your name and WBV Pball on it, and give to frontdesk at the Vista's Rec Center. NOTE: Even though you may have already filled out the Waiver portion before, WBV is requiring our club to do it again.

New business

- Upcoming HOA Board Elections: Steve Merkovich encouraged everyone to vote in the 2021 HOA board elections, pointing out that of 3900 homes in WBV, the average number of votes received are historically been around 1200.
- Political Action Committee: Our club is starting this committee, and will be headed by Tom Ossell. More info to follow.

Committee Reports

Community Affairs - Lois Kummerow, Team Leader parforthecourse1@yahoo.com

Our Pickleball club is continuing to provide assistance for parking at the Sunday Market Place Event each month. Volunteers are needed for Feb, Mar, and April. *Lois encouraged members to join the new Political Action Committee.* If you have any other ideas for Community Affairs, contact Lois.

Ladders – JDee Birkeland, Team Leader jbsk@xmission.com

No report

Membership Committee - Pat Sulwask, Team Leader sparkle4714@gmail.com

No report

Publicity - Chuck Morse, Team Leader cnpmorse@cox.net

Social – *A volunteer is needed for 2021* - Contact our President at president@wbvpickleballclub.org

No report

Tournament - Kim Foley, Team Leader kimberliefoley@gmail.com

No Report

Training - Ray Thompson, Team Leader raythompson65@gmail.com

Currently no training is planned. Contact Steve for a list of people who are currently providing pickleball lessons.

For the Good of the Order

Loretta Meeker - Questioned the mandate of wearing masks when it is not required at the pool or hot tub when people are sitting together. *Steve Merkovich said he would ask at the next HOA Board meeting and suggested people attend that meeting.*

Lois Kummerow - The upcoming HOA Board elections are important. Ask questions, find out how long they have lived in WBV, have they been to board meetings, have they volunteered on committees? Also, there are currently two open positions on the Architectural Control Committee and one on the Recreation Committee.

Clark Stough - To add to Lois's comments, ask the candidate if he/she is willing to put in the required hours to be an HOA Board member, on the average 3-5 hours per week.

Mary Kinson - If people are concerned about Covid-19, they should think about finding a group to play with. Steve Merkovich added that as long as there are open courts, a private group can stay on the courts and rotate among themselves.

Meeting concluded at 1344 hrs.

Next General Membership meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 11, 2021 at 1300 hrs. at the west pickleball courts.

Minutes submitted by Rhonda Whitaker, 1/17/2021

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