

Elmdale Board Meeting

July 30, 2024

Attending: Dean Purdon (president), Oliver Saner (treasurer). Chris Cobb (Gen Sec.), Ted Cohen, Beth Fleming (Manager).

Via Zoom: Barbara Fischer and Catherine Wood (vice-president).

Apologies: Paul Cormack

Meeting opened: 7.30 p.m.

Refurbishing of Club grounds at the Fisher Park boundary.

The President reported that work is underway on the practice wall demolition and related refurbishing of the area around the wall. The project includes new asphalt paving, new fencing between the club and Fisher Park, re-planting of trees, a new equipment shed and a new practice wall.

The President reported that the work is being carried out by City-approved contractors and after close consideration of several bids. The estimated cost to the club will be approximately \$72,000. The estimated cost to the City will be approximately \$43,000, including the cost of replacing the trees unavoidably lost during the project.

The Board voted unanimously to approve the spending.

Ontario Not-for-Profit Corporations Act (ONCA).

Elmdale Tennis Club is obliged to adhere to a new set of provincial regulations governing not-for-profit organizations. This means significant changes to our bylaws.

Ted Cohen, Elmdale's lead on this matter, with the help of an outside lawyer, drafted a set of bylaws to which the club must adhere by October. While Elmdale specific, the new bylaws are faithful to the wording of the legislation. The board agreed that members receive a copy of the bylaws in advance of the AGM on September 28. The lawyer will be present at the AGM to explain the changes and answer any questions.

The Board approved unanimously to adopt the new ONCA regulations.

New faces in the fall

It's usual that Elmdale loses staff members at the beginning of September when university and college terms resume. The Manager reported that she is in the final stages of interviewing replacement candidates to ensure a smooth transition from post-Labour Day to season's end.

Treasurer Update

Changes made with TD accounts to ensure dual approval is required. New ATM cards were created for Oliver & Dean. 2024 Audit is in progress with target completion in time for AGM Sept.28th

Ottawa Tennis Association

Elmdale's membership in the Ottawa Tennis Association. As part of our OTA membership, a doubles clinic for all members will be held later in August.

The Board meeting concluded at 8.45 p.m.