

GOLF COMMISSION MINUTES
for
March 25, 2021 MEETING

ATTENDED: Dean Godek, Daniel Michael, Michael Dobise, Rich Hardina & David Wheeler

GUESTS: Tom DiRico & Dan Shay

Tom:

I would like to thank the Golf Commission for all their support.

The golf course opened March 6th of 2020 (last year). Due to the pandemic closed March 17 and then reopened May 6th. There was \$35,000 added to retain earnings. Closed on Dec 6, 2020. No banquets or outings.

Budget for fiscal year 2021 is \$684,000; currently the revenue for this fiscal year is around \$700,000. The potential for this fiscal year could be 250,000-300,000 in retained earnings.

Course opened March 20th, 2021 and the revenue so far is around 40,000-45,000.

The 60 new golf carts are well received by the players. All 60 carts are running which are needed due to the amount of play.

We are busy every day; the toughest part is getting the staff back.

Dan M:

Are we increasing staff or staying the same?

Tom:

We are keeping the amount of staff the same.

My biggest concern right now is the food and beverage budget. I currently have 15,000 left for this fiscal year. I'm worried that we will run out based on the amount of play.

Dean:

Have you used up any of the retained earnings?

Tom:

Had to use the retained earnings for the cart payments. For the next fiscal year budget the cart payments are in there.

Dan M:

Going back to the food and beverage, do you need permission to move money around?

Tom:

I can move money around from other areas, but the money has to be in there. Example: in fiscal year 2020 Budweiser doubled due to the golf course being busy.

Dan M:

We won't have enough in the food and beverage if the weather stays good.

Dean:

If you run out what are your options for additional money?

Tom:

I have some pro-shop money left. Never seen such an explosion in golf. Today we are booked from 7 a.m. until 3 p.m. It is only March.

Dan M:

Same as yesterday. When the leagues start-up it will get worse for the food and beverage. You will be selling a lot more.

Mike:

Our practice rounds are starting March 31st and the league will start April 7th.

Tom:

The leagues are pushing their start dates up. We haven't lost any leagues and we are adding one through Sparks Golf on Monday nights. We are now booked up for leagues, there is no room left for another one.

We were so busy last year that I had to be a starter; making sure people started on time and let them know who they are going to follow.

Rich:

Getting back to the budget. Is your only recourse would be to go to the mayor?

Tom:

I have to wait and see where we stand. I will talk to the mayor and see what options we have. I still have options to move money around.

Dan M:

Dan shay what is going on around the 9th tee box?

Dan S:

We were having problems around the 8th green, flooding on the green. Working on drainage and some cosmetics. Planting some wild flowers and seeding the area.

We had a wet spring last year and a dry hot summer. Our irrigation system and over seeding program helped. It was a strange year. The staff is very good and most of them are returning. The current soil temperature is 45 degrees, 55 degrees is optimal for growing.

Getting my pesticide report over to the state which we have a good relationship with. Getting the course cleaned up. I'm able to work on irrigation system, especially with not water in the lines. Starting the nutrients program on the greens and introducing the correct seeding program for this course. Looking forward to a great season. We are close to the right budget in order to get the course healthy.

Dan M:

What is the red balloon next to 12th tee box?

Dan S:

That is where they are projecting to put the cell tower.

Tom:

There are a few more meetings to go for the cell tower. They changed the location. They are projected to start this spring. It shouldn't have much impact on the course.

Dan S:

I might have to move the tees on 12 up during construction.

Rich:

That is good for the new location, more in the woods.

Dan M made a motion to approve last meeting minutes. 2nd by Rich. All in favor

Dan M made a motion to adjourn, 2nd Mike. Meeting was adjourned 8:39 am

The next meeting TBA