

Little Neck Swim and Racquet Club
Annual Meeting
October 16, 2006

The annual meeting of the membership of Little Neck Swim and Racquet was held on October 16, 2006 at the Clubhouse, pursuant to due notice as required by the Bylaws, with President Barbara Hudson presiding.

Board Members present were President Barbara Hudson, Vice President Carla Peay, Secretary Mavis McKenley, Treasurer Daryl Mitchell, At Large Members Bill Gill, and Bill Byrd. Carole Sharpe was not present due to surgery.

Call to order and opening remarks with updates and a welcome to the membership by Barbara Hudson. Barbara thanked the members for 25 years of volunteerism. She stated there were many accomplishments this year such as the hiring of the new Club Manager, guard CPO certifications, grants awarded, shrouds on courts, various tennis programs, and many youth activities. Barbara acknowledged many things that still need to be done, and highlighted many items on the wall.

Barbara recognized the outgoing board members. Carla Peay, has been Vice President for 4 years, Daryl Mitchell, the current treasurer, will be running for re-election, Bill Gill has been a member at large for 4 years, but will continue as the chair of swim, Bill Byrd has been a member at large on the board for 1 year.

Secretary's Report – Mavis McKenley

Emily Balke moved and Kevin Rack seconded, to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the prior annual meeting. Motion carried. Mavis McKenley stated the minutes from the prior annual meeting had been posted on the LNSRC website with no additions or corrections noted.

Grant Presentation - Diane Yates

Income received from the cell towers have been set aside for beautification projects for the Little Neck area. Civic leagues can present their proposals to the committee for consideration. This is an ongoing process. Redwood Farms, awarded \$300, will plant daffodils along the bike path. The group expects to plant 2000 bulbs starting at Little Neck Park to end at Sycamore. Kings Grant Civic club, awarded \$1000, will plant boundaries at the duck park on Kings Grant road to discourage the ducks. They will create garden areas 900 – 1000 square feet.

Presentation of Slate by Nominating Committee – Cyndi Jones

Cyndi announced the members of her committee and requested nominees give a short presentation.

Vice President – Emily Balke, Ken Inglesby, presented by Holly, and Steve Romine

Treasurer – Daryl Mitchell

At Large – Nancy Barbachem, Tim Green, Marty Houston, presented by Cyndi Jones, Kevin Stewart

Barbara requested if there were any nominations from the floor for the open positions. There were none. Mary Vance certified 391 regular members have been recorded. There were 40 members in attendance to constitute a quorum. Ballots were collected.

Presentation of Amended and Restated Bylaws proposal

Barbara Hudson presented the Amended and Restated Bylaws proposal. There was a discussion regarding Article IX Section 1 of the current Bylaws. The revision must be sponsored by a two-third (2/3) majority of the board or by at least 20 regular current dues paying members and be approved by fifty-one percent (51%) of the voting Regular Members in attendance or by proxy. Barbara stated 2/3 of the board sponsored the request for amendment and was submitted to secretary in March, and sent to the membership within the three week requirement. There is a quorum of at least 40 members per Article VII Section 4. Mike Barrett stated business should be conducted with 51% of the entire membership not 51% of membership in attendance. Barbara Hudson stated she met the requirement to post the amendments three weeks in advance by sending via email and regular mail, and the requirement to send out the meeting notice 30 days in advance was met as well. The website was updated, and it was posted on the boards outside of the club. Barbara stated if you do not show up then it allows for the club to continue with business without having 51% of the entire voting membership. Kevin Rack stated the board needs 51% of the entire membership to change bylaws. Barbara Hudson questioned quorum requirement, and stated if we reached the quorum requirement we would not need 51% of the entire membership. Amy Courtney mentioned as a previous board member she has reviewed the previous bylaws and the language has not changed. In 1998 ballots were handed out to change the language from 2/3 to 51%, 6 different changes separately and only 2 passed. The amendment to change to 51% majority from 2/3 was to make it easier. Barbara Hudson stated the board has been diligent in following the Bylaws and the interpretation of 51% present is correct. Tim Green stated the language supports Barbara Hudson's interpretation. Amy Courtney was on the Bylaws committee and stated because of a scrivener error there was litigation against the club. The Bylaws that are being presented to the membership was not created by the Bylaws committee. Amy Courtney moved and Kevin Rack seconded a motion to table the restated Bylaws and have the Bylaws committee revisit the proposed changes and present to the board. Discussion on motion ensued. Barbara Hudson discussed the timeline that led us to today. Mike Barrett stated the concern is not about the changes made to the Bylaws. He stated it is about the interpretation of the 51% voting rule. By allowing the changes to be made it allows a small amount of people to make changes. Barbara Hudson explained the proxy process. Bill Stewart stated in the past he had to go out and get the votes in order to obtain the 51% of the entire membership. Kevin Rack stated the Bylaws submitted are not the bylaws that were created by the bylaws committee. He reiterated the need to table the Bylaws revision. Barbara Hudson put forth the vote on the motion to table the Bylaws revision. Steve Romine stated the current bylaws have a 51% requirement and the proposed Bylaws have a 2/3 requirement. It appears we would be going backwards. The vote to table the Bylaws has been approved.

