



## Hershey's Mill Sports Committee Meeting Minutes 9/16/2024 via Zoom

**Attendees:** Jack Bradley, MaryAnn DeFalco, George Earle, Jack Hamilton, Sherry Kane, Lynn Mander, Dave Nagurney.

**Meeting Minutes Approval:** Meeting minutes from 8/19/24 were approved and will be posted on the web.

**Treasurer's report:** Lynn reported that as of August 31, 2024 the HMS checkbook balance was \$13,537.56 and the bowling account balance was \$1,070.06 for a grand total of \$14,607.62.

### Old Business:

- Labor Day Festivities Review – It was agreed that the Labor Day Festivities were a huge success. Championed by MaryAnn, the day began with a Continental breakfast featuring an assortment of bagels, muffins, sticky buns, fruit and orange juice. Next came the ever-popular Bake Contest with a record 15 entries. Winners received their prizes and residents later enjoyed the goodies. Raffle items included 3 sets of patio themed entertaining items generously donated by Bill Davis and Jane Hellen of Keller Williams Real Estate Brandywine Valley. Lunch followed which included wraps, hoagies and salads. Over 250 residents enjoyed the festivities. The spring water was also donated by Bill and Jane and the event was sponsored by Wellington. Much discussion followed about the possibility of the Master Association sponsoring the 3 holiday events in the future since it has escalated into events for all Hershey Mill residents. While the HMSC welcomes all and is extremely happy that so many residents are attending, the work load becomes more and more difficult to handle by the committee members, their families and friends. We will continue to discuss in future meetings for 2025. Ideas included:
  1. Asking for volunteers from Village social committees
  2. Staging and pricing the event similar to the Pig Roast including all food catered and delivered, hired help for serving, limit number, RSVP with pre-pay.

- Tai Chi Lesson Update – Jack H. reported that his meeting with April on August 20<sup>th</sup> went very well. He explained to April that no Hershey’s Mill resident can profit from any activity taking place on Hershey’s Mill property. Jack explained to April that the Tai Chi lessons could be performed in her home, on her deck or in her basement. A participant had already volunteered her basement, so April was going to see if it was still available. Since Jack has heard nothing since, he believes that is what has happened.
- Village Green Pavilion (VGP) Update – George reported that the Master Association voted on the location for the VGP. The result was that the pavilion will be built behind the bocce and shuffleboard courts. Three bids were received for the project. The pavilion will include water and electrical outlets. Construction will begin in October and the project is expected to be completed before winter.
- Fall CPR Class(es) Logistics – MaryAnn reported that the CPR Class(es) will be held October 22 in the Community Center. After Sherry sends out the announcement in Hershey’s Mill News, those residents interested in attending will determine whether there will be one or two classes held that day.
- Pig & Chicken Roast Review – Sherry reported that Friday, September 13<sup>th</sup> was a beautiful afternoon and evening for the 4<sup>th</sup> annual Pig & Chicken Roast. 150 residents attended and reservations were made within a day from the time the tickets were available. The Pig and Chicken were cooked in Lancaster County, portioned and brought to the Mill. Resident volunteers and the staff served the Pig and Chicken along with pasta salad, potato salad and Cole slaw. Delicious bundt cakes were enjoyed for dessert. While the DJ played, strangers became friends at the Community Table. The Pig & Chicken Roast was sponsored by: Estate Brandywine Valley, HMCTV Grant Foundation and Kinetic Physical Therapy of West Chester. Spring water and beautiful raffle items were generously provided by Bill Davis and Jane Hellen of Keller Williams Real Estate Brandywine Valley. Special thanks to Sherry and Carroll Thompson for making this event a great success.
- Bowling Debit Card – Lynn led a discussion about the use of a debit card for payment of the lane fees. It was agreed that two HM residents will hold the debit cards. Jeff Taylor and Bill Vasquez will be the signatories to the checking account and debit card. Weekly lane fees are now over \$1,000 to pay for the 96+ people in the bowling league. The By-Laws will need to be revised and updated to reflect the new parameters for bowling. Lynn also reported that 90% of the members are residents and the remaining are predominately Golf Club social members.

## **New Business:**

- Woodshop Donation – Dave reported that the Hershey’s Mill Woodshop voted to donate \$1,000 to the Hershey’s Mill Sports Committee. (Dave & Jack recused themselves from the vote.)
- All Residents Fall Sports Meeting – Following a discussion, it was decided that there will be no in person All Residents Fall Sports Meeting this year. Attendance at the Spring Meeting was very light (2 non-leaders), it was agreed that the residents will be better served by a Hershey’s Mill News report sent in HM News as a surrogate to presentation format. We agreed that we would do in person meeting in the Spring and re-evaluate the best format for the future. Lynn will contact all sports leaders asking for highlights of their programs in the year as well as their plans going forward. Dave will compile an overview and integrate the Leaders comments. Once approved, it will be sent to all HM residents and will also solicit comments, feedback and questions.
- Furniture for the Pavilion – Dave asked the two Jacks to research suppliers of chairs and tables as well as picnic benches that will be appropriate for the soon-to-be-constructed pavilion and the Village Green grounds. The Jacks will report their findings at the next HMSC meeting.
- Sports Guest Policy – A discussion took place regarding the current Sports Guest Policy. Jack H read a couple of suggested changes. The concern is that a person wants to turn the sports venues into a surrogate country club. The spirit of the guest policy is to encourage family and friends of residents to occasionally share the sport facilities. It is not intended to allow one person to take over or dominate the facilities with weekly play by outside people. We must respect the fact that residents pay for the upkeep of the shared resources. We must also not oversteer and create more issues for use of the facilities and the ability to enforce those rules. It was decided to discuss the matter further at the next HMSC meeting.

## **Requests:**

Pickleball—25 Instant Ice Cold Packs - \$21.95 - Approved Unanimously.

## **Dates:**

1. 10/8/24 – 10:00 - 1:00 Wooldridge Hall - Low Back Pain Seminar & Clinics – Dr. Andrew Taylor of Kinetic Physical Therapy
2. 10/21/24 – 1:00 via Zoom Next HMSC Meeting

3. 10/22/24 – 10:00 - 1:00 Fall CPR Class(es) – Community Center

Meeting Adjourned at 3:35 PM