

Meeting of Tennis Committee  
20 May 2010

Participants

Steve Hurwitz, manager LRRHOA  
Chrystal Daulton, community coordinator  
Rich Triplett-president of Board of Trustees  
Ed O'Connor chair tennis committee  
Bob Grimm-vice-chair  
Carolyn Passic-secretary  
Leslie O'Connor-treasurer  
Terry Hicks member- at- large  
Karen Rice member-at-large

The meeting came to order at 4pm at Little Rocky Run HOA

Mr. O'Connor asked if the board of trustees needed to recognize the committee, and if so the process to have it seated.

Rich Triplett stated that the BOT did need to recognize the participants, and they must ok the list before the next meeting of the trustees. Steve Hurwitz said the committee acceptance could be fast-lined so that a proposal could be brought before the board before the 10 June meeting.

Mr O'Connor stated the short-term goals were to see if the summer tennis program could be reinstated. He further said tennis makes the neighborhood more attractive to new residents, and that parents are active in the swim team but not tennis. There has a committee in the past which was not aware that the RJ Tennis contract was not valid after 1997. Contracts and papers were not seen. The committee would like tennis for the juniors for this summer, as there are 50 to 60 children in the neighborhood who take lessons from RJ Tennis. It was pointed out that many children who had participated in the RJ Tennis clinics have gone on to high school teams. The tennis committee recognizes that it is too late this year to put the tennis contract out for other bids, as other clubs and neighborhoods start this process in January and February.

Several members stated that they would ask other tennis committees, in other areas, how they handles fees, clinics, private lessons and the giving of lessons to non-residents or members for next year's bidding process.

Rich Triplett, as president of the Board of Trustees, gave a summary of the Board's problems with RJ Tennis. They had asked him for a contract and he came back with a draft for Fairfax Station. RJ Tennis has never paid for fees either for the use of courts or

to put ads and schedules into the Run. Mr. Triplett stated that others have to pay fees for using the LLR facilities, and the BOT feels it is a gross inequity that RJ Tennis has not paid fees for the past years. This is a major problem for members of the BOT, as well as the fact that non-residents are given lessons in the neighborhood. The BOT wants a valid contract as RJ Tennis has not had a contract since 1997, as well as proof of insurance, (which RJ Tennis does have), and remuneration for the use of the courts. He cited that Burke Center charges \$1000 of their pros. Mr. Triplett said the goal of the fees is not for the HOA to make money but to help keep up the courts. He also stated that the committee no longer had \$500 budget, as the HOA and BOT was unaware there was a tennis committee, even though Karen Rice, the last committee head, had said she would stay on as head to help the process of tennis lessons in LLR.

Mr. Triplett said the Board of Trustees would not stop the new committee, after being seated, from getting tennis in the community. However, he stated the feeling of many board members is not in favor of RJ Tennis, and that a phone vote would have to be 100% in favor of accepting a contract, and that would not happen. He suggested that the tennis committee should go in front of the Board with a strong contract from RJ Tennis, if the process could be accelerated, hopefully before the 10 June BOT meeting.

Mr. Hurwitz said there were several models the committee could use; the model of the swim team, which is not part of the association, with rules negotiated annually( there is no revenue sharing between the HOA and the Swim team), or as an independent organization such as Crystal Aquatics (which runs the pools), and be more a vendor for tennis. The committee agreed the swim team model is best as it would keep the HOA out of decisions.

Mr. Hurwitz was asked what was needed from the HOA to get tennis sanctioned for this summer, which are a written agreement, proof of insurance by the pro, and the consent of the BOT.

The committee agreed to contact Rob Carvajal, of RJ Tennis, to see if a contract could be forthcoming, to include schedule of clinics, court use, remuneration for court use, and proof of insurance. The committee agreed that this summer should be limited to junior tennis, to eliminate non-resident adults using the courts, although residents are free to contact any pro for lessons, during the hour allowed for singles play. The committee would ensure that those signed up for lessons would be residents in good standing. This proposal/contract would be shown to Chrystal Daulton and Steve Hurwitz for HOA approval. After approval, this could be quickly brought in front of the BOT for a vote.

The meeting adjourned at 5pm.