Mike Barbachem would like a summary of the amendments when they are presented again.

Brief Recess

Election of Officers

Treasurers Report – Daryl Mitchell

Statement of financial report provided by Goodman was handed out to membership. (Report attached) Staff Wages, Parties, and Repairs were up. We also renegotiated the long term debt from a variable rate to a fixed 7.75%. Emily Balke questioned whether the club reports on a calendar year. Daryl stated yes. Bill Stewart questioned why cell tower income was down. Daryl stated some deductions were made which have not been explained completely by T-Mobile. Talks are still in process. Kevin Stewart questioned if the funds for tennis courts are being paid from cash. Daryl Mitchell stated yes and it is kept liquid in a 2% checking account. Bill Stewart stated money market rates might be better. He also questioned the staff increase. Daryl Mitchell stated the club was fully staffed at the beginning of the year and then wages went up when manager resigned. Summer was dryer than most meaning more days for the pool to be open. When it rained, staff was kept on in case the club was able to reopen. The club opened earlier after swim team was over. The club also had better certified staffing with higher pay and more swimming lessons. Concessions had more items offered and more parties which required more staff. Bill Stewart questioned loss of \$8000 in snack bar. Barbara Hudson stated next year she might raise prices to offset. Amy Courtney stated there has been a profit in the years past. Amy also mentioned concerns over the handling of guest fees. There needs to be some sort of policy to adhere to. Guest fees had gone down last year and there has not been a tennis court guest sheet. Barbara Hudson stated we could not get everything done this past year, but it is on the list for next year. She also stated photo cards are being used to check members upon entry. Barbara would welcome suggestions from the membership to get it done. Revenue items were discussed. Barbara stated 15% of the TTF tournaments are being collected. Private swim lessons for next year will be assessed the 15% for the club. Tony and Narh's private lessons will be the same, but group lessons would be assessed 15%. If a non member is utilizing the service then a higher rate will be charged. Yoga and other fitness activities were charging 20% higher for non members. Kevin Dubois questioned the \$484 tennis expense and whether it included sweeping of the courts. He also questioned how often the guards are sweeping the courts. Barbara stated the new manager will be tasked with that duty. Mike Barrett stated staff needs to be informed that they are a LNSRC employee not a pool employee. Barbara Hudson stated the membership should help police as well for usage of the club by non members. There is a need for a committee to handle guest and non member usage. New lock has been in place with a code instead of a key. When dues are paid you will receive the new code. Roseanne Barrett questioned where the blower is kept. Barbara stated it is in shed. Ryan has cleaned the shed and the ball machine is in front. Tennis committee will stock ball machine. New trash cans that will hold used ball have been ordered. Amy Courtney stated that many members do not have young children still continue to support club. The older community is using the tennis courts and having

water on the courts is essential. When there is a short rain it would be nice to have the staff check the courts to ensure they are clean for patrons to play. VBTCC has been an alternative for many Little Neck residents.

