Pickleball Club Board Meeting Minutes

March 13, 2025

1 PM at the FALC

Present: Lynette Jones, Anne Davis, and Nancy Millard. Absent: Karin Millner. Also present: Dianne Doerschel and Mike Barnett. There was a Quorum of 3 of 4 board members present.

Dianne is taking notes for Karin in her absence:

NOTE: Emails from Lynette asking for money etc are scams and frauds! Please do NOT open. Just DELETE them!

1. **Pickleball Palooza**: This event was a HUGE SUCCESS! Thank Yous were given to all who helped.

#### 2. Complaint Dept:

- <u>2 Paddletek Paddles</u> A retraction was issued via mass email to our pickleball membership explaining our mistake in including 2 Paddletek paddles series on the list of decertified dangerous paddles. They are not on the Dangerous Paddles list and never have been.
- Privacy & Pickleball email list Our Roster List with members' information, including emails is not for sending out political information. If you are making a Contact List for sending these kinds of emails, Please get each person's permission to be added to your email list.

# ALSO – Please Use BCC when sending out emails to help keep email addresses confidential.

NOTE: The email system that the Pickleball Club uses ALWAYS sends emails via the BCC policy. When you hit REPLY, you are sending your reply to Dianne Doerschel only.

3. <u>Political Signs</u> - Political signs are not allowed at the courts.

#### 3. Financial Report:

Total Income for Feb 2025: \$3780 Total Expenses for Feb 2025: \$887.65 Total Income Year to date: \$12,772 Total Expenses Year to date: \$5,271

4. Grant Award - Amy Miller and Karen Jones wrote and received a \$5,000 matching Grant from the City of Peoria for Pickleball Safety for our Stadium Courts (Courts 9 - 12). The monies will be used for court pads and their installation. A Thank You card was passed around for members to sign. Tim Davis stated the pads are being made right now and installation should take place in May, 2025.

### 5. Pickleball Courts Perimeter Fence:

- a) <u>User Group</u>: Bruce Garrison, Jenny Neilsen, Nancy Bagger, Jim Boell, Lynette Jones, Jerry Davis. Add Joe Bernier to this group.
- b) The HOA's goals for a perimeter fence around the pickleball courts is:
  - 1. To mitigate potential liability by non Westbrook Residents entering and utilizing the Westbrook Village pickleball courts.
  - 2. To increase Westbrook resident's ID card scanning compliance prior to utilizing the pickleball court amenities at the Vistas Rec Center.
- c) <u>Our User Group discussed the following</u>: Each category describes the current situation and the changes that would be needed wanted if fencing is installed.
  - 1. Impact
  - 2. Safety & Emergencies
  - 3. Handicapped Access
  - 4. Overall Appearance
  - 5. Egress, Regress and Congestion
  - 6. Parking: Cars, Bicycles and Scooters
  - 7. Water and Electricity
  - 8. Restrooms
  - 9. Shade
  - 10. Social Events

- 11. Westbrook Village Hours of Operation
- 12. Flying Balls
- 13. All or Partial Electronic Solutions \*

\* This item was not initially discussed by the User Group, but was brought up by Joe Bernier regarding Electrical Options. See below.

d) <u>Fencing Options</u>: Joe Boell (from a civil engineering background) showed 2 physical Fencing options: (See <u>RED</u> lines)

<u>Option 1: Long path to courts</u> (Going through pool area on the right going past the bathrooms, or going around the left side of the rec center, past the bocce ball area.) How much commotion will this cause for the people using the pool areas or the bocce ball area? Long lines at the check in scanning area?



**Option 1: Longer Path** 

<u>Option 2: Shorter path to courts</u> (Going past the swimming pool locker rooms and around the hot tub. This would entail some moving of fencing etc.) Again how much commotion will this cause those people using the facilities?



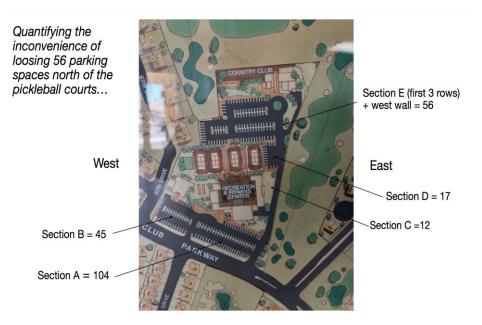
Option 2: Shorter path

e) <u>Electrical Options</u>: Joe Bernier gave information about Electronic Solutions. He stated that every place/door in WBV could be electronically fitted for a scanner/touch device. The cost would be about half of the cost of the Perimeter Fence, roughly \$75K. (This cost is based on hearsay that the cost for the fence may be \$125K-\$175K. No one knows exactly where those costs came from, so these figures are merely speculative.) This \$75K would include multiple escape routes and some fencing along with security systems and monitors, and new electricity and internet to several areas. It doesn't include gates at some areas. It was suggested that the Pickleball Club could be a test case for the entire Village.

