

June Committee Meeting

Date: 6/20/2024

Time: 2:00pm

Location: Ocean Pines Golf Clubhouse

This month's meeting will be held in the large clubhouse meeting room.

Present: Frank Brown, Bob Beckelman, John Ferinde, Don McMullen, Bob Moulden, Susan Morris, John O'Connor, Ann Shockley and Steve Jacobs- OP Board liaison

Absent: Bill Bavis, Justin Hartshorne, Rufus Johnson, Fritz Lahner

Agenda:

1. Call to Order, Frank Brown
2. Public Comments-none

3. Approve Minutes from May Meeting Minutes will be emailed to committee members.
4. Course Conditions Update, Justin Hartshorne
 - a. Questions & Discussion sand trap improvements and general course conditions.

John O'Connor reported that the ninja tines were used to aerate the greens this past Tuesday-back 9, Wednesday will be the front 9. Lots of water has been used in this hot weather. Bob Long asked about the bunkers. The sprinkler parts have arrived and been unleaded for the replacing of the old sprinkler system. The project may start earlier than originally planned. Bob Long asked about the green stakes being placed to mark the wet areas. Kids have been observed playing football on #5 green. Bob Long called the police. The Op police is hoping that as soon as they are fully staffed, that they will be able to have officers on bikes patrol the course after hours. Bob Beckelman wondered about fines for people that are unauthorized to be on the course.

5. Golf Management Report, Bob Beckelman
 - a. Questions & Discussion
 - i. Discussion of new Memberships for 2024 Season- Membership is up 10-15 people and is now in the 180's. (people) The goal is 200 members.
 - ii. New scorecards now available and in use. The comments have been positive for them.

The course is doing well and is "crazy busy"! Around 200 rounds are being played on Tuesday and Thursdays. The golf academy is busy, lots of club fittings and cross promotions such as Nine and Dine. Judie is introducing little contests.

The netting ordered for the area between the driving range and the parking lot was the wrong kind and had to be reordered.

6. Golf Group Reports
 - a. Members Council, Bill Bavis
 - i. Update on Taylor Bank Tournament – Steve Howse needs help. Tee signs to help support the even are \$40.

Bob Long reported that the Barbeque picnic event will be on August 17 starting at 5pm and held at White Horse Park.

Twelve scholarships were awarded from the OP Golf Council to local high school seniors for a total of \$15,000. Also, two scholarships were awarded by the Ravens Roost organization

- b. OPMGA, John Ferinde
 - i. Discussion of results the member/member tournament
 - ii. Start of Match play tournament
 - iii. Schedule for upcoming events

John reported that all is going well. The OPMGA has 110 members. Tournaments are on schedule. The average number of players for Thursday morning play is 44.

- c. OPLGA, Tammy Banachowski.

OPLGA held their Member/Guest tournament with forty-four ladies playing. Future events include Bring a Friend and the Solheim Cup on July 23. New members continue to join, being the membership to the mid 70's.

Old Business

- 1. None at this time

New Business

- 1. Member concerns-- How to proceed to improve unsightly condo conditions on number 9 and number 18 property borders

Suggestions were netting between the Borderlinks condos and the 18th hole or shrubs being planted to hinder balls hitting the condos and /or to hide the unsightly homes. It was suggested to consult John Viola and Bob Beckelman. Ann volunteered to send an email to Linda Martin, head of the OP CPI stating our concerns.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00pm by Don McMullen and seconded by Frank Brown.