



Staff Report

For City Council Meeting - 11/4/2020

Subject - Visitors - Wally Hamer - North Coast Pickleball Association

Synopsis: The Council received some correspondence from Wally last month regarding the pickleball courts. It's been included this month again (attached), along with an invitation for Wally to elaborate.

Recommendation: N/A

Legal Analysis: N/A

Financial Analysis: N/A

Respectfully Submitted,


Chad

Gearhart City Council:

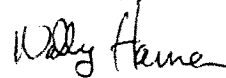
To whom it may concern:

First on behalf of all pickle ball players in this area we want to thank you for putting lines down and purchasing the roll away nets. It has worked very well and many locals as well as tourists have used the courts. Thanks to the financial support of the individual donor as well as the city of Gearhart we were able to make this fun, social, good exercise sport available to the public!

We have an issue though! The old adage of if you build them they will come has been born out! We have had days where we showed up and there was 25 pickle ball players waiting to play on two courts. Of course we were able to work it out but we all had to wait awhile to play. So, we are asking if you would consider adding two courts on the west side tennis court? Portable nets, with lines put down for two more courts would work great. This allows tennis to continue to play on both courts as well having two more pickle ball courts would help us with the days we have an overflow crowd.

I believe as we met the last time discussing pickle ball we talked about someday doing dedicated courts in Gearhart. I'm not sure if that has been discussed with the Parks Plan but dealing with all the people who enjoy playing would really be a great thing. Also, I believe there is still money that was donated to the city from the individual who helped with the first two courts. I want to thank you for your consideration in to this matter!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Wally Hamer".

Wally Hamer
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