Janesville Pickleball Club Annual Meeting of the Members
June 15, 2026, 5:30 PM
Hedberg Public Library

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by President Gary Dannenberg. There were approximately 45 members present.

Guest Speaker: John Lange
John Lange spoke about his pickleball journey. He talked about how when he started, he was a weaker player yet became better than many of the local players. Then he experienced way more skilled players in other locations. He worked hard to study the game and better players who often helped him develop his game. As he improved and enjoyed competitive play, he also kept in mind that during open play, he focused on working on his own skills, having fun, and not having a goal of winning every game. At other times, it was important to him to look for other players who were a level above him in order to improve his skills. He said that everyone has different obligations at different levels, to be honest with yourself at where you are in the game, and to be nice to everyone on your way up the ladder.

Minutes of the Annual Meeting held in 2025 were read and reviewed. A motion to approve was made by Dave Murray; second by Dale Magness. The motion carried. It was noted that there is still an issue with the shed being left unlocked at times. There needs to be a better way to lock it and still have it accessible.

Treasurer's Report: Great appreciation was given to Keith Christoff who took over as Interim Treasurer during this past year. Dues payments have been switched over to either Venmo or checks. No cash. Keith reviewed the 2025 statements and created financial statements which didn't exist for 2025, as well as 2026 statements. Copies were given to all in attendance at the meeting. As of the end of May 2026, we have $18,506.58 in checking; $281.59 in savings; and $786.63 in cash not deposited (Venmo) for a total of $19,574.80. The value of the shed after depreciation is $723.84 for Total Assets of $20,298.64. Keith also included a Statement of Income and Expense. Keith explained that there is ~$1,300 to come in from Venmo soon and an explanation of how to use Venmo was given. Keith is open to any questions members have. A motion was made to approve the Treasurer's report by Dave Viemeister and seconded by Cecelia Zaccard. The motion passed.

President's Report: None given

Bylaw Amendments: ***The proposal to add online voting*** for elections was discussed thoroughly. There were many questions about how the details of online voting would be handled. Varied thoughts were given including: members should be at the meeting to vote, every member should have the ability to vote, importance of real-time voting, any early voting doesn't allow for hearing the discussion at the meeting, allowing time after the meeting opens up soliciting votes, ways to confirm the identity an online voter, cost of an electronic voting system, possibility of using a Zoom meeting for real-time voting, possibility of using proxy voting. Cecelia Zaccard moved to table the proposal. Second, by Dave Schollmeier. The motion carried. Suggestion was made to revisit it in a fall meeting. A sign-up sheet was started for anyone wanting to be on a committee to research the possibilities.

The proposal to amend the terms of office: Brian Davis made a motion to accept the proposal. Second by Bill Drozdowicz. Jean Schollmeier asked to have two friendly amendments added which were approved by Brian and Bill. The motion passed. The final amendment that replaces Article III-Officers, Section C-Term of Office reads:

All Officers and Board members-at-large will be elected at the annual membership meeting. In 2026, those elected to the offices of Vice-president and Treasurer will be elected for two-year terms. The following year, those elected to the offices of President and Secretary will be elected to two-year terms. In the following years, all Officers will be elected for two-year terms on a rotating basis. The three Board members at-large will be elected for one-year terms. Every effort will be made to have one of the Board members at-large in charge of the website and all club technology issues.

Election of New Officers:

New officers and board members elected:

President – Julie Fiebig
Vice President – Dave Brusky
Treasurer – Keith Christoff
Secretary – Kathy Christoff
Members-at-Large – Mimi Hahn (website & technology), Ed Stried and Dave Viemeister

Court Use Discussion:

Gary spoke about court conduct, playing with visitors and a complaint about court use.

Gary reviewed that Courts 1-6 are for club Open Play Weekdays from 8:30-noon & Mondays from 4:30 – 8 PM. Everyone is invited to “drop in” including non-members. All other times, these courts are open to the public on a First come, first serve basis. Courts 7-12 are always on a First come, first serve basis with no time limit. These courts are city courts that our club has no priority on at any time. Players are not obligated to mix with other groups or add others to their group. They can be reserved through the Janesville Rec Department for a special event at 608-755-3030.

Projects Pending:
A discussion was held on sunscreens and possible porta potties. Ed Stried said that he has been in contact with Cullen Slapak from the city and will continue to communicate and report to the board. Gary expressed interest in procuring a site for indoor club play.

Adjournment:
Dave Schollmeier moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 PM.