



La Grande Country Club Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, February 16, 2022

Board Members in Attendance: Bob Butler, Tiffany Sherman, Eric Yundt, Guy Weishaar, Julie Hickerson, Mark Goss, Ron Arritola, Steve Wilcox (by phone), Charlene Counsel, and Sherry McNeil

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

The meeting was brought to order at 6:00 pm

Meeting Minutes: Julie Hickerson motioned for the January Minutes to be approved. Charlene Counsell seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

Old Business:

- Cart Shed Lettering – Letters have been received.
- Handicap access: looked at some options.
 - Options range from \$3,000-\$5,000 for the lift.
 - It would require remodeling of the area and installation.
 - Ron, Mark & Eric will look into options further before the next meeting.
- The new mowers have been ordered.
- Parking lot lighting has been installed by OTEC.
 - The solar light will be installed by Brent at the entrance.
- Membership Survey
 - If ever sent out, the form would need to be very specific and prioritize items.
 - Hold off till land debt is paid off.
- Improvements
 - Parking lot asphalt will need to be taken care of at some point.
 - Tennis courts are also bad.
- Simulator – recommended it is advertised on our website.
- Tournaments are finalized.
 - Forms will be available on the website.
- Divot will mention that we are updating the website.
- The Ladies Annual Fundraiser will be held on Saturday, April 2nd, and will have Prime Rib and Chicken Cordon Blue, as well as the Annual Dessert Auction.

Julie motioned to move to an executive session at 6:26 pm and left the executive session at 6:46 pm.

New Business:

- The Annual Board Meeting was scheduled for Thursday, April 28th, at 6:00 pm.
 - **After the meeting, the date was changed to Wednesday, April 27th, at 6:00 pm.**

Finance Committee:

- Mike Poe, CPA, has adjusted the year-end reports.
- The Club is in a much better cash situation than the previous year.
 - Debt has been reduced.
- Full financing of the new mower purchase might be a better option, and pay off the land debt instead.
- Insurance for 2023 will need to be reevaluated as the companies previously used may not be available or affordable.
- Gift Card liability will be monitored over the next few years and determine if a percentage of the liability can be eliminated.
- 5% dues increase in April will occur. Continue dues increase needs to be discussed, and a plan made.

Greens Committee:

- The greens crew is getting the machines ready to go.
- Four willow trees have been removed, and some trees will be topped.
- The member workday will be held on April 9th.
- Greens Aeration will be done April 3-4.
- Sand has not been priced, will have to determine price and course of action.
- Brent will proceed with the cart shed numbering.

House Committee:

- There will be a walkthrough on March 2nd.
- Flooring will be installed in March.
 - Baffling and soundproofing will be discussed once the flooring is installed.
- Window treatments to block the sun in the Clubhouse were mentioned.
 - It will be looked into for the next meeting.

Membership Committee:

- Currently, membership is staying steady.
- All term-ending board members are running again.
 - Mark Goss
 - Steve Wilcox
 - Tiffany Sherman
- Mark Sherman nominated Ron Arritola and Julie Hickerson to the Nominating Committee.
 - Guy Weishaar seconded the motion.
 - All in favor.

Policy and By-Laws Committee:

- None

Tournament Committee:

- Eric Yundt, Mark Goss, Ron Arritola, Jeremy Mathson, and Stuart Smart will meet on March 8th at 6:00 pm.

Ladies Association:

- The Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be on April 16th.

Pro Report:

- The Kautz Family Fundraiser Memorial Bench was submitted for approval.
 - Everyone was in agreeance with the Bench.
- Bingo will be held Saturday, February 19th, with a \$1,500 jackpot!
- There will be a St. Patrick's Day Dinner on Thursday, March 17th.
- Stuart's current employment contract was approved.
- Stuart was given the approval to give employees raises per his discretion.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:31 pm