

**Peak to Peak Pickleball Club
Club-Wide Annual Meeting
November 29, 2017**

22 members present

1. Financial Report - Treasurer Clint Lawrence

- a. The club opened a checking account with High Country Bank in Salida. The opening balance was \$976.00. Our ending balance as of 11/24/17 is \$1,184.37

2. Old Business

a. Salida Court Update - Rick Hum

- Due to the amount of "sweat equity" contributed by our club at the demolition of the old tennis courts, and the number of club members who attended the ground breaking by the city, we are in very good standing with both the city council and the recreation department. Thanks to all who attended!
- The cement slab for the courts has been poured and is currently curing. The light posts and fence posts are in the ground.
- Next spring the courts will be painted, fencing erected, and wind screens installed. There will be approximately 15 paved parking spaces. The surface of the courts will probably be painted a blue color with white lines and lighter blue pickleball lines. The surface will be a material softer than concrete with a slight amount of texture.
- Play on the new courts could begin as early as May of 2018. A committee is being formed composed of Rec Dept employees, Peak to Peak members, and tennis club members (3 to 4 each) to develop a playing schedule incorporating the needs of all 3 entities. Anyone who would be interested in serving on this committee is asked to contact Rick Hum.

b. Buena Vista Court Update - Stephanie McDonald

- Rick and Stephanie have attended numerous meetings in BV to request permanent, designated courts. For this to happen, the project must first get on the City's master plan. Rick will be attending the Rec Advisory Board meeting in January with a proposed site plan and cost estimate.
- As of right now, our best option is to use the existing slab at the skate park for 6 designated courts. The estimated cost is \$152,500. After we are part of the master plan, we can then proceed with applications for grants, such as GOCO. The club's contribution will be approximately 10%.

3. New Business

- a. Due to our growth and changing financial picture, many structural changes have had to take place in our club. Due to the fact that our club continues to

grow and we are seeing increased revenue from clinics and tournaments, and the awarding of the GOCO grant, the club has filed for 501(C)3 status. Required By-laws have been created, thanks to Rick Hum, our Steering Committee is now a Board of Directors, (elected by club members), and our officers (President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer) are elected by the Board of Directors.

A copy of the by-laws is attached to the meeting minutes. These were approved by the Steering Committee in October. Rick and Clint have worked many hours getting everything in place to apply for the 501(C)3. The application will be sent at the end of the week at a filing cost of \$400. We will know if it has been approved in approximately 6 weeks.

- b. Club Membership - beginning January 1, 2018. It has been decided by the Steering Committee to charge a \$25 annual membership fee to belong to the Peak to Peak Pickleball Club. It is not required you belong to the club to continue to play at any of our venues. However, there are benefits to membership. Dues may be waived for those with a financial hardship. To be a "member in good standing" means you have an up-to-date membership form on file, your dues are paid and you have read the USAPA Code of Conduct and are in compliance with the Code. The \$25 fee does not eliminate the need to pay at each session at each venue.

Being a "member in good standing" does allow you to vote for Board Members, receive discounts on club events like clinics, tournaments, and parties, and you can take advantage of a one-time club shirt discount.

The new membership form is attached and will also be available at the Christmas Party on December 14. Return the forms to Clint Lawrence along with your payment of \$25/member.

- c. Court Pledges - as soon as our 501(c)(3) application is submitted, those of you who made pledges towards the construction of the Salida courts will be receiving a letter asking for your pledge. These will be tax-deductible if the 501(c)(3) application is approved.

- d. Nominations of New Board of Director Members.

Nominations close Friday, November 30th.

Outgoing members are:

- Rick Hum - Vice President (Salida)
- Marilyn Box (BV)
- Holly Christian (BV)
- Melissa Jory (Salida)

Ongoing members are:

- Stephanie McDonald - President (BV)

Kathy Evers - Secretary (Salida)
Clint Lawrence - Treasurer (Salida)
Matt Sweeney (Salida)
Darlene Friedrichs (Salida)
Bill Fitzgerald (BV)

Those whose terms are expiring can be reelected. Also, you can nominate yourself.

