

## MGC BoD Meeting Monday 10 April 2017

### Members in Attendance

John Stanton - President  
John Foottit - Secretary/Vice President  
Tom Reynolds - Membership  
Brian Bond - Treasurer  
Don Green - Club Captain  
Dave Evans - House  
Peter Beerli - Greens (20 April)

### Staff in Attendance

Dan Kolar - Manager (10 April)  
Bill Hudson - Greenskeeper

### **Decision Record**

1. The distribution of this record was intentionally delayed because the interest rate for the irrigation system loan had not been finalized with the Bank of Montreal (BMO). This was finally accomplished at a meeting with the BMO and unanimously approved by the full Board at a special meeting on 20 April (information from that meeting has been blended into this decision record)
2. The 10 April meeting was convened at the clubhouse at 6:00 PM.
3. The Board “walked the ground” to scope out the final design of our new patio area so that a firm price could be agreed upon. The plan is to take up the existing patio stones and extend the patio around to the river side of the clubhouse. The surface of the entire patio will then become stamped “granite” pattern concrete. Chairs will apparently slide easily on it. A safety railing will be installed as part of the project.
4. After several frustrating delays (including the bank misplacing our file), the BMO has agreed to provide the irrigation system loan at a fixed interest rate of 3.52%. The bank waived the \$14,000 dis-

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charge penalty for our existing mortgage (the 2 loans have been combined). The Board is now moving as quickly as possible to sign the loan agreement and, subsequently, the contract with Atkinson Irrigation.

5. The extension of the pump house and refurbishment of it will begin as soon as the river level subsides. The vertical turbine pumps are on site.
6. Thirty-eight sound dampening panels were installed in the main lounge and the bar over three very long days in early April. The Board wishes to thank Brian Bond for the extraordinary efforts he put into soliciting and evaluating bids from different suppliers, reviewing the work on site with the contractor, measuring reverberation levels with a view to establishing a base line, and creating an installation design. Our thanks also to Ken Maheral for organizing and undertaking the installation and to the crew who ably assisted him: Jordan Maheral, Fred Hunter, Ian Edwards, Don McLeay, Brian Bond, Kevin Beerli and Dan Kolar (your Secretary did his best to stay out of the way of people who knew what they were doing).
7. The overall sound levels are a variable that is essentially a function of the number of people in the room. The dampening panels have, however, cut reverberation levels by about 45% and have thereby significantly increased the clarity of conversation regardless of the loudness of the room.
8. The Pro Shop roof over the club storage area is leaking in a section that is about 25 years old. The Manager was tasked with arranging to have it patched, if this is economically possible. The House Chair will look into the options. The clubhouse shingles may need to be replaced as early as next year in any case. If so, it could be convenient to get the Pro Shop roof completely redone at the same time.
9. The Manager has arranged for all the parking lot light standards to be retrofitted with LED's at a cost of about \$1000.

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10. The Greenskeeper's report is attached.
11. The spring 2017 Shareholders' Meeting will be held on Wednesday 26 April at 7 PM in the clubhouse. As was done last year, copies of the 2016 financial statement will be available in the Pro Shop and on the website in advance of the Spring Meeting ([www.themississippi.ca](http://www.themississippi.ca); members log-in; Member Information; Board of Director's Meeting Minutes). Any member that does not currently have a share and wishes to vote in the management of the club must purchase a share for \$100 from the Manager.
12. Those members who wish to submit a proxy via e-mail are reminded that using very dark ink works best for filling out a form prior to scanning or photographing it and sending it to me.
13. The meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM. The date and time of the next regular meeting will be Tuesday 30 May at 6 PM in Myers Motors boardroom.
14. If any member has a question or concern, please contact me at [john.foottit@gmail.com](mailto:john.foottit@gmail.com).

John Foottit  
Secretary/VP

### 10 April Greenskeeper's Report

As of this writing all the greens have had bubble and ice shield tarps taken off. There is damage on 6 and 15 green, but it is still too early to tell how serious it is. We have seeded and put breathable tarps on the small sections of these greens where the damage has occurred. There were many freeze and thaw cycles this winter and that was the cause of the ice build up.

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It is quite noticeable to see where fungicide was applied on fairways to prevent snow mould. Owing to the early snow fall the ground did not have time to freeze, making it a high pressure year for snow mould. Most of the rough has either pink or grey snow mould. In the longer grass, like our rough, usually the damage is only on the leaf and doesn't effect the crown of the plant.

As stated in previous reports, there are a lot of limbs down because of the ice and heavy snow. This spring clean up will be more time consuming than normal.

We received 26 mm of rain on the 4<sup>th</sup> of April and 35 mm on the 6<sup>th</sup>. The course is completely saturated and we are not on the course with any vehicles for the next few days. Hopefully not much flooding will occur. The river is suppose to peak Sunday 9<sup>th</sup>.

We will be looking for volunteers to help with the course clean up. Please email me at [billyh@xplornet.com](mailto:billyh@xplornet.com) if interested and I will let you know when this will start.

We had 12 people take the CPR and AED training; 13 people took the health and safety awareness course.

Our gardener from last year (Rebecca) has found a full-time job at Algonquin Park and will not be returning. If you know anyone that has some horticulture experience please contact me at [billyh@xplornet.com](mailto:billyh@xplornet.com)