

The board of recreation held its October 20, 2020 meeting at our recreational complex located at Surrey & Balfour Avenues.

Present: Diane Birkbeck, Paul Hydro, Jeff Moore, Joe Iannuzzelli, Jerry Thomas. Klaudia Advena arrives at 6:35pm.

Motion was made by Paul Hydro to approve Sept minutes. Second by Jeff Moore

Guests: Patty Harrigan, Joe Tosh and Gary Brimberg to speak about pickleball for 2020-2021 season. They wanted to discuss having a tournament in Sept 2021 if possible at the recreational area at Somerset Aves. The board thought that the tournament would be great in Sept 2021 if COVID matters are addressed etc. they mentioned Thursday-Sunday if possible but this is all to be determined.

They were informed that they would have to apply for a special events application and adhere to fees and insurances based on their event.

Patty stated they had a wonderful & profitable summer. Highest number of memberships

They also requested possibly buying a shop vac of some kind for the sand that is on the courts. Mr. Thomas said that problem is when guys go to sweep or vacuum the people on the courts give them a hard time. So what will be planned for next season, ON THE schedule of operation for pickleball program, there will be a specific day of the week and time that the courts are closed every week for the sweeping of the court or vacuuming if needed.

Also discussed possibly having a league indoors at the VECC is allowed. Mr. Thomas said that it is the school's decision and that he did request for pickleball along with volleyball and basketball programs to be inside leagues. All this would depend on when the board of Ed would open for children to go back into the school. Then it would depend on if other than students and staff are allowed, if that happens then the school would have to consider any outside groups or activities in the school.

A lot of these issues will be based on COVID guidelines etc.

Motion was made to adjourn meeting by Diane Birkbeck and seconded by Klaudia Advena.