Members in Attendance

John Stanton - President John Foottit - Secretary/Vice President Tom Reynolds - Membership Brian Bond - Treasurer Don Green - Club Captain

Staff in Attendance

Dan Kolar - Manager Bill Hudson - Greenskeeper

Decision Record

- 1. The meeting was convened at 6:05 PM.
- 2. The following items were discussed with regard to the new digitallycontrolled irrigation system:
 - Bank: the Bank of Montreal requires our final year-end accounting statement before issuing a loan of \$870,000. This statement is expected from the accountant by mid-March.
 - Atkinson Irrigation: we are in the process of finalizing a Canadian Construction Document Committee (CCDC) standard contract with this supplier. Signatures will be possible after the loan from the bank has been approved.
 - Pumps Plus: a contract has been signed with this supplier. The pumps will be available for installation from the end of March.
 - Pump house extension: Drawings for the interior and exterior of the building have been completed by an independent contractor (Demerath Design and Drafting). Three local contractors will be involved with the extension/refurbishment. A meeting will be

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held in the near term to finalize the construction plan and the price.

- A minor variance application to extend the pump house closer to the river has been submitted to the Municipality of Mississippi Mills and the appropriate fees have been paid.
- Our submission for an adjustment to our water-taking has been sent to the provincial Ministry of the Environment. Our old permit will remain valid in the interim (expiry 2022).
- 3. The sound dampening panels were delivered on the 23rd of February. Installation in the main lounge and bar is expected before the end of March.
- 4. The following 2017 projects were discussed (funding is in place as part of the Capital Plan):
 - Adding more carts to our fleet of 40: the Greenskeeper has obtained an updated quote of \$59,000 for 10 new carts from Turf Care. The members will be asked to approve this lease at the Spring Shareholders' meeting because the total exceeds the 5% of the previous year's gross revenue spending limit.
 - The Greenskeeper has purchased a new Icon fertilizer spreader for \$8,900 and a Toro Fairway mower for \$17,900.
 - Replacing furnace #1 in the clubhouse: it has been installed at a price of \$5,400. Some final duct work has yet to be completed, but should be done before the end of March.
 - Purchasing a new hot water heater: it was decided to go with a standard gas 75,000 BTU tank for a price of \$3,400 (rather than a more expensive on-demand system).

- The existing salamander (shallow) gas oven has been dismantled and cleaned to see if its life cycle can be extended.
- 5. The manager provided an update on the plan to renovate the patio and extend it to the south side of the clubhouse (overlooking the river). The drawback to having etched concrete is that chairs do not tend to slide easily on this type of surface. Stamped concrete will be explored as an alternative. The supplier, Rod Ayotte, will take final measurements as soon as the snow is off the ground. Drawings and a final price quote are expected by mid-March. Installation will start after the spring thaw.
- 6. We have applied for another goose control permit for 2017 and will hire the same contractor.
- 7. The non-member side of the MGC website home page has been updated. An Ottawa Golf promotional e-mail blast for the club has been sent out to those who have signed up for this service from the Ottawa Golf home page.
- 8. The Greenskeeper's report is attached.
- 9. The spring 2017 Shareholders' Meeting will be held on Wednesday 26 April at 7 PM in the clubhouse.
- 10. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM. The next meeting will be on Thursday 16 March at 6 PM in the Myers boardroom.
- 11. If any member has a question or concern, please contact me at john.foottit@gmail.com.

John Foottit Secretary/VP

Greenskeeper's Report

We are still working on going over our machinery. Most of the cutting units have been repaired. There are over 100 different pieces of equipment to look at for rebuild or routine repairs. All our course hardware has been ordered including new white flags for the greens. We have been blowing air under nine of our tarps once a week. There is approximately 2" of ice on number 3 and 6 greens. We have had many freeze and thaw cycles this winter. We should know how the course wintered in about 6 weeks. We just picked up nine mowers from White Sands Golf Course to sharpen and refurbish at their expense.