Managers Report – Ryan Vaughn welcome

- New Locks bathroom on same key as rest of building
- Air Conditioning leaks have been fixed
- New White benches for the Tennis Courts have arrived. Still in the process of putting them together.
- Irrigation System to be fixed next week or as soon as the ground dries
- Tennis Court Construction to commence within the next 30 days if all goes according to plan. Ryan will be attending a seminar for maintenance training for 3 days on clay courts. Benches one still in the box.
- Wholes in ground call into Dominion

Tennis Report – Tony Benjumea

Tony mentioned new programs took place this year including a demo day with Prince Rackets. It will be an annual event. Lunch league is still active. The Men's Doubles has been changed to Monday nights, and they are working on a Women's Round Robin night. Some other events this year were a mixed doubles tournament against Greenbriar Country Club, Junior weekly round robins and monthly pizza parties. Tony wanted to thank Ann Marie Angola, and the board for their support. Barbara Hudson stated this is tennis time.

Recognition of Standing Committees and brief reports

Swim – Bill Gill

This was an excellent year with 270 swimmers over 30 from last year. There was an increase in coaches 8 for this year. The Dolphins have a 5 and 0 record at home and have won the divisional meet. 27 team records were set this year. Financially the team has \$12,000 in the bank with this year starting sponsorship. Electronic timing system will be the main purchase for next year. The club has hosted all stars each year. Kevin questioned whether the electronic timing will show on score board. Bill Gill stated each line costs and other possible sponsorship is available. Mike Barrett questioned whether the team anticipates keeping all the coaches. Bill stated the head coach will be back hopefully others will be back as well.

Membership – Mary Vance

Mary stated the club has 391 regular and 56 annual members. There have been more referrals this year. Mary also stated many have convert to regular from annual membership.

Rules Committee – Carole Sharpe (not in attendance)

Barbara Hudson stated the facility manual and the lifeguard manual were reviewed. The new directory did include rules.

Activities Committee - Vacant

Barbara informed the membership that this committee is vacant and is currently seeking volunteers. Jazz night was a hit with music on the lawn. The Battle of the bands would like to come back. Would like to bring back bridge night and poker night as well

Grounds Committee – Vacant

Jan Rice has done a great job. The board is looking for a volunteer.

Capital Improvements – Vacant

The board is looking for a volunteer for this committee as well.

Historian – Amy Courtney stated she was commissioned as historian. This is a committee to continue. Amy will continue to chair this committee. Holly Cuellar has volunteered to work on this committee along with Amy.

Old Business

Tennis court construction process started last July. The engineer gave us site plans to take to the city planning who then referred us to the development services center. A new plan was needed. It took a few months for review. December plan was disapproved. Change to conditional use permit needed on engineering side and there needed to be a resolution on open complaint with city on light spillage in Bishopsgate. Lighting now has shrouds that redirect to benefit neighborhood and lights will be turned off one hour earlier from November through March. In February second plan was submitted and presented before planning in May and city council in June, went back to DSC and were released in early August. Plan came with storm water management document requiring signatures from the original trustees from bank. Site plan is being reviewed with Ben Reynolds, who is doing courts. Rough grade meeting scheduled for Wednesday. Tree bids have been done waiting on stakes to know which trees to be taken down. The T Mobile power line across the field will be moved at their expense to 5 feet off the fence line 3 feet down. It will take 3 weeks for this process. Sidewalks will go in after courts. Ryan is taking a class to learn how to maintain the courts and the members will need training as well. Nets will be up when the courts are playable. Repairs and resurfacing are second part of tennis construction. Repairs will be done on 6, 5 and 4. Then resurface on 3 in fall and 1 and 2 in spring. Ben gave warnings about temperature necessary to resurface courts. Mike and Roseanne Barrett stated court two is slippery. Amy stated courts need to be cleaned thoroughly before resurfacing. The flower beds should not be right up to courts. Transformer questioned to move to take care of drainage problem. Bill questions budget and resurfacing being done. Daryl Mitchell stated the above was approved last year.

New Business

ABC license is in the process of being applied in order to be compliant. Even as a private club anything outside of your private residence is considered public. There needs to be a Banquet license for each event or a blanket ABC license in order to serve wine and beer. No margarita man unless members bring their own alcohol.

Cyndi Jones presented the election results:

Vice President- Ken Inglesby

Treasurer - Daryl Mitchell

Member at Large - Kevin Stewart

Motion to accept the next highest number of votes approved for additional

Member at Large - Nancy Barbachem

9:27 meeting adjourned

Respectfully Submitted: *Mavis McKenley*