



**La Grande Country Club
Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, October 19th at 6:00 pm**

Board Members in Attendance: Tiffany Sherman, Guy Weishaar, Bob Butler, Eric Yundt, Julie Hickerson, Mark Goss, Ron Arritola, Steve Wilcox, Terry Hughes, Charlene Counsell, and Betty Wilcox (for Joleen Moller)

Others in Attendance: Stuart Smart, Brent Austin, and Katy Budlong

The meeting was brought to order at 6:00 pm

Meeting Minutes: Guy Weishaar motioned for the September Board Meeting Minutes to be approved. Mark Goss seconded the motion. All were in favor, and the Meeting Minutes were approved.

Finance Committee:

- \$60,000 has been placed into a one-year CD at Edward Jones, earning 4.05%.
- \$100,000 has been placed into the Flourish Savings Account, currently earning 3.0%.
- A Dues increase proposal will be presented at the next Board Meeting.
 - The reasoning for the dues increase will need to be presented to the membership.
- The first mower has been received and paid for. The second will be delivered soon and paid for in full at delivery time.
- A Greens Mower will need to be purchased next and ordered this year to secure one in 2024.
 - Mark Goss motioned to proceed with selecting and ordering the Greens Mower for purchase in 2024. Julie Hickerson seconded the motion. There was no discussion, and all were in favor. The motion passed, and a Greens Mower will be selected and ordered.
 - The \$8,500 monthly savings deposit will help to cover the cost of the mower.

Greens Committee:

- The Workday was a success, and all projects were completed. A big thank you to all who participated.
- The reshaping of bunker six will happen at a later date.
- The Cable Tree between 8 and 9 is splitting and becoming a hazard. The cable was placed in 1980 and has prolonged the tree's life for 42 years.
 - A decision to either take it out or trim it back will need to be made, and it will need to be done by an outside professional.
 - Mark Goss motioned for the tree to be completely removed and the stump ground down by a professional, picked after acquiring the three required quotes. Guy Weisharr seconded the motion. No further discussion was had, and all were in favor. The tree will be removed once the quotes are obtained, and the professional is picked.
- The grounds crew is working on trimming back the ditch.
- LGCC is still waiting on the wild iris spraying by the county.
- Future Projects:
 - Cleaning out the ditch.
 - Reshaping sand traps on six.
 - Pre-booking fertilizer.
 - Getting fuel topped off for the year.
 - Fall projects.

House Committee:

- KC Kunkle sent links to suggested products for soundproofing.
- No update on the deck rail at this time.

- Walk-Through:
 - Concrete landing edge needs to be fixed, and a quote will be obtained. However, there are limited contractors able to do this work, and three quotes might not be obtainable.
 - Stocking in the Golf Shop is lacking. Stuart has addressed the issue with the staff.
 - Weeds under the deck.
 - Snack area improved in the upper bar.
 - Small visual improvement throughout the Club.
- Insurance is coming up for renewal in February, and new quotes need to be obtained.
 - Possibly update current replacement values and deductibles.

Membership Committee:

- Non-members can only play off-season games, such as poker and cribbage, twice per year, just like golf. If they want to play more, they can join as a social member month to month.

Policy and By-Laws Committee:

- The dress code policy in the Policy Manual needs to be updated to **‘Members, guests, and spectators must wear appropriate golf attire at all times while on the course during golf events.’**
 - Terry Hughes motioned to approve the policy change as stated above. Bob Butler seconded the motion. No discussion, and all were in favor. The dress code policy change was approved.

Tournament Committee: All tournaments have been finalized.

Ladies Association:

- The Ladies Stagette was successful with 40 lunches and 28 cross-country players.
- Decorating for the holidays will take place at the end of November.

Pro Report:

- Stuart Smart suggested that LGCC gift the third Fairway Mower (which is not in use and currently the back-up to the back-up) to Alpine Meadows as a good faith gesture. This would help to promote golf in the area and would be good PR. Ron Arritola motioned that they gift the oldest Fairway Mower to Alpine Meadows. Julie Hickerson seconded the motion. All were in favor.
- The parking lot damage is not as bad as it originally seemed, and the sand will be paid for, with no discussion on recompense for the damage. No extra funds were spent on the minimal damage.
 - It was mentioned that the painting of the stripes in the parking lot are already fading.
- Stuart Smart has obtained a new quote for 16 new cart sheds. Twelve sheds will be sold to members, and four will be purchased by and for LGCC. The new quote would be \$61,700. Members purchasing a shed would do so at \$4,750 for 11 years.
 - Members are now allowed to purchase additional sheds and may rent those sheds out, and will be first in line to rent out their shed. The contract would need to reflect this.
 - Any new 2022 cart shed purchased as an investment and not owner-occupied may be rented out to another member, through LGCC, for the current market value and will be placed first on the list for new cart shed rentals.
 - Guy Weishaar motioned to approve the 16-cart shed build, selling 12 sheds to members, with LGCC purchasing four sheds for LGCC use, per the new quote, and adding in the above cart shed rental agreement. Bob Butler seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion passed.

Old Business: Katy Budlong sent employee evaluation forms to be adjusted and used as needed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm

Respectfully Submitted by Katy Budlong