

Board of Directors meeting - March 25, 2021

Board Members present: John Perkinson, John Rush, Jared Westergard, Lynn Zmistowski, Monte Berget, Mary Pomroy, Brian Ricks, Mark Shill & Ed Smith

Staff present: Matt Denesha and Mike Molton

The meeting was called to order at 4pm

Corrections were made to the minutes. **There was a motion & second to approve the minutes from the last meeting. The vote passed.**

COVID UPDATE: Governor's removal of mask mandate (March 25, 2021) was discussed. AMGC is following the state requirements. **There was a motion & second to approve the lift on mask requirements and for tables to go back to 100% seating capacity. The vote passed.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS

GREENS COMMITTEE: Mark Shill. A written Green's report from the Committee was submitted to the Board earlier. An overview of that report was presented by Mike Molton, Course Superintendent.

The Board discussed the purchase or lease alternative for capital golf course equipment, the savings in repairs and maintenance by leasing new and under warranty versus purchasing/owning. The equipment lease package consists of 10 carts, 2 heavy duty carts, 2 fairway mowers, 2 tee and approach mowers, 3 rough mowers, 1 sand rake, 1 greens sprayer, 1 aerifier, 1 shop lift and 1 turbine debris blower. The irrigation computer controller and 60 field controllers were included at no cost (92k retail cost). **There was a motion & second to move forward with a 4-year lease. The vote passed.**

GOLF COMMITTEE - Monte Berget, Brian Ricks & Matt Denesha - There was some discussion concerning whether a 'handicap' flag program should be implemented that would allow certain players to drive a cart close to the greens or an area where we do not want everyone driving the carts. The Golf Committee along with Matt will outline a program moving forward that will address this issue.

Matt Denesha informed us that rakes will be back out on April 1, 2021 with full USGA bunker rule compliance. Matt is sending out an email to the membership that will encourage members to return to raking carefully. The Club's cart lease is up at the end of November. At the April Board meeting, Matt will present the different leasing costs. The Board is considering Easy Go Club Car, or Yamaha. Easy Go left a demo cart with auto brake for the Board to try. Discussion concerning the "Single Rider Cart Policy" as it pertains to Covid and preferences was tabled after a lengthy discussion until next month's meeting.

Outside events were addressed for the summer, availability on Mondays when we are closed, starting in June, was a possibility. All events need to go through the Board for prior approval. No outside events will take place during season November thru April.

Slow play was brought up. 3:55 minutes is the standard AMGC Speed of Play, therefore any play over 4:10 would be considered a pace of play issue. It was decided that the Golf shop would wait for the new Jencess system and see if that helps the staff monitor speed of play problems before making any enforcement policy decisions. Tee time starts and double tee time starts were

discussed moving forward April 1st. It was decided that the 7:30am start would precede April 1st except for the double tee time starts on Wed. Friday and Sunday. On those days, the Golf shop will continue with an 8am start until groups start shrinking and a 7:30am regular tee time start would be conducive. May 1st tee times will start at 7am and starting June through the rest of the summer we will have a start time of 6:30am.

There was a discussion about Guest Fees and Family Guest Fees. Many ideas were discussed and this was tabled and will be reviewed by the Golf Committee and presented at a future meeting.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Jarod Westergard – a financial report was given for February and our revenue for February was very profitable & budgets were overall positive.

FOOD & BEVERAGE COMMITTEE: John Rush – Chef is wanting to do some special plate dinners versus having 8 items on the menu. Moving forward, all tournaments will have a meals budget to present prior to any tournament finalization. John Du Toit will be monitoring over-time issues, liquor costs and food costs for various events and member tournaments including food.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE: Mary Pomroy. There are 330 total active members; 3 new equity members and 5 status requests. There are 23 prospects currently on the waiting list; 16 are participating in the Trial Membership program which required them to pay the upfront 6-month non-refundable dues which would also secure their place on the waitlist. The remaining 7 have placed a non-refundable security deposit of \$1,000 to remain on the waitlist. Both options lock them into the \$5000 initiation fee when they get to the top of the list and a membership becomes available. These programs were approved by the Board at a previous meeting. **There was a motion & second to approve the new members and the status changes. The vote passed.**

HOUSE COMMITTEE: Ed Smith and Lynn Zmistowski. A new gate closure with hinges has currently been ordered and will be installed soon. The Clubhouse will be re-keyed. The transformer at the club drop area is currently being cleaned out and plants will be trimmed or removed in the parking area. There was a suggestion that a sign at the front entrance stating “Members Only, Private Property” be ordered. **There was a motion & second to approve the signage. The vote passed.**

BY-LAWS - no additional report

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35pm

The next meeting will be April 29, 2021 at 4pm