

Golf Committee Report to HGMD board of Directors

Meeting was called to order at 1:00 May 28, 2024 and a quorum was present

Those present, Beulah Gould, JoAnn Fitch, Hal Gibbons, Rich Richardson, Linda Savage, Marilyn Schlitt, Thomas Kappel, Carol Anne Mayne, Laura Thompson (ladies club representative) Jake Flint (mens club president) Greg Kohr, Harold Borquez, Matt Martella, Craig Baldwin, and Daniel Taylor.

*Golf Financials and Managers Report.

Kohr reported that as of today compared to 2023, revenue is up over 150K at a 13% gain. Revenue from lessons is up by 60% and green fees up by 13%. The golf simulator has gained more popularity and usage is up.

Greg presented some options to replace the 3 lockers that are used in the game room storage area by the ladies and men's golf clubs. They were badly damaged due to a break-in a few years ago. The price range was from \$1,115 to \$1,600. After discussion about alternatives and cost, Greg will ask the wood shop if it is possible to repair the broken doors instead of purchasing new units.

*Maintenance Report.

Harold Borquez reported that the sand trap on #5 has had some irrigation problems but will soon have it finished. #1 bunker will also be completed and reseeded. The cups are moved on the greens on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Sprinklers have been adjusted around the cage and practice area to reduce standing water and water is being adjusted due to the removal of 27 irrigation heads to avoid standing water.

A resident asked about moving the forward tee box on #7. That issue is being considered. A question was also asked about the drainage holding pond on hole 9. Harold and Matt said the drawings on its creation and design have not been found. They said that the pond has slow drainage because of the clay bottom design. They will look into it further.

Matt Martella presented a compelling report on various equipment listed on the HGMD 2024 capital budget and a TOP PRIORITY item which is a variable speed pump for the pump house. Matt put together a 3-page rationale on these items and then spoke of the very serious issue of failing, aging PVC pipes, RDR clocks which go out due to lightning strikes (7K to 9K to replace and there are 96 on the course). Harold has replaced 3 and has purchased used clocks from other golf courses. These RDR clocks are becoming obsolete now. The pump we have is obsolete and can't be maintained much longer. Matt has had two companies look at the pump and check out the system. He recommends that Rain Bird is the company that can supply the needed upgrades

*Matt and Harold have recommended that we proceed with the pump house improvement/consultant and defer the 2 workmen carts and rough mower to 2025 and the committee unanimously agreed.

*Motions:

A. Laura made motion that the committee approve of hiring a consultant \$30,000 to evaluate our current irrigation system and a variable speed pump for the pump house. Motion seconded by Carol Anne. The motion carried unanimously.

B. A second motion was made by Carol Anne to replace the current pump with a variable speed pump at \$175K this year. The rationale is that the HGMD would move the Capital items of the rough-cut mower and the 2 utility vehicles to the 2025 budget. The motion was seconded by Linda Savage. The motion carried unanimously.

C. A third motion was made by Carol Anne to approve the purchase of the 2 Workman vehicles #614, \$41,400 budgeted and #607 \$20,700 budgeted and the Lastec rough-cut mower budgeted for \$120,060. The motion was seconded by Jake Flint. The motion carried unanimously.

The committee agreed this would be important community information at Matt's open forum on May 29.

*Laura reported for Ladies golf that twice a month shotgun starts were working well with a player in each group responsible to keep pace of play. There will be 52 ladies playing in the men's and ladies club mixer.

*Jake reported that they are mixing up foresomes to have a more social experience and have tried double shotgun starts to accommodate the many players and special tournaments. He and Connie Burns are putting together the mixer and busy with all the details.

*Unfinished business

Hal asked about the progress on signage for holes #2 and #7 regarding people walking on the cart path with no concern for those hitting on the tee boxes. A recent security report was sent out via pilera about the danger of walking on the course and being aware that golf balls can be hit in any direction. Greg and Hal are working to find the appropriate wording for those signs

*no new business

*there was no public comment at conclusion *the next committee meeting is June 25 at 1:00pm *the meeting was adjourned at 2:50 pm