**Outdoor PickleBall 2016**

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A new outdoor pickleball program began on Tuesday, June 28 and ended Thursday, September 8 at the freshly resurfaced tennis courts located adjacent to the Lakeview Par 3 Golf Course. The total expenditure for equipment and supplies was approximately $600 (vs $700 allotted). We provided instruction and loaner paddles to new players; divided players into three skill levels; and offered Round Robin play on Monday evenings and Tuesday mornings; with Shootout (Ladder) play on Thursday mornings.

The City posted signage indicating the courts are reserved for Pickleball on Tuesday and Thursday mornings.

A total of 57 players registered for the outdoor program ($10/person) with 5 new $5 memberships sold for a total revenue of $595. The number of players on any given day varied from 10 – 30. Mid-season, feedback from the players led to the addition of a skills/drills hour at the beginning of the morning play. A top-rated player and her husband from Kenosee Lake drove in on Thursdays to lead this session.

In the summer of 2017, we hope to expand the outdoor pickleball program to all five weekday mornings. We also plan to offer Junior pickleball lessons on Saturdays.