Joe wants to present this info to HOA board.

f) <u>Issue of Parking</u>: See Diagram below of losing 56 parking spaces north of pickleball courts.

#### **Appendix Parking Diagram**

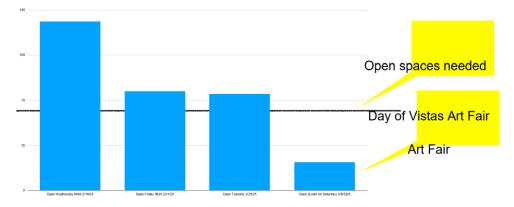


Total Parking spaces right now: 234 If no parking in the north lot: 234 - 56 = 178 If no parking on the east side as well: 178 - 29 = 149 Loss of 85 parking spots.

Lynette counted number of spaces available in front of the Vistas (Sections A & B in diagram above) during several days to determine if there would be at least 56 spaces available for us to park (if we lose the 56 spots north of the courts). The following chart shows there were over 56 spaces available except on event days happening at the Vistas Rec Center. (The Black horizontal line stands for 56 spots)

## **Parking Spaces Open**

• You only need 56 spaces to make up for losing the north parking lot in sections A and B.

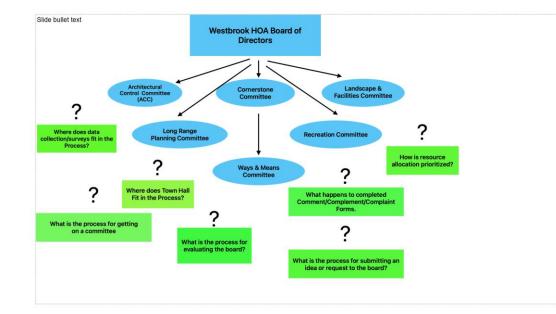


• We did not examine parking spaces needed if multiple guest enter the courts at same time.

<u>Bicycles and scooters park</u>? Amy and Karen said they will expand that parking (now in the front of the Vistas) to be more there.

q) Next step: Bruce Garrison will be handing off our information gathered to Amy Miller and Karen Jones. We would like a town hall meeting (for all of Westbrook residents) about this whole issue. We feel it will affect any resident who used the Vistas Rec Center, PLUS it affects ALL of Westbrook Residents since the cost will be coming out of our HOA dues. But the WBV HOA said this has to go through all the committees BEFORE holding a town hall meeting. It appears that our definition of what a Town Hall Meeting is differs from what the HOA's definition is. We feel it's very important to get the input from residents prior to projects making it through all the committees. And that residents should have the right to have input on how their HOA dues are being spent. It was suggested that ALL residents send emails to Karen Jones and Amy Miller asking for Town Hall Meetings about upcoming projects so they can have input on how their money is being spent. (It was stated that even when going to HOA Board meetings and other committee meetings, that input given isn't always listened to or used since a lot of it doesn't make it into the minutes because of being stated prior to the meeting's actual Call to Order.)

- 6. **Annual WBV meeting**: Mar 26, 6pm Lakes Ballroom. They will announce results of the voting for board members, and the Parking on public roads issue. Please attend so you can be informed!!
- 7. Status of WB Club Bylaws & Guest Policy: This is unfinished and in a holding pattern at the HOA level. Initially the HOA board voted to change the punch card cost from \$25 to \$100 for use when having guests use our facilities. Shortly after that vote, this was rescinded (without any explanation) and will be voted on at the next HOA board meeting.
- 8. Decision Making in WB: Many people are frustrated with how decisions are to be made at WB. The following flowchart depicts this.



## How does a resident effect change within Westbrook?

9. Advanced Play Rules of Participation: Discussion on changing the name of the Advanced Group. Decided to keep as is. They use DUPR ratings and mini round robins to determine rating levels of people who might want to play at this level.

10. **Members Grandfathered into the Pickleball Club**: Chuck Quigg and Cherilyn Toland are our 2 members who are grandfathered in each year. Cherilyn's name was inadvertently left off for this season and the PB Board has voted her to be put back on the list!