

Wilmington Golf Course Advisory Board Minutes – May 2022

Call the meeting to order 5pm

Members present – Louise McColl, Steve Bridges, David Donovan, Freddy Dunn, Mike Emma, Jeff Darby, Gina Diccio, Tammy Skinner, Tony Upchurch, Matt Smith

Motion to approve the minutes: Freddy Dunn and Jeff made a motion.

Budget Committee – nothing to report

Grounds and Maintenance – a few of the new tee markers that were donated by FOM are disappearing due to theft and mischief.

Marketing Committee – survey will go out after the grand opening. Grand opening has been delayed until we get Internet issues resolved.

Friends of Muni – sold 14-hole signs. 4 to go. FOM golf tourney is July 29th 2pm. FOM purchased 160 rakes for the course. Trophy case is coming. Dropping dues to \$100 to see if more members will join. FOM will donate approx. \$150,000 to the golf course in 2022.

Renovations Committee – porch furniture delivered. Looks great. Cement on the porch is cracking. There was a question about the contractor covering the cracks. Slow Internet connection continues to present challenges for the Pro Shop Staff resulting in slow check out times for food, green/cart fees.

Pro's Report – Set an all-time new record \$204,720 in sales for the golf course. Turning down approximately 100 rounds per day. 6005 rounds of golf played in May. On target to have 60,000 rounds for the year. Alcohol sales were high. This seems to be attributed to the seating outside and players hanging around. Sandwiches are selling out. A bigger chill box is needed to hold more sandwiches. Steve wanted to know when the bigger TV's were getting installed. David cannot purchase TV's on his PCARD.

Golf Course Report - We had good weather in the beginning of May. We are approximately 3 weeks ahead of last year's golf course maturity. Nematoid damage is getting treated in isolated areas. Matt is trying to push the grass to grow sideways. Matt closed down the putting green to help the green recover from overplay. The plan is to shut down the practice green when it becomes stressed. The recommendation was brought up to over-seed just the tee boxes in the Fall to help eliminate lack of grass. Matt was not in favor of over-seeding due to the transition of Winter grass into Summer grass. Matt found a wire grass supplier in Florida. Matt is planning to purchase up to 900 1-gallon plants to fill those sandy-bare areas.

MGA – Tournament Scheduled for Memorial Day Weekend. 351 male members and 51 female members. Membership is increasing.

No new business

No unfinished business

Adjourn 5:55pm