



### HGRD Golf Committee Meeting Minutes

January 8, 2024 ~ 9:00 AM Card Room C

COMMITTEE MEMBERS	PRESENT	SUPERVISORS/OTHERS	PRESENT
Chair Bruce Johnson	X	Peter Overs, Liaison	X
Jon Edinger	X	J.B. Belknap, General Manager	X
Bob Herbstritt	X	Bruce Harris, Head Golf Pro	X
Dan Lyons	X	Tim Kortanek, Golf Maintenance	X
Ron White	X	1 <sup>st</sup> Alt – Evan Slater	
Karen Sullivan	X	2 <sup>nd</sup> Alt – Lew Prince	X
Lori Vivian	X		
Ron White	X		

- I. **CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL** – Chair Bruce Johnson
- II. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**- Minutes were presented from the December 4, 2023 meeting. The minutes passed unanimously.
- III. **GOLF COURSE MAINTENANCE REPORT** – Tim Kortanek- Golf Course Superintendent
  - Sewer View will be on-site February 1<sup>st</sup> to scope the drainage tile behind #8 tee. Once that is finished, an improvement plan can be developed moving forward.
  - The waste area screening at #9 is being finished along with side work and stump grinding. Several pine trees continue to die after Irma necessitating additional stump grinding. The club will investigate purchasing a stump grinder. Pine straw is being placed on #17 where the cypress pines are located.
  - Curbing: The staff is edging cart paths. Many areas are becoming worn due to constant tire wear. Tim is recommending curbing around these areas rather than sod. He has digital mapping of the cart paths for curb work which costs around \$10 per linear foot. Additional curbing will more than likely take place in the summer. He will compile a list of cart path improvements, develop a plan, and assign budget numbers to the plan.
  - Tim’s major concern is the replacement of equipment and getting the equipment in a timely manner. Because of shipping delays, many of our pieces have yet to arrive. It’s taken 18 months to get a Toro rough unit. The 2009-2011 Kabotas need to be replaced and new triplexes and sprayers are also needed.
  - Based on the El Nino weather pattern and cloudy conditions, the use of fungicides has increased. Tim will incorporate using pencil tines on the greens to increase air into the canopy.
  - Tim will reevaluate the cart path only policy although the fairways seem to be in very good shape because of it.
  - CE Engineering is scheduled to file a report on the lake bank erosion issue. JB is following up with their engineer.
  - Distance markers on the cart paths were discussed. Tim and Bruce will address.
  - Tim reported that Matthew and Britt, the mechanic, will be working on the par 3 sand box stands.
  - It was pointed out that the front part of #12 green is constantly wet. Tim will check for irrigation overlap and make any necessary adjustments. He may also incorporate spider drains on holes #10 and #1.
  - The committee asked about dollar weed on #9 left and #1. Tim says it is due to the abundance of rainfall we’ve recieved and is typical of over-watering. He has reduced irrigation by around 80% because of the excessive rain. He will look into spray apps to address. The committee was also concerned about the waste areas being too fluffy and soft. Tim and Matthew will address as well.
  - Regarding #17 bulkhead, the engineering firm has begun work on the permitting and a survey crew was on-site December 26<sup>th</sup>. A construction development plan is being established with Artistic Structures, but no timeline has been set. Tim thinks March is a reasonable start date.
- IV. **GOLF SHOP REPORT** – Bruce Harris Golf Professional
  - Bruce is attempting to use the Chelsea system to give an accurate round played report. He wants to ensure rounds are not counted if the course is closed. Bruce estimates that yearly rounds will total approximately 55,000 this year.
  - Public rates were discussed. Bruce said the public rate is increasing comparatively to several like-kind competitors.
  - Driving range use prior to shotguns was discussed. Mr. Prince stated that range should only be used for warm-up purposes only. Bruce will address in his newsletter.
  - Lori Vivian gave a report regarding the Adopt A Hole program.
  - The committee asked that the drop zones be rotated more frequently particularly on #4. Members asked if a sand bottle or sandbox would be useful at the #4 drop zone.
- V. **NEXT MEETING**: The next meeting is scheduled for February 12<sup>th</sup> at 1 PM.
- VI. **ADJOURNMENT** Adjourn 10:15 AM