



**Hershey's Mill Sports Committee Meeting  
10/16/2023 @ 1:00 via Zoom**

**Attendees:** MaryAnn DeFalco, Jack Hamilton, Sherry Kane, Dave Nagurney

**Meeting Minutes Approval:** Minutes from 9/18/23 were approved and will be posted on the web.

**Treasurer's report:** Dave (pinch hitting for Lynn who was traveling) reported that as of September 30, the HMS checkbook balance was \$12,221.51 and the bowling account balance was \$355.00 for a grand total of \$12,576.51.

**Old Business:**

- **Pig Roast Recap** – Sherry reported that the Pig Roast was a huge success. The event was sold out within 24 hours of the announcement. A question arose as to how to handle the \$900 overage (from donations). Should it be applied to next year's pig roast or used in the general funds? It was agreed that it will be reviewed at the next meeting.
- **Chairs for Pickleball Update** – Sherry reported that while the price for the 16 chairs was excellent (\$187 each, wholesale, on sale for \$132 each while the retail price is \$530 each), some issues have popped up. They come in boxes of 4 chairs and we ordered 16 chairs (4 boxes with 4 chairs each) and we got 1 box with 4 chairs. Sherry is working on them and will have a further report at the next meeting.
- **Name Tag Update** – Sherry has applied for a grant from the HMCTV Foundation to provide a free name tag to all new Hershey's Mill residents starting in 2024. She and Carroll will run a name tag campaign for existing residents to finish out 2023. The cost of the name tags is now \$11 each.
- **All Residents Meeting Recap** – Dave reported that the meeting went well. A few residents mentioned that the meeting was too long and a number of attendees left the meeting early. It was agreed that the All Residents meetings in the future will be limited to one hour. A discussion took place regarding the possibility of hybrid meetings (live and zoomed) in the future. Everyone agreed that future meetings should be in person.
- **Sports Injuries Seminar and Clinics** – On October 4, Dr. Andrew Taylor of Kinetic Physical Therapy in West Chester gave an excellent seminar on that topic. It was followed by free 15 minute clinics for HM residents. The emphasis was on injuries from Pickleball. Attendance at the seminar and clinic participation were smaller than expected.

- Pedego E-Bike Future Demonstration – Jack reported that Pedego is interested in holding an E-Bike demonstration and test rides at Hershey’s Mill in the spring. E-Bikes continue to increase in popularity with senior riders. And they are particularly helpful on hilly terrain. The projected spring event will mark Pedego’s 4<sup>th</sup> visit to HM.
- AED Signs and First Aid Kits – Dave reported that he has placed signs in the Sports Complex directing residents to the AED in the Cove. The signs will be of great importance in the event of an emergency. First Aid Kits and signs are now located in the shed under the Pickleball pavilion as well as in the shed near the bocce and shuffleboard courts.
- Wheelchair in Cove – Dave reported that a wheelchair was borrowed from the pool (thank you Mike) is available for resident’s use. The wheelchair is located in the closet in the Cove and locked with a cable lock when the pool is closed and will return to the pool Manager’s office during the summer. The combination to the lock is the last 4 digits of Dave’s cell number.

#### **New Business:**

- New Committee Member – Dave reported that Bob Gottschall has resigned from HMSC. Dave thanked Bob for his years of service. Jack Bradley has agreed to accept our invite and join the HMSC. Jack has been assisting at the holiday sports events. In addition to setting up and taking down tables and chairs, Jack has also helped provide water for all three events this past summer. Jack is a welcome addition as leader of Facilities.

#### **Facilities:**

- Paddle Courts Lighting – Dave reported that George Earle is getting proposals for lighting. A cost analysis will be done which will include number of participants of Paddle and the interest in night play. Dave is capturing daily open play counts, clinic attendance and will poll the active players on their interest in night play.
- Pickleball Court Repair – Jack reported that work is currently in progress to repair 3 “dead spots”. The affected areas are being cut open, filled with concrete, topped with a rubberized material, sanded and painted. It is expected that the work will be completed in about a week.
- Winterize Bocce and Shuffleboard Awnings – Dave said he will work with George Earle and Jack Bradley to winterize the awnings so we can protect them from the winter conditions and extend their life.

#### **Dates:**

1. 10/26/23 -- 9:30 and 11:30 CPR/AED Classes in CC/Wooldridge Hall

2. 11/20/23 – 1:00 to 3:00 Next HMSC Meeting via Zoom