All nominees will be notified of their nomination, and if they consent to run, will be put up for a vote by the membership sometime in early December. Their term begins January 1, 2018.

e. Fundraising:

As mentioned earlier, the club will need to contribute about 10% to the cost of the new BV courts. Lindsey and Frances Tanner (players in BV) have offered their services through their e-commerce business to market a shirt specifically for Colorado picklers. The shirt has been designed by our own John T. and Jeff S. (both graphic designers) to be marketed for only a short time in December. It is available on Facebook and is a must have. We will be making a much bigger profit off of these shirts and they will also be sent directly to your home. Stephanie will no longer have to act as the middleman.

Get your shirts soon! Sale ends December 11th. Allow 2 weeks for delivery. Great gift idea.

Any other fundraising ideas??? We are listening. If you have fundraising or grant writing experience, we need you.

f. Proposed Budget for 2018

Income

Gifts, grants, and contributions	\$7,600 (pledges)
Membership dues (approximately)	\$2,500
Receipts from sale of merchandise, admissions to events, or services performed. (clinics, tourneys)	\$2,000
Total Gross Income	\$12,100

Expenses

Gifts, grants, and contributions paid out	\$7,600
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Fundraising expenses	\$150
Occupancy, office, rent, etc.	\$1,282
Total Expenses	\$9,032
Net Income	\$3,068

g. Planned/Upcoming Events for 2018

- + 14 of our club members are trekking to Costa Rica this weekend for a week of Pickleball.
- + December 14th - Christmas Party. Details to come soon.
Rick and Pati Helmick have generously donated the meat for the pulled pork.
- + December 16th - Teaching Pickleball to Chaffee County Mentors at Fairgrounds. Karen Dils is leading and welcomes volunteers - contact her if you can help
- + January 20th - Matt Sweeney in conjunction with Salida Rec is putting on a round robin tournament for our Peak to Peak Club.
- + January 28 - February 2 - Stephanie and Kathy attending Ambassador Retreat.
- + February 6, 13, 20, 27 - Stephanie teaching an "Intro to Pickleball" course in BV
- + February 19 - Learn to Play Clinics in BV
- + March 26-30 - Mark Renneson Clinics in BV
- + Summer - David Redding Clinics
- + Early Fall - Sarah Ansboury Clinic at Mt. Princeton Hot Springs Resort

h. 2017 in Review

- Awarded \$240,000 GOCO grant for Salida Courts (Please thank Rick Hum next time you see him.)
- Changes in club structure and organization
- January -Round Robin Tourney for club members - 30 members participated

- February - Round Robin Mixer with Gunnison and Canon City - 36 participants
- March - Round Robin Tourney - 47 participants
- April - Group led by Karen Dils taught Pickleball to 230 middle schoolers in BV.
- May - Hosted US Open watch party at Wallbangers
- July - 4 new courts open at Mt. Princeton Resort (Many thanks to Tom Parkes!)
- August - Hosted David Redding clinics - 43 attended clinics, 21 had lessons
- August - painted lines on BV tennis courts
- September - 25 members helped to take down fencing and windscreens on Salida courts.
- September 18 - groundbreaking for new Salida courts

AND....we continue to have major success at tournaments!!

One club member participated at the National Senior Games in Birmingham, AL

One club member participated in the State Games of America in Grand Rapids, MI

5 to 6 club participated in the USAPA Great Plains Regional in Co. Springs

3 members went to the Huntsman World Senior Games in St. George, UT

5 members went to the USAPA National Championships in Casa Grande, AZ

Kathy Evers - 2017 National Champion, Women's Doubles 4.0

Karen O'Hare - 2017 Silver Medalist, Women's Doubles 3.5

Keep up the good work, everyone!!!

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Evers, Secretary