

Smithers Golf and Country Club

FALL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday October 27, 2014

Directors Present: Bill Maskiewich, Ciril Habjan, John Howard, Leona Constantineau, Malcolm MacMillan, Toni Perreault, George Veenstra

Absent: Coranne Dohler

Greens & Grounds: Steve Kerbrat

Approximately 20 members were present

Bill Maskiewich called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the Spring meeting, March 24, 2014 be adopted (McGregor/McMillan) carried

Business arising from the minutes:

- Purchase of reflector sets not supported at this time

Opening State from the President:

On the negative side, winter damage left the greens in poor shape at start up, a hot summer did not help and reduced rounds played. Several maintenance & repairs were needed in the clubhouse, thanks to Ciril Habjan and George Veenstra with little cost to the club! On the positive side, 2 for 1 Wednesday and Young Adult programs were successful, the Bar & Restaurant revenue was satisfactory. Our challenges are the carry over debit from the roof damage of 2012, loss of Chris Herkel, replacing the Professional and taking over the operation of the Pro-shop

Greens and Grounds Report: Steve Kerbrat

- Worst year for grass growing in years
- Last of the fungicide applications out today
- Ready for winter, hope for no rain freezing
- Aerate and top dressing done
- Pins & Tees will be pulled before Halloween
- Can still golf if no frost on ground
- Projects done with supplies on hand due to budget restraints; --
 - trees planted on #7, #8 & #10
 - #2 bridge structure is being fabricated with grant of \$10T and cart path dollars-install maybe later this year or spring
 - #9 cart path paved
- Irrigation system is blown out
- Fence on #3 and #7 repaired/replaced
- Equipment; older fairway mower may be repaired while newer fairway mower in operation
- Thank you to the membership and executive for their support

House Report: Ciril Habjan

- Building was divided into sections and each section had needs;
 - veranda support poles rotted- replaced & painted - drain spouts replaced
 - kitchen dishwasher repairs, fans fixed, leaking pipes replaced, new heat vent filters
 - basement compressor room overheating, put vent in door
 - locker rooms full of old carts, towels, shoes etc-not claimed during the season so taken for disposal
 - furnace room was OK
 - Bar area – old water cooler repaired after waiting 3 months for parts, beer taps fixed
 - clubhouse door locks repaired
 - well that serves clubhouse-pump replace today & flushing underway-a payment plan has been arranged to pay the contractor when club has funds
 - a regular maintenance plan has been developed & will be reviewed, things like ice maker & hot water tank are old, may need replacement

Bill thanked Ciril & George for all their work on behalf of the club

Finance Report: Bill Maskiewich

- Coranne Dohler is our Treasurer unable to attend tonight's meeting
- September reports are only that, waiting for final October yearend figures and the Auditors report in April
- Yearend figures reflect the deficit caused by roof damage two years ago
- Ted Bobb asked if the grant of \$10T was in September figures-confirmed it was
- **Thanks to Gord Munro and Don McMillan for their work on grant applications**
- Don mentioned there are several applications ready to be sent forward for review by the Regional District for various needs of the club
- Rob Fraser inquired about the high telephone cost, plans are out there-Leona had researched the Telus account and found cost saving plans are not available for businesses
- Charlie Northrup noted the club should recognize receipt of the RD grant funding and permissive Taxation Exemption provided by the Town of Smithers-acknowledgement should be made as this savings is important to the club

Pro-Shop Hiring of New Pro: Toni Perreault

- Advertisement on internet, completion closing Oct 31, 2014
- Hiring committee will review applications & shortlist on November 6th
- Staffie Brine asked if club was purchasing power carts-yes, we are negotiating a price for all supplies & inventory in the pro-shop, estimated cost \$25-30T

Old Business: none

New Business:

- A "left turn" lane is needed on the highway-approach MoT
- Pro-shop takeover means the club gets the revenue-concern as past experience was not good
- Gift Certificates for Restaurant as well as Pro-shop
- Ideally, Pro/Manager would oversee Pro-shop, Kitchen & Bar

Election of Officers:

- Director for 2 year term-no nominations from floor, **George Veenstra will stand again-motion carried unanimously**
- Secretary for 2 year term-no nominations from floor, **Leona Constantineau will stand again-motion carried unanimously**
- Director for 2 year term-**Ian Smith will stand-motion carried unanimously**

*Looking for work crews to set-up/clean up for winter parties-*many hands less work!*

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm