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August 5, 2019

Chad Sweet
City of Gearhart
PO Box 2510
Gearhart, OR 97138

Dear Mr. Sweet,

THANK YOU for your generous donation of 2,500.00 received on 7/25/2019.

You have helped further our work to improve the health of everyone in our community. Additionally you aid in our support of local food producers who strengthen our economy right here at home while providing the most basic tool of good health - great food.

A few of our goals for 2019 that your donation will help us achieve:

- Increasing our reach to young people in our community. Last year over 1,000 kids attended our Young Chefs Cooking Camps and other hands-on classes, or attended on-site school events like Food Day. Teaching our next generations to make healthy food choices, to cook delicious meals and to value beautiful, local ingredients is a worthy investment in our collective quality of life.
- Furthering our tradition of collaboration with like-minded partners to extend our reach. Our existing partnerships with Oregon State University Extension, Bob's Red Mill, Astoria Co-op, Knight Cancer Collaborative and others have allowed us to welcome even more people into our teaching kitchen and to address the specific needs of employees, patients, young people and community residents. With new collaborations on the horizon, we look forward to developing programs that will provide ways for everyone to attain and maintain good health through food.
- Increasing our organizational efficiencies and sustainability through targeted trainings for board, staff and volunteers. With dedicated effort put into honing critical skills including strategic planning and diversity, equity and inclusion we insure our ability to continue our work far into the future.

You are an important part of the big picture. Thank you for your contribution and the acknowledgement of the power of food to make a difference in our community.

Sincerely,

Jessika Tantsook
Executive Director

North Coast Food Web is a 501(c)(3) non-profit based in the Lower-Columbia Pacific region of Oregon and Washington. Our mission is to cultivate healthy communities and a vibrant economy through food and agriculture. Donations to the North Coast Food Web are tax deductible.

Notes from PSCC meeting 8/2/19

The meeting only had one item to focus on, that being the JRI Grant program.

It was approved to continue the very successful Failure To Appear Reduction program this year. The FTA rate has fallen under this program from about a 40% to 50% failure to appear rate to 12 1/2%. This greatly reduces the waste of court time and sheriffs time, as the sheriffs have to go back out and re-arrest someone when they miss their court date. This has to also have an impact on families. The program works by keeping contact, and sometimes recommending sources for help, with people who are on release until their court date. Reminder calls are also made much like your dentist does for you. Clatsop County instituted this program because of the high success rates other Oregon . counties have had.

Some of that grant money is re-invested into organizations that provide services within the county. The request exceeded available funds, so the two smaller ones, VOCA and The Lighthouse

for Kids, received full funding, and The Harbor received the rest of available funds.

The only other business was the introduction of Kelly Brata, who will replace retiring Greg Engebritson, as the person to head the Juvenile Justice program. Kelly has 21 years experience, a lot in Oregon counties, and some of the counties were much less populated than ours. Last position was in charge of program for Jefferson and Wheeler counties combined due to size.

That's it,

Rick Newton
Warrenton City Commissioner
503-338-2279



Krysti Ficker <krysti@cityofgearhart.com>

Fwd: Adaptation of Gearhart Tennis Courts to Include Pickleball

1 message

Chad Sweet <chadsweet@cityofgearhart.com>
To: Krysti Ficker <krysti@cityofgearhart.com>

Thu, Aug 22, 2019 at 1:46 PM

For correspondence
Chad

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From: **Janet Elliott** <jelliott51@gmail.com>

Date: Thu, Aug 22, 2019 at 12:51 PM

Subject: Adaptation of Gearhart Tennis Courts to Include Pickleball

To: Mayor Matty Brown <mayorbrown@cityofgearhart.com>, <councilorjesse@cityofgearhart.com>, <councilorsmith@cityofgearhart.com>, <councilorcockrum@cityofgearhart.com>, <councilorfackerell@cityofgearhart.com>

Cc: <chadsweet@cityofgearhart.com>, Duncan Brown <dbrown@ucsd.edu>

Dear Mayor Brown and Gearhart Town Councilors:

We've learned that at the August meeting, the Gearhart Town Council voted to allocate funds to adapt the town tennis courts to support pickleball play. The August City Council Meeting Packet had included a Request for Funds from the North Coast Pickleball Association (attached) to adapt the courts so that they could be used for both pickleball and tennis "without disruption to tennis players." The project was described as painting pickleball lines on the tennis courts and providing straps for adjusting the tennis nets 2 inches lower to pickleball height. This seems like a win-win to us, and we are in favor of expanding the usage of the courts to include the pickleballers.

