Minutes of Longthorpe Lawn Tennis Committee Meeting Tuesday 13th March 2018, 7.00 pm at the Clubhouse

Present: Ken Wappat (KW) Clare Major (CM) Toni Butcher (TB)

Keith Madeiros (KM) Mike Glover (MG) JP Lamy (JPL)

Angie Axe (AA) Shirley Short (SS)

1. Apologies: Jim Daintith

2. Minutes of last meeting: Accepted as correct and signed by KW

3. Matters arising:

- KW informed committee that Bill Skead, lead for the local Transform British Tennis LTA, is happy that although we will not be joining the group we will support them
- Leaf blower and 2 leaf sweeps in use and courts look well kept.

4. Chairman's report: By KW

- Welcomed Shirley Short as Club Secretary
- Informed that WhatsApp is working well but members to be informed that it is for club business and not for personal chit chat
- JD is back 1st May
- 5. **Treasurer's Report**: TB reported that Business account stands at £19,240 and Savings account at £30,134.30. Quiz night raised £415.62.
- 6. **Membership update**: CM informed that Chris Holmes will be putting membership renewal form on the website in early April if possible. She would like all members to fill in the form to ensure personal details are up to date and payment by BACS to be encouraged.

 Links for membership payment to treasurer still not sorted.
- 7. **Website and Publicity**: MG reported that Facebook use was going well. LTA will be notifying number of tickets allocated to LLTC on 19th March following which LLTC draw will be held on 24th March.

8. Hall committee report:

- KW discussed the request for a division of the scrubland to extend the children's play area at the rear side of court 1. In principle, it had been agreed subject to a final drawing and planning which would require a 6ft fence to screen the play area from the Court 1 view. The Hall committee will be meeting next week to debate this.
- With regards the extension of the clubhouse, following discussion of previous options, it was
 thought that the easiest, least disruptive, and affordable was to remove the stairway wall and also
 extend outwards from the front of the current building. This was unanimously agreed by all
 present. The proposal will be raised at next week's Hall meeting.

- 9. **Tennis leagues**: JPL reported that 2 teams entered in the winter league; A team likely to win the league with B team coming in at 5th position. Team information will be going on to board.
 - Coaching by Marcie for team members 18 sessions in all, awaiting timetable from Marcie.
 - To use WhatsApp and Facebook to invite participation in teams for matches.
 - AA to organise Juniors Tournament
- 10. **Social events:** KM revealed a suggested list of events for the year [subject to Hall availability] as follows:
 - Pizza night: Tuesday 12 June @ 8.00 pm (after evening Club session)
 - LLTC Charity tournament& BBQ (in aid of Sue Ryder), Sunday 8th July from 10.00am-9.00pm
 - Fish & Chips night (after Club session) Tuesday 7th August@ 8.00 pm
 - Club tournament finals, Awards Presentations & High Tea, Sunday 16th Sept @10.00am-4.00pm
 - AGM & curry dinner on Thursday 18th October @ 7.00pm
 - Festive curry at Maharani, Wednesday 5th December @ 7.00pm
 - Christmas Raffle Draw with Festive tea featuring mulled wine & mince pies, Sunday 16th
 December@ 3.00 pm
 - 11. **Juniors:** AA to go on 2nd course for Child Protection PJ to be briefed after.

AA will liaise with Marcie re confirmation of the Junior Tournament dates and organisation

12. **A.O.B.** KW

- Confirmation of summer court timetable from 25th March
- All 4 courts scheduled for refurbishment 14th May
- Answer to Dave Fisher's request to have table tennis was that we are not prepared to take on more work.
- 13. **Date of next meeting**: 16th May at 7.00 pm in the Ridgeway room.