

EAGLE RIVER PICKLEBALL ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL MEETING - Friday, August 16, 2024, Riverview Park Pavillon

1. President Randy Harbath called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.
2. Melody West moved to approve the Annual Meeting Minutes from 2023. Denny Erardi seconded the motion. Motion passed with unanimous approval.
- 3(a). Calendar Year 2024 Financial Statement as of July 31, 2024. Clarese Espe moved to approve the 2024 Financial Statement. Ron Hagen seconded the motion. Motion passed with unanimous approval.

3(b). The Proposed CY 2025 Budget was presented, which included financial background information of CY 2023 Revenue and Expenses, 7/31/24 Revenue and Expenses, as well as projected CY 2024 and 2025 Revenue and Expenses. Membership data was also presented. 266 members for 2023. 297 members for 2024. 67 non-returning members. 95 new members this year. Daily fees were raised to \$5 this year. Daily fees for the months of May and June were \$139. Daily fees for the month of July was \$498.

AED batteries and pads due for replacement. Republic Services agreed to donate \$1,500 to buy an outdoor cabinet, new battery/pads, and signage. We made an application to them for the \$1,500, but have not received final approval. The box has a push button lock. Call 911. They will give you the combo, and the combo is also in our yellow box. Melody West moved to approve the proposed budget for 2025. Barb Helmick seconded the motion. Motion passed with unanimous approval.

4. Election of Board Members. Tom Helmick and Greg Laatsch were willing to be nominated for another term. Marita has completed her two-year term. Patty Akerlund volunteered to be a member of the board and fill the opening. Motion was made to accept Tom Helmick, Greg Laatsch, and Patty Akerlund as members of the Board. Motion was seconded. Unanimous approval.

Next year, all four officers' terms are expiring. Randy, Bob, and Sue are not going to run for reelection. We will need new officers and Board members next year.

5. ATP Camp. Lauri Gerlach and Karl Athow gave a report on the ATP Camp this year. The two pros were John Sperling and Scott Tingley. The camp was very successful. The charge for ERPA members was \$160 per person. Everywhere else, the charge is \$260 or more. We are getting a deal. This year it was a four-day camp. Next year it will be a five-day camp. Members of ERPA were given priority for the camp. There were no non-members until it was necessary to fill in some slots due to last-minute emergencies. There were three non-member camp people. Next year the camp will be the week of June 16th. Thursday and Friday of that week the Camp will only take up three courts.

6. At last year's annual meeting, Gary Carlton proposed changing Article III, Section C of the Bylaws. It currently reads, "Term of office: All officers are elected for a two-year term and are limited to two consecutive terms in office." Gary proposed changing the bylaws to have more than two two-year terms, if the officers wanted to stay on longer, with no limit. Two-thirds of the people present at the meeting needed to approve the change to the bylaws. The vote was whether to eliminate the limitation of two terms in office. The vote was taken, and it passed.

7. Karl Athow proposed some bylaws amendments. It was agreed that there are a lot of things in the bylaws that need to be changed. Some are housekeeping issues. Some are bigger changes. Discussion ensued on some of the more major proposed changes to the bylaws.

The recommendation of the Board is to have a small committee review the bylaws. Karl Athow and Sue Behrens will be on the committee. They will need one or two additional people for the committee. They will go ahead and make the minor housekeeping changes. There was discussion of having the Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws on our website. Discussion ensued about the bylaws which involve more substantive changes.

Denny Erardi moved to take the changes to the bylaws item off of the agenda for this annual meeting and appoint a committee chaired by Karl Athow and Sue Behrens to review the bylaws, in general, and to go ahead and take care of the small housekeeping items, which will be bifurcated from the more substantive issues. The committee will have 12 months to propose changes to the bylaws, at which time each proposed change will be voted on by the members at the Annual Meeting. The motion was seconded by Jane Athow. Motion passed.

8. Update from Ad Hoc Committee on feasibility of New Courts. Nancy Townsend gave an update to the members on what the Ad Hoc Committee has done over the past year, since it was appointed. The full report is attached.

9. Annual Meeting/Picnic. In past years, the Annual Meeting/Picnic have been held on a Friday in mid-to-late August. Some members suggested that we move this to a Saturday. There was discussion on the topic. A vote was held at the meeting. 31 people voted to move the meeting next year to a Saturday, which was the majority. Randy will contact the City in order to reserve the pavilion on a Saturday next August.

10. 2025 Tournament Coordinator or Coordinators. We need people to step forward to run the tournament next summer. There are a lot of notes and materials for your use. A committee could be formed. It does not have to be just one person.

11. Memorial Day Food Tent Chairperson or Team of Members to Coordinate. Marita was the chairperson for the last two years. She is stepping down and would like to pass the torch to someone else. We had lots of volunteers help out this year. Marita has lots of notes and a thumb drive with a To Do List. She is willing to help the new chairperson. It usually runs from 9:00 to 2:00 or 9:00 to 3:00. You would start

coordinating in April. Please contact Marita or Jane Jones, if you are interested in helping out.

12. Recognition of Members. Thanks to the many members who have volunteered this past year. Thanks to:

Marita for her term on the Board, for running the brat sale, for her role in Winter Play, and Team Reach Administrator.

All of the people who set up the nets and take them down.

Brat sale - 26 volunteers.

Al Geiger - Provided all of the brats, thereby increasing our profits.

Barb and Tom Helmick and Marita for providing the drinks for the brat sale.

Jane Jones, Sue Behrens, and Jackie Bretl for hosting the after party for the brat sale volunteers.

ATP Camp - Lauri Gerlach and Karl Athow.

Monday Ladies Night - Danelle Seubert and Carol Suriano.

Lenora Moses - Maintaining the website for four years, updating the display case for three years, and ordering and selling T-shirts for eight years.

Court Maintenance - Randy, Bob Radzis, Tom Helmick, Tom Drymalski, and others.

Ad Hoc Committee (Denny Erardi, Lauri Gerlach, Nancy Townsend, Melody West, Jane Athow, Jane Jones), for all of their efforts this past year.

Everyone who helped at Cranberry Fest.

Nanne Simmonds, for donating the AED equipment.

Board Members.

Beginner Drills - Jane Jones, Mary Ehle, Lenora Moses, Nancy Townsend, Fred Young, and Steve Friebert.

Thanks to Sue Behrens, who is always making an effort to recruit volunteers to fill specific roles and/or tasks.

Thanks to Fred Young (our very first president back in 2011), and to Melody West, Al Geiger, Tom Helmick, and Gene Nackers as the Board members that incorporated the club in 2014 for the first time and established the bylaws.

Future Help Needed: In the beginning of October, when the weather turns bad, we will need volunteers to take down and store nets over the winter.

Cranberry Fest next October. Al Geiger is going to coordinate it. We will be bagging cranberries on Friday and selling them on Saturday. Will need volunteers.

If you have not volunteered in the past, please consider volunteering this next year. It is rewarding, fun, and you meet a lot of new people. Thanks to all of the new members who came to the meeting.

Adjournment. Barb Helmick made a motion for adjournment and Gary Carlton seconded the motion. Motion passed with unanimous approval.

Respectfully submitted,
Jane M. Jones, Secretary