

**Ad Hoc Tennis Committee Meeting
Thursday, October 10, 2019 Minutes
Blue Room, The Pavilion, Harbor Island Park**

Attendees:

- Committee Members: Sally Cantwell, Jeff Carpenter, Manny Enes, Martin Oppenheimer, Barbara Werber. (Absent: Jeff Harwin, Rhett Thurman)
- (Absent: Kelly Wenstrup, Liaison to the Board of Trustees)
- Senior Recreation Leader: Jason Pinto
- General Park Foreman: Barry Casterella
- Village Residents: Sal Behar

The next meeting will be held Monday, October 21 at 7pm in the VOM courtroom.

1. Minutes from the September 25, 2019 meeting were approved.
2. Jason Pinto distributed and presented materials detailing the VOM/Sportime 2019 Harbor Island parking agreement details and statistics for the period from 5/31/19 to 9/2/19.
Summary: Sportime paid \$12,000 for the terms specified in the 2019 agreement. This was an increase from the prior two years when Sportime paid around \$2,500-3,000 (estimated). 304 15-minute temporary parking passes were issued (for drop-offs) and 1,792 4-hour parking passes were issued. This accounted for 16.8% total POS transactions over the 95 days.
3. It was noted that the statistics collected for Sportime parking do not capture usage of the courts by residents who have separate Harbor Island Parking Permits issued for seniors, boat/kayak permits, etc. They also don't capture usage for residents walking to and from Harbor Island Park.
4. Jason reviewed the free Youth Tennis Clinics offered to residents outdoors over July - August, and the upcoming free Adult and Youth Tennis Clinics that will be offered to residents from November - June. The VOM is advertising these through its website, email blasts and social media. Flyers were created and made available.
5. The courts and shed (clubhouse) are fully maintained by Sportime. VOM staff are not involved in the maintenance.
6. Jason/Barry mentioned there was a lawsuit involving the run-off of clay from the courts, and now a pump is used to correct the situation. Sportime employees stay overnight when needed due to the weather to maintain the courts. Barry mentioned there is now more run off from the baseball field than the tennis courts.
7. The VOM does not offer tennis programs. The courts at Florence Park and Warren Ave are in passive parks without dedicated parking, and thus tennis

programs are not feasible. Jason has run basic tennis programs in his career, but nothing under a bubble. He is interested in giving the Village rec department an opportunity to run tennis programs in Harbor Island Park. The extra hard court is a possibility for this. He expressed an interest in converting the hard court to dual usage with basketball.

8. The site at Taylors Lane off Post Road is not suitable for a bubble or indoor facility because of a containment cap 2 feet down.
9. The condition of the shed (clubhouse) was discussed. The upcoming RFP could include proposals for making the building more attractive.
10. Surveys were discussed. The children of a VOM resident surveyed tennis players at Sportime last Spring. The committee will reach out to the resident to get the results. Future surveys should be organized to collect information regarding tennis usage preferences, including court surface, inside vs outside tennis, etc.
11. The Village Engineer Hernane De Almeida will be invited to attend the next meeting.
12. Thomas DeRosa of DeRosa Sports Construction (based in Mamaroneck) will be invited to attend the next meeting.
13. For an upcoming meeting, a representative from Sportime will be invited to discuss the maintenance of the facilities.