

SPPA Executive Meeting Minutes – October 18, 2021

Present: Rod Ellis, Cathy Becker, Sid Greener, Roger Fox, Annie Fearon,
Ann Blyth, June Curtis

Approval of minutes: Motion passed to approve September 27 minutes.

Treasurer Report: \$5557.75 Balance

June will investigate Paypal and how we receive payment from Pickleball BC.

Old Business

Cathy completed annual report for BC Societies and submitted amended bylaws. The cost including office supplies was \$109.57.

New Year tournament – Jim has agreed to help organize. We are trying for January 15th. June will coordinate with Diane and Jim to book venue and decide on how much time is needed.

Christmas Party- Due to Covid restrictions on dancing it may have to look different this year. Ann will canvas members in the upcoming newsletter as to their preference and then June will coordinate with volunteers to organize. December 9th is the date being considered.

Spring Open House- Rod will coordinate with John Forte and will try to get the Upside team from Chek News to attend.

Winter jobs as outlined at the last meeting are complete.

New Business

Rod sent an introduction letter to Central Saanich and has not received a reply.

Sid has called Glen Meadows and has not heard back.

Mary Winspear has refused to have pickleball this fall, due to Covid. They will reconsider in January.

Annie/Cathy met with Kim Say regarding the schedule at Greenglade and possible expansion in January. Attendance has been low at Greenglade and the concern is that it looks bad when asking for new courts. Annie gave out schedule information on Facebook and Kim made access to the booking website easier. As of the October meeting, it was beginning to fill up, except the 7:00 – 9:00 spot. Annie will contact Kim about offering beginner lessons at North Saanich School in January.

North Saanich Council will discuss the Wain Rd. Pickleball courts at a council meeting in November. Sid has talked to Ben Martin. Ben is watching what is happening in Saanich and will pay close attention to the guidelines that they came up with at their last council meeting. There will be public participation at the North Saanich meeting and we agreed that SPPA should make a presentation. Sid will try to get a meeting with Ben Martin, prior to his report writing, to make it clear that we are willing to help to make the courts a success.

Third Shot Drop Sports is giving coaching clinics around the province which are paid for by Pickleball BC. Roger is the contact and will coordinate the clinic if we are one of associations chosen to receive this training.

Ann will write the monthly newsletter.