PRESENT: N. Patterson, A. Hopkins, L. Payne, W. Weynerowski, W. Pawley, P. Wilson, M. Hill, J. Kranenburg.

- 1. Construction Report: W. Pawley advised Committee that gyproc was being installed following insulation. Remaining outer insulation would be completed within the week. Light fixtures were being purchased (estimated \$400.00 for all fixtures) Plywood for floors, strapping for exterior finish, etc., was estimated to cost a further \$2,000. Windows were to be ordered at \$100 each. It was suggested that the exterior finish across the front of the building was important to encourage new members.
- Motion 1:

 A. Hopkins proposed, seconded by W. Pawley, that diagonal cedar siding be ordered and installed as soon as possible across the front of the squash building.

Motion carried.

It was estimated that a further six weeks would be required before the courts were ready for use, but this depended entirely on input from more than the regular labour force.

2. Membership: We now have \$30,000 in memberships of which \$3,000 is in promissory notes. (A. Hopkins estimated that we have spent \$36 - 37,000 on construction. A. further \$5,000 would be required to complete all facilities).

We now have 87 members - we expect to have 100 on opening day, with a further 25 new members within 3 months of officially opening. W. Weynerowski has been assured by the Asst. Manager of Mont Cascades that he is willing to hand out "Squash Cascades" literature with every ski pass sold, and he was promised a free club membership if he himself beings in 10 new members. It is hoped that the residents of Masham will again show interest once the courts are functional. All efforts are constantly being made by Messrs. Weynerowski and Patterson to encourage the local inn-keepers and staff to promote the squash project!

- 3. Financial Report on Treasurer's arrival.
- 4. Additional Financing: several suggestions as to raffles, fund-raising parties, lotteries, etc. were discussed but it was decided that these would only really be practical once the courts were open. The Cascades Club Novemberfest would also be an opportune time to promote the Squash operation, so members must be encouraged to bring potential subscribers.

5. A. Hopkins is still hopeful that a grant may be available; however the lack of a centre baffle in the septic tank may be a problem for, although accepted by the province, this tank will not be endorsed.

In order to allow A. Hopkins to concentrate on construction, N. Patterson promised to get together with Mr. and Mrs. Arel as soon as possible to research the grant situation.

- 6. Advertising campaign: It was decided that at this stage, advertising in local newspapers was not profitable as those who had responded were already members. Personal efforts were more productive and cheaper!
- 7. The suggestion that life membership rates be increased to \$1,500 was not adopted as it was felt that, until the courts were open, we need to make the rates as attractive as possible.
- **3. The Financial Report: The bank balance was \$350, with money owing from members at \$3,650. (\$750 was doubtful owing to reconsideration). A cheque for \$1,700 had been drawn for heating work and materials, per arrangement between Construction Committee and D. Liddiard. Cascades Club owe the Squash \$800 in shared costs for heating, etc. Bills and commitments stand at \$2,200 with McGillivray due a further \$300. Treasurer to obtain approximately \$100 credit outstanding at Hoffman Concrete.
 - 8. Insurance coverage of \$65,000 was considered adequate and runs for another year.
 - 9. It was decided that an Annual General Meeting with election of officers should be held following the official opening of courts, expected around January 15, 1979.
 - 10.J. Lemelin now has official bylaws for the Squash operation and these must be reviewed and up-dated for A.G.M.
 - 11. It is hoped that the club will be operating for the Christmas holiday and plans should be made for a GRAND OPENING DAY PARTY. This special event must be totally organised and splendidly presented, as further new members may be encouraged at last to join
 - 12. Playing regulations were discussed, with the general opinion that rules should be made as and when necessary. It was, however, suggested that court fees for ALL guests should be payable, with members personally responsible for guests and payment. Booking sheets will be posted up to 3 days in advance and building security will be ensured by self-locking doors to all squash entrances. Playing regulations will be finalised and ladders organised. In passing, A. Hopkins advised Committee that he intends to donate a Trophy for the best player each year, to be passed on each year to receipent of award "President's Cup!"
 - W. Pawley moved, seconded by W. Weynerowski, that a one year family membership be granted to J. Brown in exchange for full plowing of driveway and parking lot, as indicated. Motion carried.
 - P. Wilson, seconded by A. Hopkins, moved for adjournment. 9.20 p.m.