

**John P Larkin Country Club  
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
April 3, 2023 at 6:00pm**

**Present:** A. Keating, R. Hingston, B. Hingston, B. Taft, R. White.

**Call to Order:** A. Keating called the meeting to order at 6:03pm.

**Approval of Minutes 03/20/2023:** B. Hingston motioned to approve the previous minutes from March 20, 2023 with R. Hingston seconding. Motion passed. A. Keating abstained.

**Groundskeeper's Report from Cody:**

- Update on Opening- Clean-up going well, at the end of next week should have all big projects cleaned up ready to go. Some disease going on, but taking care of and nothing abnormal. Some snow on the back of the 3rd green. Mowers almost ready to go.

B. Hingston motioned to approve the Groundskeeper's report with B. Taft seconding. Motion Passed.

**Treasurer's Report:**

- Balances: Operating- \$4,696.96; Sustaining Members- \$5902.43; Capital \$4645.49 - Up to 39 members, Bob and Riley offered to do a membership drive on clean-up day as well to try to catch the rest of the people.
- Cody, Randy, and Dave have started, so payroll will be starting up as well.
- Irving had to fix the heater in the maintenance shed that was not working, and may need replacement in the coming year.
- Rockwood Transition Update- Contract into May, Rockwood straight out until tax season over then will go full transfer.
- Anonymous donor reached out to Bob to purchase/donate one load of bunker sand for the repairs which is roughly \$1,000.

B. Taft motioned to approve the Treasurer's report with R. White seconding. Motion Passed.

**Clubhouse Report:**

- Hiring Status/Needs- Still need a main worker to manage the day to day. Have plenty of summer help with college students. Trent will help with anything needed when able, doesn't want to go over 40 hours. In between, R. Hingston will cover when Trent can't when open, or Jen, Ryan's wife. Most importantly, need a full time person for the end of season. Board members noted that is Ryan and Jen were to work they would be paid employees for working, this does not violate the course Charter.
- Good idea for Board members to all be licensed via DLC to be aware of liquor regulations.
- Orders are coming in, hats, balls, gloves, etc. Going to a soft goods order, will do small in-club order for try-ons etc, then will have order form for people to do customs with one large special order.
- VGA emailed that GHIN fees are going up, effective immediately, will now be \$30, others who pre-paid before today's meeting will not be affected. Course does not make money off GHIN fees.
- General Pricing:
  - 9 Hole Weekday- \$22 + tax
  - 9 Hole Weekend/Holiday- \$24 + tax
  - 18 Hole rates will stay the same at \$30 and \$32 + tax

- Cart Fees 9 Holes Non-Member 9 \$12; Member \$10
- Cart Fees 18 Holes Non-Member \$17; Member \$15
- Food and Bev increases may happen as well depending on the market with certain items

R. White motioned to approve the Clubhouse report with B. Hingston seconding. Motion Passed.

### **Superintendent Report**

- Trees on 3- Spoke with Doug, has been too wet, some of the larger things they want to throw down the bank, possibly burn, but can think about that afterwards. Rick Schluntz spoke to Bob about taking some of the wood, if it is cut up. Will be gone before opening.
- Pump status- Needs to get back here, would ideally have the guy come here to do it and Cody can meet him and go over everything. Need it installed by the time the greens start getting cut.
- Clean-Up day- biggest need is 3rd hole bank, cutting to be done on 1 as well. Need to nail down a date.
- Hiring- Had a potential hire reach out after seeing the social media post, knows pay, hours, etc and has spoken with Cody a few times. Cody meeting with another potential hire. Dave Abernathy has started working a bit, would be ideal in the first role, but has had potential with a year-round business, so unsure if he will stay or not, all still up in the air. Trent could also go outside if needed when summer help arrives.
- Grizzy came up and went through the “old” carts. 5 2005 club cars, 2 have been used as work carts, other 3 in the fleet. Recommended that the club sell those 5 carts. 3 2010 Club Cars and 6 2011 Yamahas. With the 9 new ones, we would have 15 good, functional carts for the course, if sold the 5 2005's.
  - Need to find out what the terms of the deal is with Grizzy, sales prices, finders fee.

B. Hingston motioned to approve the Superintendent's report with R. Hingston seconding. Motion Passed.

### **Communications**

- R. White discussed the website, needing input from others as to what they would like to see, do other courses have info they have found helpful we should add, etc. Don't need to reinvent the site, but can add/move around things that fellow Board members think may be useful.
- History files have all been uploaded to the Drive, but it is a mess, will need a good amount of time to get cleaned up and organized to be more useful, but it's a start.
- Will get opening info posted from tonight's details, need info on volunteer day to send out.
- Would be good to get other important dates on the calendar, like aeration etc.

B. Hingston motioned to approve the Communications report with B. Taft seconding. Motion Passed.

### **President Report**

- Tee sponsors all filled. One cart sponsored, have one left that could be sponsored. Still waiting on a few of the signs to come in and be billed.
- Brave challenge would like to renew and is coming back in August.

R. Hingston motioned to approve the President's report with B. Taft seconding. Motion Passed

### **New Business for Opening Day:**

- Clean-Up Day:

- Weekend before opening weekend. Cody thinking Saturday the 15th of April would be a good clean-up day with the opening the following weekend.
- Potential Opening Day:
  - Saturday April 22/23 opening day.
  - Ryan- that soft opening on a weekday would work well, opening Thursday the 20th. Mass rush of everyone waiting for their first round would get out of the way and maybe make the weekend less crazy.
  - Members want to be open and out there, but the course needs to be in a place where there is less damage.
  - Cody is doing great, a step in the right direction for the course.

R. White motioned to host member clean-up day on April 15th with opening day of April 20th with R. Hingston seconding. Motion Passed.

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**Adjourn** at 7:53pm.

Next meeting will be held on April 17, 2023 at 6pm at the club.