GLOSSOP TENNIS CLUB

Minutes of committee meeting

Tuesday 3rd November 2020

- 1. **Attendance**: Marcus Gill [chair], Val Oakley, Graham Oakley, Ian Higginbottom, Mike Pocock, Jon Horlock.
- 2. Apologies: Ben Sharp, Andy Millican, Andrey Mirzoyan, Nigel Hunter
- 3. **Minutes** of the last meeting were agreed as a true record and there were no matters arising.
- 4. **Security**. Marcus reminded everyone of the problems with the gate lock, which has now gone missing. A new one has been purchased for £32 but there is no guarantee that this one will last any longer. Marcus had researched keypad locks. An electrical one would be around £700. A mechanical one as used by several other clubs would cost in the region of £300 fitted. It was agreed that **Jon and Ian** would look into the purchase of such a lock and its fitting. There was discussion about the purchase of a security camera system. It was agreed that **Ian** would buy a system from Costco for around £300. This would have 2 cameras to cover the main room and the exterior towards the main gate.
- 5. Court maintenance. Two tons of sand are stacked ready to put on the courts but dry courts are needed. Marcus to contact Dragon Courts to say that the forecast is dry for the next few days. It was noted that the club hold this firm in high regard and that we should offer to pay the cost of the sand soon if weather prevents them spreading it.
- 6. Lighting. Marcus told the committee that he believes that having lighting on all 4 courts is the way forward for the club. The coaching staff have indicated that they agree that this would help their operation. Graham to sound out HPBC planning dept. about planning permission possibilities and costs. Marcus had researched two possible schemes involving lights that can be dismantled. It was agreed to fully explore the lighting of the bottom courts, Marcus to see if possible to visit a club that has them installed.
- 7. **Covid**. From Thursday the club would be closed owing to the 2nd round of lockdown.
- 8. **AGM.** This would be on 26th November by Zoom. Jon has Professional Zoom, so there would be no time restrictions. It will be announced by email, and on the club's facebook page and website.

9. AOB.

- A] Ian reported that to regularly replace the court lighting lamps would be expensive, each lamp costing £83. After discussion it was decided to revisit the issue before next winter.
- B] Mike reported that, having paid for court repairs, the bank balance was still a healthy £27,000. Accounts were being prepared for the Directors and the AGM.

Marcus added that we would need to discuss membership rates again in the light of another forced closure.

- C] Mike suggested that the website needs a review and indicated a number of things needing refreshing, looking at it from an outsiders viewpoint. **Marcus** to look at it.
- D] Val considered that it was unlikely that winter league matches would be played any time soon.
- E] There was now a racquet stringing machine at the club and Dean was the person to contact.

Meeting concluded at 8.15pm.