Members Attending
Joy Wolf, Chair
Pam Perry, Co-Chair
Dick Foster, Secretary
Mary Abbruzzese, Member
Jill Pozarek, Member
Sue Rector, Member
Bettye Smith, Member

Management Present
Denise Payton, River Club Manager
Charles Sandomenico, Tennis & Fitness Director

Members Absent
None

1. Call to Order
Meeting was called to order at 2:01 pm

2. Establish Quorum
Quorum was established; all 7 committee members were present.

3. Public Comments
Ann Wright, a member of the 3.0 tennis teams, asked about follow-up meeting regarding Tri-Cities Interclub team. Mr. Sandomenico reported that the meeting had been canceled, but he did contact four other tennis pros via email. Only one pro has responded so far. However, Mr. Sandomenico indicated that he expects to start 2.5-3.0 Interclub matches in the November timeframe. Day, time and frequency are undecided currently.

Fern Hoffman requested that Mr. Sandomenico (instead of team captain) determine the lineup for the 3.5 Tri-Cities league matches. Ms. Hoffman expressed concern about the number of times she played. Pam Perry, the 3.5 Tri-Cities captain, said she (Ms. Perry) played less than Ms. Hoffman. Action item: Mr. Sandomenico will survey other clubs in the area to understand how they handle this process.

Roger Quinn presented a list about several issues with the tennis courts. He had met with Ms. Payton to discuss these issues in November 2018. He said that all approved furnishings have not been completed at the tennis court gathering area, which was started in 2017. Action item: Ms. Payton will review if/how the gathering area can be expanded to accommodate additional furnishings.

Mr. Quinn also discussed poor court conditions including dead spots on the courts and poor drainage. Ms. Payton said that an expert has evaluated the tennis courts two years ago...
and indicated that dead spots are a known issue with the type of watering system installed. **Action item:** Starting in June the tennis staff will adjust the frequency of watering to evaluate if dead spots can be reduced. Tamping dead spots is another method used to fix dead spots. Patching dead spot areas was also discussed.

Pat Appolonia asked how often the rolling machine is used on the tennis courts. Mr. Sandomenico said each tennis court is rolled monthly. If rolled too often, the courts become too hard according to Mr. Sandomenico.

Alan Lands asked about the best way to communicate dead spots to the tennis staff. **Action item:** Mr. Sandomenico will evaluate the best way to mark/communicate dead spots and will notify tennis players. Mr. Lands also complained that it’s too loud and annoying when landscapers are mowing and using blowers during matches, especially during matches with teams from other clubs. **Action item:** Ms. Payton will discuss the landscaper issue with the CDD field manager. Another issue is debris on the courts – mulch, leaves, lava rocks, etc. Mr. Lands also requested sweeping courts twice a day.

**Action item:** Ms. Wolf asked Mr. Sandomenico to create a written action plan by the June committee meeting to address the tennis court issues mentioned by residents at this meeting, including the possibility of having an outside expert assess the issues.

4. Additions and Adjustments to Agenda

Meeting agenda was reviewed, and additions made.

5. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

After noting corrections, Joy Wolf moved, and Bettye Smith seconded to approve the April 1, 2019 committee meeting minutes as corrected. Motion passed.

6. Next VCDD Board Meeting Representation

Bettye Smith agreed to represent the Recreational Committee at the May 27 VCDD Board meeting, if the VCCD meets that day.

7. Old Business

A. Tennis Directory Supplement – I’m Looking for a Game Directory

Creation of a new “I’m Looking for a Game” online directory is moving forward. An email blast has been sent to all residents explaining the new directory and requesting participation. So far 64 residents have responded. Mr. Sandomenico says the directory will be completed in October 2019.

Some committee members are not receiving the Tennis Tuesday and Fitness Friday emails. **Action item:** Ms. Payton and Mr. Sandomenico will review the list used to
distribute Tennis Tuesday and Fitness Friday emails to ensure the emails are sent to all residents.

B. Establishment of New 3.0 Tennis League

Mr. Sandomenico has received response from one of four local tennis pros regarding a new 3.0 tennis league. Some players are not getting enough play time in current league play so evaluating the need to start another inter-club league to start in parallel with the Tri-Cities League in October. Action item: Mr. Sandomenico will continue to get input from other tennis pros in the area. Bettye Smith is the committee liaison to work with Mr. Sandomenico.

