

Minutes of the Board of Directors of the Grenadier Island Country Club held on Saturday, July 15, 2017 at Cornwall's Pub in Rockport, Ontario at 10:00 am.

Present: Gordon Bonisteel Fd Dowd

Bill Fry Herb Gibson Bill Grimsdale George Grout Kevin Hale Harold Johnson Rick Myron

Lynn Knudsen

Sue Thompson

Regrets: Ian Angus

Guest: Jeff Lynch, GICC Superintendent

Meeting called to order by President George Grout at 9:13 a.m. Once again the President's remarks start with a mention of the high water which has had adverse effects on this Club and its membership. Funds have had to be allocated to dock alterations and attendance to Club functions are down. The good news is that our facilities are all in fine shape, and those that are here are having a great time.

Minutes: Motion by Bill Fry and seconded by Gordon Bonisteel to accept the minutes as written for the Board of Directors Meeting held on Saturday, June 10, 2017. Carried

TREASURER'S REPORT. The biggest concern is the possibility of a shortfall in revenue from dinners as a result of the high water. However, whatever variance that may occur should not be impactful.

We still have several individuals with outstanding dues. These individuals have been contacted. Herb Gibson will send a reminder notice to the membership via CLUBSTER.

Bill Fry noted that the direct deposit rebate of \$1000-1500 due from the beer store for 2016 purchases has not been received.

Ed Dowd noted that the ground maintenance costs are slightly higher. Jeff responded that these costs are attributed to dock alterations.

Motion by Herb Gibson seconded by Lynn Knudson to accept the Treasurer's report. Carried

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT. Jeff Lynch reported that usage of the course is light. Bill Fry commended Jeff and his crew for the high quality of the course. All commented on the transformation of the septic area.

The Duke memorial plaque is being designed. Harold Johnson will help Jeff with the graphics.

Jeff reported on old business.

1) Seeders. Jeff recommends the Greensmatic walk-behind 24" seeder priced at \$8,980. The seeder works on greens and tee boxes. Another option is the Tritop tow-behind. The Tritop is larger and will do fairways as well but the cost is \$18,000. We need a seeder for both but fairways and greens but the most important presently is the greens. Seed costs about \$1,000 to do all greens in a simple path...cross pattern costs \$2,000. Preferably seeding will occur twice annually in the spring and fall.

Motion by Lynn Knudsen and seconded by Ed Dowd to amend the board's previous motion to purchase the Greensmatic walk-behind seeder at a cost not to exceed \$10,000.

2) Artificial surfaces were researched but the present surface is adequate at the moment.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

<u>MEMBERSHIP.</u> Regular membership is at 155 following the resignation of a member who is unable to use the club due to medical problems.

<u>FACILITIES.</u> Anticipating his absence, Ian Angus submitted a report early this week to the board.

The board welcomed Karleen Karlson, who spoke about the children's playground design. The present playground was donated in 2007 by the Carlson family. If desired, a plaque can be added to the structure. \$3350 was raised to expand the playground in honor of Bev Brown. Karleen presented information on two pieces of equipment sold by Medicine Hat. Considerable discussion ensued concerning the safety of the equipment and the supporting surface. Karleen will obtain further information from Magic Hat on safety issues and consult with Julie Silver on overall needs. The board appreciates Karleen's work and pledges support for the children's program.

The board asks Lynn Knudson to work with Karleen and Julie on the Bev Brown Memorial Playground project.

<u>COMMUNICATIONS/CALENDAR.</u> Harold Johnson reported that steps are being taken to correct system glitches with event RSVPs; both changes and waiting lists. Additionally, members are asked to be more proactive in dinner signups and cancellations.

Harold recommended that CLUBSTER duties be turned over to the supervising coordinator.

<u>GOLF.</u> Bill Grimsdale reported that golf activities are running smoothly. 500 score cards were ordered and delivered. The GAO is due to visit Grenadier this summer to reevaluate the course.

HOUSE AND SPECIAL EVENTS. Dinner chairs are responding well to the challenges created by high water. Both dinners held were successful.

<u>PROCUREMENT</u>. A new boat has been ordered. The board clarified that Club boats may not be used for personal business.

<u>TENNIS</u>. Courts are in excellent condition. The Fun Tennis event was held but play was cut short due to rain. Tennis camps successfully ran and ended with a luncheon. Tournaments for juniors and adults are scheduled for month end.

Motion by Harold Johnson and seconded by Kevin Hale to accept the committee reports.

Carried

NEW BUSINESS

- Lunch prices are not adequate to cover expenses. The board approved Lynn Knudson's request to raise prices on hamburgers, sausages, and hot dogs.
- 2) The board determined that premium beer prices are adequate.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Board asks Bill Fry to read the golf cart lease and make recommendation for purchasing/trading in. Recommendation will be sent to board members before the next meeting. **DEFFERED TO** 2018
- 2) The board asks that the House Chair investigate the feasibility of staffing the clubhouse from May through September.
- Board requests that Jeff schedule automated external defibrillator (AED) training and offer to the membership.
- 4) Board accepts Bruce Lounsbury's offer to write a mission statement.
- 5) Formalize the Bev Brown Playground ceremony and fund.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Harold Johnson to adjourn at 11:32 a.m. **Carried**

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Thompson GICC Secretary