



POKEGAMA GOLF COURSE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, April 16, 2024 7:30 AM

CALL TO ORDER: Pursuant to due notice and call thereof, a Regular Meeting of the Pokegama Golf Course Board will be held on Tuesday, April 16, 2024, at 7:30 AM at Pokegama Golf Course, 3910 Golf Course Road, Grand Rapids, Minnesota.

Rick McDonald called the meeting to order at 7:30 AM.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT:

Member John Bauer, Member John Ryan, Member Rick McDonald, Member Tom Lagergren

ABSENT:

Member Roger Mischke

STAFF:

Tom Beaudry, Steve Ross

PUBLIC INPUT:

No one from the public was present.

SETTING THE AGENDA: (This is an opportunity to approve the regular agenda as presented or add/delete an Agenda item by a majority vote of the Board members present.)

Motion made by Member Bauer, Seconded by Member Lagergren to approve the agenda as presented. Voting Yea: Member McDonald, Member Bauer, Member Ryan, Member Lagergren.

APPROVE MINUTES:

1. Approve minutes for February 20, 2024 and March 19, 2024 Golf Board meetings.

Motion made by Member Ryan, Seconded by Member Bauer. to approve minutes for February 20, 2024 and March 19, 2024 Golf Board Meetings. Voting Yea: Member McDonald, Member Bauer, Member Ryan, Member Lagergren

CLAIMS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

2. Review claims and approve verified claims.

Director of Golf, Tom Beaudry, reviewed the financials. Fair weather has had a positive impact on the budget. The simulator has been successful. Discussion on Junior Golf.

Motion made by Member Bauer, Seconded by Member Lagergren to approve verified claims. Voting Yea: Member McDonald, Member Bauer, Member Ryan, Member Lagergren

VISITORS:

No visitors present.

REPORTS:

Superintendent Steve Ross reported. Working on verticutting fairways, next they will be working on tees. Trying a new fertilizer this year, Polyon. It's a one time application. Discussion was had about the 5 Year Capital Improvement Plan, replacement of equipment, leasing versus buying, communicating with the City Council. Steve will look into leasing specifics. Equipment replacement priorities are the rough wide mower and sprayer.

Soil temp is 48 degrees. Water levels are low. No irrigation pipe issues thus far.

Golf Director Tom Beaudry reported rate changes this year. Focus has been on the website, newsletters, and social media. Staff are coming on next week. Merchandise is arriving. They are seeing people coming by when weather is nice. Implementing a new policy of two people per cart and instituting a rider fee. Discussion on fees pertaining to annual pass and rider fee rates per household versus friends. Discussion was had about Starters responsibilities and pace of play and how it will look if corrective action is needed.

BUSINESS:

3. Consider lowering maximum age of young adult rates to 26 in 2025.

Discussion and agreement that 26 is a good age for the young adult rate.

Motion made by Member Bauer, Seconded by Member Lagergren to approve lowering the maximum age of the young adult rate to 26 in 2025. Voting Yea: Member McDonald, Member Bauer, Member Ryan, Member Lagergren

CORRESPONDENCE AND OPEN DISCUSSION:

No correspondence received.

ADJOURN:

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 AM.

Respectfully submitted:

Amanda Mitchell, Recorder