

Bonita National Golf Club, Inc.
Emergency Board of Directors Meeting
April 2, 2020 at 4:00 PM
At the Bonita National Clubhouse
17671 Bonita National Blvd
Bonita Springs, FL 34135

1. Call to Order, Establish Quorum:

Board President Ed McQuaid called the meeting to order at 4pm. A quorum was established. Directors present were: Ed McQuaid, Jim Zyskowski, Peggy Hanson, John Moran, Robert Pacheco, Sean Hayward and Jack Ridge

2. Opening Statement and Board Comments:

President Ed McQuaid stated that (a) following the Governor's Order effective April 3, 2020, he met with Golf Course Superintendent, Jesse Metcalf and determined that should the course be closed the maintenance scheduled for June 1st could be moved up but would require closure for almost an entire month due to material supply and other issues; (b) he viewed on line the County Commissioners meeting and noted that they had not specifically required closure of golf courses.

Director Jim Zyskowski stated that a memo received from the Board's outside counsel at 12:40 pm today advised that under the Governor's order golf would likely be considered an essential recreational activity and courses allowed to remain open as long as social distancing is respected.

The Board reviewed the status of a number of area course. Courses remaining open included Palmira, Forest Glen, and Twin Eagles. A communication from the Veranda Club Director and President of the SWF Chapter of the PGA stated that the Club would remain open as they considered Golf to be an essential recreational activity as long as social distancing was practiced. Heritage Bay has closed with one reported case of a possible contact with someone affected. Director Jack Ridge stated that a communication from the South Florida Section of the PGA stated that they had received information from the Governor's Chief of Staff recognizing golf as an "essential recreational activity" provided social distancing was maintained.

It was also noted that Counties may impose more stringent requirements than imposed by the Governor if the situation in their jurisdiction requires. Broward and Miami Dade Counties have more restrictive guidelines, but Lee County has not yet done so.

Director Peggy Hanson stated that she had received an e-mail (3:04 pm) indicating Heritage Landings had confirmed that the Governor in fact considers golf an essential recreational activity provided social distancing is observed.

3. Staff Reports:

(a) Head Golf Pro, Scott Gottko reported that three rangers, all over 65, will not continue to work due to health concerns. However, he was in favor of keeping the course open and

noted the precautions being taken including 14 minute tee times, the revised process for cleaning carts after each use and the requirement that players manage their own bags all support social distancing.

4. Director Peggy Hanson made a motion, 2nd by Jim Zyskowski, that the course remain open, that as a further precaution the cups and caps at the ice machines be removed and that Membership be advised to bring their own drinks and containers. With all in favor, the Motion Passed.
5. The Board discussed recent course violations and whether it was time to more firmly enforce the Club rules and regulations. After discussion Director Jim Zyskowski made a motion, 2nd by John Moran that a newsletter be sent to the Golf Members highlighting the additional restrictions and reminding all that the rules are there for their safety and protection and Rod draft a newsletter with approval of the HOA Board concerning the restrictions in place and the necessity of following the rules to keep our community safe. With all in favor, the Motion Passed.
6. **Adjournment:** There being no other business, a motion was made by Jim Zyskowski,, 2nd by Bob Pacheco to adjourn the meeting at 4:36 pm. With all in favor, the Motion Passed.

James Zyskowski, Secretary
BNGC Secretary

Date