

MGC BoD Meeting Tuesday 30 May 2017

Members in Attendance

John Stanton - President
John Footitt - Secretary/Vice President
Tom Reynolds - Membership
Brian Bond - Treasurer
Dave Evans - House
Peter Beerli - Greens

Staff in Attendance

Dan Kolar - Manager
Bill Hudson - Greenskeeper

Decision Record

1. The meeting was convened at 6:00 PM.
2. The brushed-concrete patio is complete except for the railing. The railing design will be partly metal spindles and, where a view of the 18th fairway and green is desirable, glass panels. The minimum building code height for the railing is 36". Our railing will be 42" high for added safety and to facilitate an unimpeded view when seated. The project is expected to be complete by the end of June.
3. The first tranche of the bank loan for our new irrigation system was transferred to the MGC on the 30th of May and a cheque has been cut to pay for the parts. We will have documentation from Toro and Atkinson Irrigation (plus photos) to prove the parts now belong to the MGC. Work that will affect the playability of the golf course will commence in September. Main feeder lines from the pump house will likely be done earlier.
4. The concrete flooring for the pump house will be done this summer. The pumps will now be installed in October because of the high water levels. We will continue to rely on the old pumps until then.

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5. A part-time student gardener, Emily, has been hired and our retired gardener, Sue, is assisting.
6. To maintain an atmosphere that will attract rentals from external clients, the Board voted to continue to keep the appearance of the club “clean” rather than reinstall all the plaques and pictures on the main floor walls. This policy is a business decision. Following some consultation with the Ladies’ Executive on colour, we will re-paint the lower level hallways and the stairwell. Subsequently, the ladies’ plaques can be moved from the trophy case and installed on that level.
7. While it is assumed that other people also expressed dissatisfaction with the surface condition of River Road from Appleton Side Road to the village, the club did approach the Municipality and this section of roadway has since been repaved. A note of appreciation has been sent to the Public Works Department.
8. Members are reminded that the blue handicap flag on their power cart does not entitle you to drive closer to the greens than 30 feet.
9. Owing to ongoing weak sales, attributable perhaps in part to the weather, the beverage cart service will be cut back to Wednesday through Sunday, beginning at noon, unless the day is forecast to be exceptionally hot. The Board will review this decision during the summer.
10. The meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM. The date and time of the next regular meeting will be Wednesday 5 July at 6 PM in the Myers Motors boardroom.
11. If any member has a question or concern, please contact me at john.foottit@gmail.com.

John Foottit
Secretary/VP

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May 30th Greens report

Green are being cut at .135; last year at this time they were being cut at .145. Owing to the wet conditions, we had to aerify the greens using solid tines instead of hollow. In the fall we will use the ½ inch hollow tines. Greens were verticut on May 29th and as soon as we get a dry day they will be top-dressed.

Tees: They have been aerified, top-dressed, seeded and fertilized.

Fairways: They came through the winter in good shape. It has been a challenge to keep things cut owing to how wet everything has been. Numbers 13 and 16 fairways will not fully dry out until the river drops at least another 12 inches. They will be fertilized and fungicide will be applied June 1st. We will be verticutting and aerifying our fairways once the weather lets us.

The grub damage is with us again this spring. We have been able to keep up with them and at least with all this rain the grass seed will germinate easier.

Owing to the high river levels, we will not be installing the new pumps until the fall. We have to dig footings for the new floor and the high water levels won't allow us to dig.