

# Sun City Hilton Head Pickleball Club

## General Membership Meeting Minutes

Pinckney Hall Ballroom

November 9, 2023

**Call to Order:** Jim Paulbeck, President, called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

**Attendance:** 173 members.

The President presided over the following report to the membership:

### Club Financial Review:

	2023	2024
	Estimated	Projected
<b>Sources of Funds</b>		
Club Dues	\$ 17,100	\$ 32,000
Contribution from LCPC	11,600	12,000
Net Proceeds from Events	3,300	3,000
Referral	1,000	-
Shirt Sales	900	1,000
CD Interest	450	2,000
Total Sources of Funds	<u>34,350</u>	<u>50,000</u>
<b>Uses of Funds</b>		
Court Supplies	2,800	3,200
Ball Machine	1,500	
Miscellaneous	500	800
Projects:		
North Court Lights	-	45,000
North Court Shed	-	18,000
South Courts Shade	-	25,000
North & South Courts Padding	-	3,000
Total Uses of Funds	<u>4,800</u>	<u>95,000</u>
Net Increase (Decrease) in Funds	29,550	(45,000)
Cash Balance from Prior Year	<u>70,450</u>	<u>100,000</u>
<b>Projected Cash Balance End of Year</b>	<u><u>\$ 100,000</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 55,000</u></u>

### Projects:

The Community Association has budgeted no money for capital improvement projects for its coming fiscal year. As such, they continue to rebuff the Club's repeated requests to proceed with suggested improvement projects despite assurances the Club will contribute to project costs.

### Court Utilization:

During the second 2023 lottery pickleball court utilization was 70% and is planned to increase to 73% during the third 2023 lottery.

Despite repeated requests, Pulte has not provided any further details regarding pickleball amenities to be built in the Argent East section of Sun City, other than to say those facilities will only be available 18 to 24 months after breaking ground for amenities.

### Survey Review:

The President then reviewed a summary of the responses from the member survey conducted earlier this year. Small teams of members are being formed to address the following specific areas of concern most noted in the survey responses:

- Training/Clinics
- Lottery procedures
- Open Time organization
- Communication with members via web site and email

### **Upcoming activities:**

Referring to the list of upcoming Club events, the President strongly emphasized the need for volunteers to assist in their successful completion:

- Low Country Classic
- League play
- Pickleball training
- Communication / Website
- Spreadsheet management
- Two events are being planned before year-end:
  - Drink and Dink and
  - Mingle and Jingle.

### **Vote Results**

The results of the Club's recent elections were announced:

- Vice President - Sandy Donaldson
- Treasurer - Doug Findlay
- Member at Large – Stan Burzacki

### **Questions from the floor:**

Q 1 Pickle Tennis SIG: A member requested equal lottery access for Pickle Tennis enthusiasts.

Response: In 2018 The Pickleball Club Membership voted to accept Pickle Tennis as a Special Interest Group. Prior to that, they were an independent club with no access to the lottery process since the pickleball court schedule is controlled by the Pickleball Club per the Community Association Clubs and Groups Bylaws. From the Pickleball Club general membership meeting minutes from 8/23/2018:

For the pickle tennis club to be a SIG of the pickleball club,

- they would dissolve their club,
- pay dues to our club,
- submit their membership list to us,
- have second choice in the Court Lottery from the remaining courts.

Pickleball Club would still control the courts and the existence of the SIG.

After much discussion, it was approved unanimously that Pickle-Tennis will now be a SIG of the Pickleball Club.

Q2: Court Utilization: Can't anything be done about "no shows" wasting court time.

Response: A subcommittee is being created to look for a solution.

Q3: Projects: Project costs appear high. Is an \$18k shed a prudent use of Club funds?

Response: Projects are expensive as they need to be commercial grade solutions that frequently include code requirements.

Q4: Non-residents: Does the Club have a policy on non-residents being invited to use Sun City courts.

Response: Currently there is no policy for this area. There is a subcommittee that is currently reviewing the need for a policy and its requirements.

### **Adjournment:**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.