

Davis Tennis Club Board Meeting - Minutes, October 5, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 6pm at the DTC clubhouse.

In attendance were: Kelli O'Neill, Grace Vaughn, Sue Shepps, Cheri Herman, Dennis Anderson, George Haver, Chris Dewees, Janine Carlson, Albert Medvitz, Peggy Leander, Larry Drager, Kathy Drager, Art Williams, Georgina Williams, Jan Husbeck, Myrna Epstein, Kathy Muira, Joan Hanssman, Donna Reed, Norma Rice, Alan Brattesani, Richard Passmore, Melanie Passmore, Jeff Tweddale, Ron Addy

Minutes from September's Meeting (Sept. 7)

Board members unanimously approved the minutes to the last meeting with no additions or corrections. The vote was 8-0.

Davis High School Tennis Complex - Restrict Public Access to New Courts

Most attended the meeting for this Agenda item.

Kelli provided the following background of events that lead to the installation of new gates with locks to the new courts (courts 8-12) at the High School complex.

In brief, George Haver and Kelli O'Neill had meet with George Parker, Davis Joint Unified School District, Facilities and Maintenance Director several times in the last year to discuss repairs to the Davis High School tennis complex. During these meetings, George Parker and Jeff Lorensen, the DHS Athletic Director, raised concerns about access to the complex by the public. They were mainly concerned about skateboarders or other prohibited user from damaging new courts or resurfaced ones. After multiple meetings and rounds of negotiations Parker agreed to keep all courts open to the public.

As part of the project to redo the north courts (8-12), Parker replaced the existing gates on the fence that surrounds this part of the complex with new ones. The new gates have a one-way locking mechanism where a key is needed to enter the courts but not to exit them. Two of the gates effect public access to the courts. The gate between the middle courts to the north courts and the gate entering into court 12 from the Community Park side of the complex. However, the middle gate was installed in the wrong direction so the public can enter the northern courts without restriction through this gate.

Kelli called George Parker. Parker provided he was required to install the new gates per ADA compliancy however he didn't intend for the gates to be closed and therefore locked thus preventing public access to them. Parker assured Kelli that he was working on getting a master key to essentially remove the locking function on them. Further, he suggested using duct tape to prevent the gates from closing in the meantime.

The day following the telephone conversation, Kelli meet with Parker, Jeff Lorenson, Dale Hersch and Sally Hosley at DHS in the afternoon. George Parker and Jeff Lorenson immediately expressed their desire to lock all the gates to the complex meaning the public would no longer have access to the complex. The school district would still allow the DTC to use the complex for club permitted events. Kelli reminded Parker and Lorenson of the Joint-Use agreement between the City and School District that allows the public access to the complex. Parker said the agreement was in limbo and not enforceable because the City didn't live up to its obligation to maintain the complex by paying for the new courts. Jeff and George brought up the liability issue among others and expressed concern that the school district was solely liable if a public user got hurt on the complex. Kelli provided that the City maintained a \$1 million dollar policy on the courts which covered public users. Parker agreed he would not lock the remaining gates until the school district, city and DTC club could meeting to work out a new agreement.

Kelli called Christine Helweg, the City's Parks and Recreation's Superintendent. Kelli informed Christine of the currently locked gates to the new courts and the schools desire to ultimately prevent public use of the complex. Christine provided that the agreement was still in effect and the public has access to the courts until such time as the agreement was renegotiated or cancelled. In order for this to take place, it would eventually have to go before City Council and the School Board for final approval. Christine said she'd arrange a meeting between all involved groups to come up with a solution.

Most of those in attendance expressed support for a solution that kept the entire complex open to the public. Many thought it was in the school district's best interest to not change things because of the amount of money the public paid in special school taxes especially considering they were up for renewal in the November election. Some said they would talk to members of the City Council and those they knew on the School Board.

Treasurer's Report

Chris provided a summary of the amount of funds in club's banks accounts. A breakdown of these funds is attached in Chris' monthly report.

Walnut Park Complex - Repairs.

The repairs to the Walnut complex are just about complete. The southwest court was re-stripped for Pickle Ball only (four courts). The city intends to put up netting between the tennis court and pickleball courts to help reduce the number of balls rolling into each other's courts.

The currently designated courts for pickle ball are Slide Hill, North Davis and Walnut. There may be other city courts designated or striped for pickleball when they are completely redone or resurfaced like the Walnut complex. However, the City will bring tennis club and pickle ball representatives together to further decide how this will be accomplished.

George Haver priced the cost at Volleys for wind screens for the school side of the complex. The cost was roughly \$900 before a discount however, the screen would not cover the entire west side fencing area. Cheri suggested the club purchase a larger screen to cover the entire area to act as a sound barrier and windscreen. The board agreed to table the issue to the next meeting.

Clubhouse Enhancements:

Dennis Anderson installed wood plates with hooks on the south wall in the storage area of the clubhouse to hang the squeegees up off the floor to prevent damage to the rollers and protect the floors.

Sue Shepps purchased curtains to separate the two rooms. Dennis will install them.

The board agreed to spend up to \$90 to purchase a shelving rack which Dennis will install behind the front door for league players to store their bags when they are in the clubhouse. The vote was 7-0 in favor of the expenditure.

Yolo Team Tennis Tournament

Grace Vaughn presented a summary of the inaugural tournament. The tournament was very successful and the club received very positive feedback about the event. Many participants wanted to know when the next tournament would take place. Eight teams participated and they were made of up Davis and Woodland community club members, UCD recreational players, members of the Davis HS boy and girls JV teams and players from other communities. All players excepts those in high school had to be a member of either the Davis or Woodland tennis clubs or join either one to participate. Bob Miller, the coach of the JV HS girls' team said the adult players had a very positive effect on the younger players who learned what was possible when playing competition tennis. Some of the ideas discussed for future tournaments included allowing for substitutions during games and limiting the time to warm-up between sets to five minutes.

Community Tennis Plan – Seeking Volunteer to Raise Funds for City Court Repairs.

No discussion took place on this item. Item was continued to next meeting.
Meeting Adjourned at 8pm.

DTC Treasurer's Report for September 2016

Wells Fargo Business Checking balance 9/30/16 was \$ 7764.26

Inflows:

\$ 370.97 – dues
\$ 1600.00 – court fees Jan.-June from Dale Hersch
\$ 138.00 – t-shirt sales

Outflows:

\$ 100.00 – required transfer to Savings
\$ 575.92 – Ink Monkey for shirts
\$ 1176.75 – City of Davis court fees July-Sept. 2016

Wells Fargo Business Savings Balance 9/30/16 was \$ 5940.06

Inflows:

\$ 100.00-- required transfer from checking
\$.14 – interest earned

1. Dues continue to flow in for Fall season.
2. Shirt sales of DTC shirt slows.
3. Jan-June court fees paid by Dale. I paid our July-Sept fees to City.
4. Will wait to pay any more court fees to City until court access issue is resolved.
5. Will purchase a couple of backup squeegee rollers.

Prepared and Submitted by Christopher Dewees, DTC Treasurer