However, we understand that the town council discussed another approach, which had not been published, to remove one tennis court and convert it to two pickleball courts. Before any specific plans to include pickleball are decided on, we would like to weigh in in favor of adapting our two town courts to be used by both sports rather than destroying a tennis court. Our reasons:

1. The proposal that was published was for flexible use and sharing of the courts, not the destruction of a tennis court. Before the town council moves ahead with removing a tennis court, a proposal to do so should be made known so that there is an opportunity for comments and feedback to be heard.
2. The published proposal to share court use that was included in the May and August packets (attached) was simple and could easily be reversed if desired. It would be much less expensive than destroying a tennis court and building two pickleball courts.
3. The type of use that the Gearhart tennis courts get is quite social, such as family groups or social doubles, where four pairs play three round robin sets. It's more common to see two courts in use rather than just one. For the type of use the Gearhart courts get, losing one tennis court is quite a loss. If only one tennis court is kept, a tennis court would always be there for one match to be played. But we'd never again be able to have two courts going for families and other groups.
4. The approach of converting tennis courts to multi-use courts is evidently becoming popular, and it appears to be practical and reasonable. (See "A Blended Court Solution" <http://applecountrypickleball.blogspot.com/2018/06/more-cooperation-between-usta-and-usapa.html> , attached)
5. We understand that Gearhart hopes to create a Parks Master Plan in the near future. We believe that it would be valuable to go through that process before making a decision that changes recreation access in a way that is difficult to reverse, e.g., destroying a tennis court. The published proposal for painting lines to create multi-use courts is not drastic, and I think most would be comfortable doing that in advance of the Parks Master Plan process.



Krysti Ficker <krysti@cityofgearhart.com>

Form submission from: Contact Us

1 message

City of Gearhart Oregon via City of Gearhart Oregon <info@ci.gearhart.or.us>

Sun, Aug 11, 2019 at 9:54 AM

Reply-To: City of Gearhart Oregon <info@cityofgearhart.com>

To: krysti@cityofgearhart.com

Submitted on Sunday, August 11, 2019 - 9:54am

Submitted by anonymous user: 47.7.6.72

Submitted values are:

First Name: Sheila

Last Name: Nolan

Email: senolan@gmail.com

Question/Comment:

Dear Honorable Mayor Brown and Council,

It has recently come to our attention the topic of converting a tennis court to a pickleball court was no longer a topic of discussion and input, but in fact voted on and approved at the last council meeting.

While we have no objection to pickleball players or to them having their own sport venue, we do object to converting the existing, frequently used tennis court by local residents. My husband and I, both full time residents utilize the tennis courts frequently and have met many local residents also enjoying this wonderful community asset.

We understand monies will be available to expand recreational activities in the near future. Given the City has ample open park space, we ask you to reconsider the loss of the Gearhart residents tennis court.

Please consider a referendum or a more informal comment period to address the Gearhart community concerns.

Thank you all for your dedication to protecting and enhancing Gearhart for our community.

Sincerely,

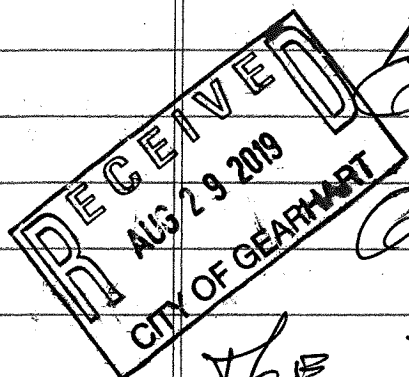
Sheila Nolan & Brent Warren

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

<https://www.cityofgearhart.com/node/7/submission/15201>

TO:

8/29/19



MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL
GEARHART, OR.

GENTLEMEN,

I AM WRITING YOU REGARDING
THE TENNIS COURTS IN GEARHART.
I RECENTLY LEARNED THAT YOU ARE
PLANNING TO REDUCE THE NUMBER
OF TENNIS COURTS TO ONE. IN
TURN YOU WANT TO ADD A PICKLEBALL
COURT. WHICH IS FINE, BUT YOU
SHOULD BUILD A NEW PICKLEBALL
COURT ON A DIFFERENT PROPERTY.
ONE TENNIS COURT IS NOT ENOUGH
FOR GEARHART. I HAVE SPOKEN TO
SEVERAL TENNIS PLAYERS IN GEARHART
AND THEY ARE VERY UPSET OVER
LOSING A COURT. PLEASE CONSIDER
CONSTRUCTING SEVERAL PICKLEBALL
COURTS ON ANOTHER GEARHART PROPERTY.

YOUR TRULY

SCOTT TAYLOR

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GEARHART

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Krysti Ficker <krysti@cityofgearhart.com>

Form submission from: Contact Us

City of Gearhart Oregon via City of Gearhart Oregon <info@ci.gearhart.or.us>

Wed, Aug 28, 2019 at 7:25 PM

Reply-To: City of Gearhart Oregon <info@cityofgearhart.com>

To: krysti@cityofgearhart.com

Submitted on Wednesday, August 28, 2019 - 7:25pm

Submitted by anonymous user: 172.58.38.131

Submitted values are:

First Name: Steve

Last Name: Russell

Email: mountainsprings20@outlook.com

Question/Comment:

I want show my Appreciation for the Gearhart community. I got my vehicle stuck in the sand in Gearhart. The tide was coming in. I called 911. Talked to Oregon State patrol. Who dispatched these charming kids who helped me. They told me it was free. My fault for driving a vehicle not suited for the sand. My apologies! A Gearhart officer came down as well. Gearhart Oregon is about hospitality! I hope to visit again with a 4x4. God bless. Steve

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

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