C. Follow-up on April 22 VCDD Meeting Discussion

Joy Wolf presented committee activities and recommendation at the April 22, 2019 VCDD Board meeting. She presented recommendations for replacing gym equipment ($54,992) and new flooring ($5,565.99) in the gym. These items are included in the River Club Reserve, which has recently been updated. Mr. Lusty said that last year the River Club Renovation Committee did not feel the carpet in gym needed to be replaced. Joy indicated our concern about microbes and sweat in the carpeting that annual shampooing does not remove adequately. There was confusion by the VCDD board members about the two proposals for the new flooring. The FitRev proposal was for materials and the Zonum proposal was for installation. However, the installation proposal contained wording that some board members interpreted as including both materials and installation, and they requested that the proposal wording be clarified. Also, both proposals need to be addressed to the VCDD Board of Supervisors. Action item: Mr. Sandomenico to obtain revised proposals addressing these issues.

VCDD Board of Supervisors reminded all committee representatives that they are advisory committees and they need to “stay in their lanes” as defined by each committee’s mission statement. Also, committees can make requests of staff members, but they cannot direct staff members.

D. Weight Equipment Recommendations for Fitness Center

Joy Wolf discussed the proposed Precore Discovery series equipment, which are designed for a single exercise. The Precore Vitality series includes dual exercise equipment. Should we consider the Vitality series instead of (or in combination with) the Discovery series? This could reduce the cost and reduce the floor space required. Also need to consider which equipment is most popular when deciding between single and dual use equipment. Action item: Mr. Sandomenico to discuss this with the equipment representative and ask the rep to present at our June committee meeting.
8. New Business

A. Tennis Survey

Reviewed an old tennis survey. Discussion of whether to send new tennis survey to all residents or just to tennis players. The recent pool and fitness survey was sent to all residents, and it was a two-part survey with some questions for those who use pool and/or fitness center and a different set of questions for those who do not use the pool or fitness center. Agreed to send survey to all residents. Purpose of survey is to understand what we are doing well, where improvements are needed, and are there additional things needed. Mary Abbruzzese is working with Mr. Sandomenico to create survey questions. **Action item:** Committee members should send suggestions to Mary Abbruzzese and Mr. Sandomenico.

**Action item:** Goal is to review draft of the tennis survey at the August committee meeting. November 1 is the target date to email the final survey to all residents. Discussion about posting the survey on the River Club website in addition to sending emails.

B. Fitness and Tennis Budget

Ms. Payton reviewed status of the current fitness and tennis budget (October 2018-September 2019). A lively discussion ensued. Overall, expenses are currently in line with both tennis and fitness budgets. Budget for new classes has been included in proposed budget for next year. **Action item:** Ms. Payton to provide electronic version of the updated River Club Reserve Study to the committee.

C. Action Item Checklist

Pam Perry expressed desire for a committee action item checklist to keep track of action items closed and still open. Joy Wolf explained that she keeps track of open items by reviewing the previous meeting minutes when creating each month’s meeting agenda. Ms. Payton commented that another benefit of such a checklist would be to easily identify accomplishments of the committee. Some items are ongoing topics and others are unfinished topics that need resolution/action. Discussion ensued. **Action item:** Pam Perry agreed to initiate a committee action item checklist.

D. Golf Cart Usage

Discussion of golf carts on the tennis courts. At times, the staff needs the golf cart to transport heavy items for maintenance. **Action item:** Mr. Sandomenico will discuss with staff about excessive golf cart travel on the tennis courts.

E. More Tennis Information Needed on River Club Website

Jill Pozarek discussed the need for more tennis information on the River Club website. New residents have difficulty finding information about how to get involved with tennis activities. For example, there is a Tennis Calendar on the website, but it does not include any tennis activities. No information about tennis leagues is available or how to participate in them.
Action item: Discuss suggestions at next committee meeting and Jill Pozarek will bring her list of suggested changes.

9. Manager's Reports

A. River Club Manager, Ms. Payton
   1. Reconfigured layout of bike racks between the tennis courts and pool, none removed. Also considering purchase of an additional bike rack.
   2. New lines added for golf cart parking spaces between the tennis courts and pool.
   4. Discussed updated River Club Reserve Study, which will be reviewed at upcoming VCDD Board meeting.

B. Tennis and Fitness Director, Mr. Sandomenico
   1. Tennis courts were very busy in April. No courts were available during prime-time hours on seven days in April, which is an increase over previous months.
   2. Reported fiscal year-to-date tennis fees collected.
   3. Reviewed participation in fitness classes during April. Summer fitness class schedule with reduction of classes will start May 20.

10. VCDD Liaison’s Report: No report this month.

11. Next meeting: Next meeting to be held on June 3, 2019. (Note: that meeting was canceled due to lack of a quorum.)

12. Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 4:30 pm.

Minutes submitted by Dick Foster, secretary.