

MINUTES
VICTORIA REGIONAL PICKLEBALL ASSN.
AUGUST 24, 2020
JAN'S HOME (OUTDOORS)

1. Attendance:

Trish Main (TM)
Jan Bergen (JB)
Malcolm Macaulay (MM)
Judy Langford (JL)
John Paterson (JP)
Gale Penner (GP)
John MacLeod (JM)

Guest:
Corine Reid (CR)

Guest regrets:
Angus Stewart

2. Call to Order:

- TM called the meeting to order at 4:09 pm

3. Minutes from the Board meeting of July 20, 2020:

- Minutes of Board meeting of July 20, 2020 varied to reflect discussion of various proposed amendments to Bylaws without resolution, then finalized and approved

4. President's Report

- In a written report, TM reviewed recent developments, including:
 - Wain Road Courts
 - TM and CR met with 2 neighbour representatives to discuss potential resolution of issues respecting hours of play and equipment noise but were unable to reach any agreement
 - North Saanich Council has formed a committee to address the issues and report back to Council at their next meeting on September 28, 2020
 - TM has drafted a letter to Council outlining USAPA equipment standards
 - This is of particular importance because the neighbours are asking that modified balls be used

- The Board discussed possible political action by local resident pickleball players including seeking media attention
- Saanich Court Expansion
- TM has contacted the Planning Manager for Saanich to discuss future plans for court construction in the municipality
- MM and TM will meet with him and also pursue possible court development on CRD lands near Beaver Lake
- Topaz Parks
- The proposed redevelopment of the park has been sidelined and, in part, delayed by the pandemic and homeless issues
- At this point, the city is only proceeding with an altered phase 1. This means that pickleball court construction will be delayed for an unforeseeable time
- Pearkes Contract
- The Pearkes management team has been on holidays and, as a result, no progress has been made with respect to negotiations
- The Board is hopeful that resolution can be reached quickly
- AGM Planning
- TM and MM have been reviewing the emergency requirements respecting the conduct of an electronic meeting even though our current bylaws do not expressly provide for such meetings
- Denis Harrigan has Zoom skills and has agreed to act as scrutineer at the AGM

5. Treasurer's Report:

- Current ISCU account balance - \$20,022
- PayPal account balance - \$489
- Petty cash - \$75
- Membership renewals:
- As at the date of the meeting, there were 185 active members

6. Old Business:

- Bylaw changes (MM):

- The Board further discussed and approved seeking membership approval at the AGM for the following changes:

- (1) Add Bylaws 5.5 and 5.6 as follows:

- (5.5) If at any time, the Board determines that there is insufficient local community representation on the Board, it may appoint up to 3 additional voting members as directors.

- (5.6) A director appointed by the Board under Bylaw 5.5 is not eligible to be elected an officer of the VRPA and ceases to be a director on the date of the next Annual General Meeting unless elected at that time.

- (2) Amend Bylaw 9.3 by adding “or anyone of the treasurer, president and vice-president and any other director” so that Bylaw 9.3, in its entirety reads:

- (9.3) A cheque to be signed by the Society must be signed on behalf of the VRPA by any two of the treasurer, president and vice-president or by any one of the treasurer, president and vice-president and by any other director.

- (3) Amend Bylaw 3.1 by adding “or electronically” so that Bylaw 3.1, in its entirety reads:

- (3.1) A general meeting must be held at the time and place or electronically as the Board determines.

- (4) Add Bylaw 3.1(a) as follows:

- (3.1(a)) If the Board determines that an electronic general meeting shall be held, the Board must:

- (i) Host the meeting at a location within British Columbia;

- (ii) Voting at the meeting must occur by e-polling, show of hands, voting cards, proxies or in such other manner as the chair directs.

- (5) Add Bylaw 6.6 as follows:

- (6.6) The directors may meet at the time and place or electronically as they determine.
- MM to draft special resolutions, rationales for change and send to TM
- View Royal Development
- TM and MM will meet with the developer to follow up on how we can assist with seeking Council approval of the proposed pickleball facility as the amenities package
- AGM
- The proposed date for the AGM is September 28, 2020 but, due to Provincial Emergency Regulations, the meeting must be held electronically
- The Board will arrange trial Zoom runs for members who wish to familiarize themselves with the technology in advance

7. New Business:

- Nil

8. Next Meeting:

- TBA

9. Adjournment:

- 5:18 pm