



2020 General Meeting Report

Twenty-six members of the Bracebridge Tennis Club 'Zoomed in' for BTC's virtual meeting on Friday, October 23, 2020. The meeting opened at 3:30 PM. Thank you to those of you who were able to join.

BTC President Robin Hiltz started the meeting by asking everyone to please pause and remember BTC member Mike Brown who passed away while playing tennis in August 2020.

The minutes of the 2019 BTC AGM were approved as circulated.

Robin presented his President's report, which is attached.

Susanne Collins, BTC Treasurer, reviewed the financial statement, which was circulated to all members prior to the meeting and attached for your reference, and noted the following:

- The BTC Board pro-rated the BTC annual membership fee for the 2020 season to \$75 due to it being a shorter season. The Board also approved a "Pay what you can" option due to the financial effects of COVID on our members. 5 people took advantage of the "Pay what you can" option; the difference in revenue was \$145.
- The Town of Bracebridge waived BTC's 2020 court rental fee (just over \$2,000).
- Prior to the 2020 season the BTC Board reviewed the value of the OTA membership fee, and the cost of Liability and Abuse insurance. (The Board reviews this every few years). The Board concluded that the premiums saved by purchasing insurance through the OTA more than offsets the cost of the OTA membership fee as we get our insurance at a vastly reduced rate.
- The Capital reserve is 1-year cashable GIC to cover insurance deductible.
- BTC has two Long Term GICs, which are reserves for expenses. One, with a value of \$6,286, is maturing in October 2020 and will be deposited into BTC's account to cover initial expenses for the move to Kerr Park (see President's Report).

Judy Keith asked Susanne:

Q: Does BTC know what court rental fee will be at Kerr Park?

A: Not yet, but we anticipate it will be pro-rated and higher than what we pay at Kelvin Grove as there are 3 courts.

The 2020 Treasurer's Report was approved by all in attendance.

The following members were elected to the 2021 BTC Board of Directors:

President: Robin Hiltz

Vice President: Wendee Cameron

Treasurer: Susanne Collins

Secretary: Margaret Gallant

Membership: Thelma Yates

Tournaments: Virginia Watts

Directors at Large: Sandy Bowra, Diane McCurdy, Sharron Rumph

Paula King is leaving the Board after 4 years. Robin thanked Paula for her service to the Board and her organization of social events. She is leaving the Board to spend more time with family.

Other Business and News (Robin Hiltz)

Norma Schuyler has agreed take on BTC's internet presence.

The floor was opened for Questions from Members:

Asked by:	Question:	Answer:
Liz Curran	Will there be indoor washrooms at Kerr Park?	BTC is still negotiating. We are looking at Porta Potties maintained by Town for 2021. The Town has said they intend to build a permanent washroom.
Judy Keith	Is there a water source at Kerr Park?	The Board will confirm
Diane McCurdy	What is the frequency of cleaning porta potties, and does BTC have any say?	The Board will talk confirm this. John Sisson added that the Town is committed to working with BTC to make the move to Kerr Park as beneficial to BTC as possible, and are open to our feedback. It's important that we share concerns with them. We're fortunate to have an excellent partnership. Robin will continue to liaise with the Town.
Gloria Gardener	Would the the Town consider making the new washrooms at Kerr Park year-round facilities?	BTC will give that feedback to the Town
	Would BTC consider making the first Saturday of each month free for guests now that we have 3 courts available? It would be a good way to build membership.	The Board will discuss at the next Board meeting and report to members in the spring.

Thelma Yates thanked Robin for his contribution to BTC.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:55 PM.