

MALTON TENNIS CLUB

**Minutes of the Annual Meeting
held on
Wednesday, September 29, 2021
on Court One
Paul Coffey Park, Mississauga**

There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m.

1. MINUTES OF LAST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

On motion duly made by Jenny Chin and seconded by Mary Shaw, it was unanimously agreed that the minutes of the last Annual Meeting held on September 23, 2020 be approved.

2. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no matters arising.

3. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The President stated his appreciation of the various functions performed by the Executive particularly the Secretary for her efforts in taking on the position of on-line registrar for the second year.

He continued by thanking Faith for keeping the Club's finances in order, Mary for regular updates to the website which was proving to be a very valuable asset, Jenny and Ana for site support and a big thank you to Khamraj for his work installing windscreens and maintenance in general which is invaluable. At this point, the Secretary expressed a wish to thank Raymond for his 15 years as President of the Malton Tennis Club, and congratulated him on bringing the Club forward in that time. This announcement was met with applause from the membership.

The President continued that 2022 would bring further struggles especially with the situation relating to the new courts which was not finalized but would be discussed under Any Other Business. It was noted that the City had not been particularly forthcoming with updates on the new courts. However, Councillor Carolyn Parrish had suggested that a list of 'wants' be compiled and sent to her with a view to accelerating the process.

It was hoped that programs such as House League, Tournaments, InterCounty League could be reinstated in 2022 including, and most importantly, a Junior Program as we needed to build our membership and offer programs that would interest new and existing members.

He concluded his report by stating that our membership had increased slightly, with total membership amounting to 109 with 89 in the adult/senior/student categories and 20 juniors. We were hopeful that this trend would continue. Two Open Houses had been held in August which had proved relatively effective although no new members had joined at the time. Open Houses were held on Wednesday, August 4 from 6 to 9 p.m. and Saturday, August 28 from 10 to 1 p.m.

4. TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer, Faith Shephard, presented the financial report, stating revenue and expenses for the 2021 season. Acceptance of the report was proposed by Jenny Chin, seconded by Khamraj Balkissoon and approved by the membership.

5. PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

The Secretary tabled a proposed amendment to the Constitution with respect to dividing the duties of Treasurer/Registrar wherein the position of Treasurer will handle all cash/cheque related transactions, including Bank deposits, payment of invoices and other expenses. The Treasurer would also be responsible for submitting a financial statement of income and expenses at the Annual Meeting (to include any financial assistance provided by the City of Mississauga throughout the year, if applicable.)

The position of Registrar will be to handle the electronic aspects of transactions relating to membership fees and to deposit such to the Club's Bank account.

If required, both Treasurer and Registrar will respond to queries, if any, and advise new/returning members of any changes to the ByLaws and ensure new members have signed the Club's Code of Conduct form.

Acceptance of this change to the Constitution was proposed by Chris Butt, seconded by Khamraj Balkissoon and approved by the majority of members present, with one abstention.

6. ELECTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR 2022

On motion duly made by Chris Butt, seconded by Khamraj Balkissoon and approved by members present, the current Board of Directors were reelected to office for the 2022 season with the addition of Mary Shaw as Registrar. It was noted that the position of Junior Program Coordinators filled by Shane Buhong and Fontayne Buhong in 2020 would be assisted by Froilan Dela Cruz in 2022.

President	Raymond Mahadeo
Vice President	Jennifer Chin
Treasurer	Faith Shephard
Registrar	Mary Shaw
Secretary	Sandie Kilian
Director	Ana Quintanilla

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

(a) Update on Relocation of Courts

The President stated that it continued to be a struggle to obtain up-to-date information from the City however, we were aware that due to the current on-going pandemic, much time had been lost in the completion of the court area. It was expected that the new courts would be ready for use in 2022 however the Club had not received any responses to the many questions asked. The President continued that at the official opening of the Basketball courts earlier in September, he had had an opportunity to speak with Councillor Carolyn Parrish who suggested that she be provided with an email detailing our concerns and a wish list of our requirements and stated that she would try to assist the Club.

The President continued that he had sent many messages to the City representative, requesting updates, a timeline for completion, etc. but had not received any response. He would however continue to request updates. He felt that to be active in the Community, the Club needed to convince the City that we were a viable and necessary attribute and needed to offer some facilities other than four lighted courts. Disappointment was voiced that the Club had had no involvement in the location, structure or any aspect of the construction of the new courts.

The Club appreciated the fact that the City was funding the entire construction of the new courts but the loss of the Club House and no definite answers as to storage areas, installation of benches

etc. was a major concern. It had also been a concern for some members that the new courts would be public courts but there was no indication that this was part of the plan and it was expected that the Club would continue as before with sole use of the new courts.

The addition of Pickleball Ball court markings was discussed and it was mentioned that this was a definite possibility as Pickleball was becoming more popular and would probably increase our membership. Some members voiced skepticism that this would not be an easy transition. It was suggested that not all courts would be deemed dual purpose however scheduling Pickleball time versus Tennis time was yet to be determined. The apportioning of time between Tennis and Pickleball would require marshalling and court rules would have to be followed.

The question was also raised as to whether a drinking water fountain would be installed somewhere close by as it was felt this would be a benefit for basketball, tennis and bocce players and partially eliminate the use of plastic water bottles.

It was noted that the Arena offered many facilities, although not particularly convenient as far as meeting rooms, storage facilities were concerned. It was not known whether these facilities were chargeable or otherwise. The Club's affiliation with the City of Mississauga included use of Community Centre facilities as an option for meetings, registrations etc. (on a request basis) but there had been no history of use in the past.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7:45 p.m.