

Recreation Committee Minutes
May 7, 2024, 3:30 PM

Attendees: Allen Bearman, Kate Johnson (Co-Chair), Donetta Kuhle, Melony Mack, Rob Mays, Connie Milne, Pat Plebani, Gary Stubbs, John Swann, Robert Tice (Board Liaison)

Connie Milne, Co-Chair, opened the meeting.

Donetta Kuhle agreed to be the scribe for this meeting.

This meeting was called primarily to review and discuss the Pickleball Court Sound Study Report (Report) provided by PSM LLC (Pickleball Sound Mitigation) and to make a decision regarding our recommendation to the West Neck Board. The Report was provided to the members prior to the meeting. Each committee member was given the opportunity to express their thoughts and concerns about the Report. Following that discussion, the Committee members in attendance unanimously agreed that the volume of sound should be amenable to properties surrounding the courts based on the information and sound mitigation recommendations provided by PSM.

The Committee also agreed that we should pursue several “next steps” to further confirm the viability of constructing courts in our community. Those steps are:

1. Contact the vendors listed in the Report for the sound barrier walls to determine the cost and possible wind issues. John Swann will contact the vendors.
2. Create and send a survey to our West Neck residents to determine the expected use of Pickleball courts. This survey will be sent via Enews using the survey tool available through our new website. Kate Johnson and Melony Mack will work with Deb Leedy (Web Administrator) to accomplish this. The Board will be given an opportunity to review the survey prior to it being administered.
3. Determine the cost of building the Pickleball courts. George Davis will contact Brett Campbell to reach out to his resources to obtain proposals.

Once these action items are completed, the Committee will be in a better position to make a final recommendation to the Board. The goal is to make a recommendation at the July 17, 2024, Board Meeting.

The Committee will provide an update to the Board at the May 15, 2024, meeting.

Kate Johnson agreed to assume Chairmanship of the Recreation Committee.