



**La Grande Country Club
Board Meeting Minutes
Annual Meeting 2022
For Year-End 2021
Date: Wednesday, April 27th, 2022**

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

Others in Attendance: Stuart Smart, Katy Budlong, Marisa Vaughn, Stacy Arritola, Chris Greenough, Carla Greenough, Mike Poe, Mark Sherman, Patrick Hemann, Suzannah Hemann, Peggy Weishaar, and Cally Goss

The meeting was brought to order at 6.00 pm

President Report: A big thank you to everyone for their support.

- Good things have happened and continue to happen at LGCC.
- They have worked diligently and have done a wonderful job, as well as all LGCC managers and employees.
- Another big thank you to Mike Poe for all his help and hard work.
- The Club is in a better position than it has been in a long time.

Finance Committee: Presented by Mike Poe

- The finances look better than they have in a long time.
- Working capital is strong, bills are being paid on time, and discounts are being taken.
- Budgets are prepared annually for each department.
- COVID was tough but was financially beneficial to the Club.
 - Forced changes and decisions that helped financially.
 - Management and Board were able to determine what was working and what was not, reevaluate, move forward, and make changes.
 - Government assistant for COVID helped.
 - Employee Retention Credits (ERC) were taken for three quarters in 2020 (\$54,715.35) and quarter one in 2021 (\$27,881.28).
 - \$5,000 Union County Grant.
- Cash is up \$115,000 and debt is down \$103,000, leading to a \$218,000 improvement.
- Board was able to look at the needs of the Club, including big-ticket items.
 - Two new mowers were authorized to be purchased and have been ordered.
 - Financing and down payments will be determined at the time of delivery.
 - Multiple equipment debts will be paid off at the same time as new mower purchases, and mower payments will be less than pay-off payments.
- The Club has three categories of cash:
 - Operational funds: Available for daily operational expenses.
 - Temporarily Restricted Funds: Irrigation Fund and other earmarked funds.
 - Permanent Restricted Funds: Funds only available for catastrophic events must have Board approval.
- Revenue is up due to multiple factors, including ERC, grants, dues increase, COVID shutdowns, and an increase in membership.

Greens Committee:

- Two new John Deere Mowers have been authorized for purchase and ordered.
 - A Fairway Mower and a Surround Mower.
 - Two years ago the Club had a hard time affording parts and repairs, so this is a huge step.

- The grounds crew is very excited about the new equipment.
- The Grounds Crew is continually doing preventative maintenance.
- The pump for the irrigation system is in need of repair.
 - Repair is scheduled and the pump motor will be pulled and sent for repair.
- Cart Shed maintenance began in 2021 and will continue in 2022.
 - Routine maintenance will be a priority for the cart sheds.
- The course is in excellent condition.
 - Currently, the grounds crew consists of three full-time workers who are doing a great job.
- Tree maintenance, topping, and removal is an ongoing projects to ensure the safety of the course.
 - Members are always welcome to purchase/donate a tree to the Club.
- Greens Committee is creating yearly budgets that are helpful for guidance and spending.
- Cart paths are still on the list, but they are expensive, and there are other more pressing priorities.
- Crossings were fixed this past year, as well as the culvert between eight and nine.
- A big thank you to the greens committee and grounds crew.

House Committee:

- LGCC staff should receive most of the credit for tasks accomplished. They are given a list, and complete the work.
- House items completed:
 - Purchased tall bar chairs
 - Reupholstered benches
 - Laminate flooring to be installed May 1st in the lower clubhouse
 - Thank you to the Ladies Association for the \$4,000 donation
 - New patio heaters purchased
 - New patio chairs purchased – this is an ongoing expense as they were out
 - Parking lot lighting was installed by OTEC and solar lights
 - Recycling containers for beer and soda cans installed to receive credit for can deposits
 - Safety tape for the main entrance was installed
 - An employee appreciation day was held
 - Craft nights – member participation needs to be encouraged if these are to continue
 - Social media presence has been increased
 - Walkthroughs: the first one had 1 ½ pages, the second one barely had ½ page
 - The concrete in front of the golf shop was replaced as it was a safety issue
- To-Do Items
 - Lower clubhouse flooring is scheduled for May
 - Paint the back of the clubhouse
 - Ladies Fundraiser funds will be used to purchase new dishes and flatware for the clubhouse/event rentals
 - Budget for House Committee items
- A reminder to always be respectful to staff and members

Membership Committee:

- LGCC’s mission statement, vision statement and values are posted on the website
- 2021-2022 membership increased by 10 memberships
- A demographic report was done
 - The average age of members is 59
 - Can use demographics to better tailor events
 - Work on acquiring and retaining younger members
 - Junior golf helps with this.
- Encourage all members to think about who would be a good addition as a member of LGCC

Policy and By-Laws Committee:

- The policies and by-laws were redone in 2021 (by-laws voted on)
- New ballot procedures were implemented.
- Last year concern with financial oversight was mentioned.
 - Changes have been made and there is greater control, checks, and procedures in place to ensure everything is on board.

Tournament Committee:

- All tournaments have been scheduled.
- All tournament entry forms are available on the website.
- Hopefully 2022 will be back to normal

Ladies Association:

- Items accomplished:
 - Flowers were purchased for the entrance
 - Held the June Style Show
 - Tournament breakfast burritos and burgers were prepared and sold
 - July yard sale raised \$1,500
 - \$4,000 was donated to the lower clubhouse flooring
 - 2021 Crab Feed raised \$2,000
 - The ladies' nine-hole invitational was successful
- 2022 Stagette will be held on the last Wednesday in September
- Ladies Board Elections
 - Charlene will remain as president, with Joleen Moeller as the first Vice President
 - Newly elected members are: Betty Wilcox and Judy Martin
- 2022 Crab Feed was changed to a Prime Rib and Chicken dinner due to the high price of crab
 - This was a very successful
- 2022 Easter Egg Hunt was held inside due to the weather – 60 kids attended
- The Ladies greatly appreciate all the support, volunteers, attendance, and donations by the members

Pro Report:

- Men's League has two more teams this year
- Junior Golf and Junior Golf Camp signups are available
- Membership numbers are doing good
- Daggett will sponsor the flowers again for 2022
- More advertising will be done for tournaments for 2022
- Community involvement with the Halloween Event was great
- Bingo was very successful this year

Board Member Nominations

- The following Board Members, coming off the Board, will run again
 - Tiffany Sherman
 - Steve Wilcox
 - Mark Goss
- Nominations from the floor was opened
 - No nominations
- Terry Hughes moved to close Board Member nominations. Julie Hickerson seconded the motion.
 - All were in favor. Nominations were closed.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:42 pm