

BBVCC Golf Committee

Minutes April 9, 2015

Attendance:

- a. **Present:** Ron Bogen, Rob Goodman (Chairperson), Al Hawks
- b. **Absent:** Bill Begue, John Schaefer, Jim Smolik
- c. **Visiting:** Ken Hoffer, Peter Winterfeld, Steve Brand, Bill Quick, Don Gardner, Joe Holdridge

1. **Call to Order:** 2:00 pm

2. **Approval of the Agenda:**

- a) It was:
 - i) **Moved** by Al Hawks
 - ii) **Seconded** by Ron Bogen
 - iii) **Carried to** approve the agenda as written subject to deleting item 11 a) Miscellaneous.

3. **Membership on the Golf Committee and appointment of 2015 Officers**

a) **Membership**

It was noted that the applications for new membership had not yet been taken to the Board of Directors, so there are no new committee members yet.

b) **Officers**

The following people volunteered/were appointed for 2015

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| i) Chairperson | Rob Goodman |
| ii) Board Liaison | - |
| iii) Recording Secretary | Rob Goodman |
| iv) Vice Chairperson | - |

Other positions

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| i) Golf Club Liaison | - |
| ii) Greens Keeper Liaison | Bill Quick |

Rob Goodman agreed to act as Chairperson for a second term. He also agreed to act as Recording Secretary, since traditionally, though not necessary, the Chair is also the Secretary. He noted that the BBVCC Golf Course Rules and Regulations only permit a person to act as Chairperson for a maximum of 2 years, so that next year, it will be required that another member volunteer to be Chairperson.

The positions of Board Liaison, Vice Chairperson (and informally Golf Club Liaison) were not filled as it was hoped that other Committee members would volunteer for these positions at our next meeting.

4. Approval of Minutes

b) It was:

- i) **Moved** by Ron Bogen
- ii) **Seconded** by Al Hawks
- iii) **Carried to** adopt the minutes of October 9, 2014 as written.

5. Greens Keeper Report: Steve Brand

- a. Steve advised the Committee that they've recently aerated the greens, and upcoming projects include turning on the irrigation system after the winter and the creation of a new bunker on hole 5.
- b. Steve told the Committee that he misses Ken Schroeder, that Zac Rector has started working on the course on a full time basis, and both Steve and Zac are very happy about that. Steve mentioned that there is an on-line turf grass management course that grants a degree from Penn State University upon completion, that he recommends Zac take. Steve agreed that he would talk to Ken Hoffer about training costs.

6. Golf Shop Manager's Report:

- a) Joe presented some final year figures for 2014, together with comparable numbers for 2013 and 2012. (Figures to follow)
- b) It was mentioned that lots of people were seen to pay fees into the honest box over the winter, but Ken stated that the honest box revenue was low, and estimated it to be in the range of \$400 to \$500.
- c) Joe distributed the draft scorecard he had prepared and noted that several versions had been distributed to the Committee over the previous month for their review and comments. He stated that the new hole ratings were on the card, hole 16 was now a par 4 for the ladies, and that Mike Kent had agreed to pay for the printing of the cards again. The Committee thanked Joe for updating the card, noting that the new map on the card looked very realistic.

It was:

- i) **Moved** by Al Hawks
- ii) **Seconded** by Ron Bogen
- iii) **Carried to** adopt the score card as presented, with the stipulation that Joe tries to arrange for the blue tee boxes at holes 11, 12, 14, and 18 to be shown on the card.

Joe stated that he intends to have new cards printed soon since the current supply of cards is running low.

- d) Joe stated that the gentleman from the WSGA who rerates courses has not yet determined his schedule for the spring, so was unable to tell us when our course will be rerated.
- e) Joe requested that signs be made up that indicate where the 14th and 18th tee box are. Bill Quick, as Greens Keeper Liaison, agreed to discuss and arrange this with Steve Brand.

7. **BBV Manager's Report:** Ken Hoffer

- a) Ken stated that Zac is now working full time on the course, and will be arranging for an additional person to work 2 days a week on the course in the summer. This will keep the manpower at the same level it was last year.
- b) Ken stated that he plans on having the chairs on the patio replaced with 40 new chairs. The Committee stated that last year, there were times when 50 to 60 chairs were needed, and asked Ken to try to have additional funds allocated in the budget for the purchase of additional chairs.
- c) Ken brought up the situation where a couple wants to purchase a couples seasons pass, but currently, one of them is unable to play due to medical reasons. The couple asked if they could buy a single pass, and then upgrade it to a couples pass if the medical situation subsequently improves enough to allow him to play golf. The Committee unanimously agreed that they could upgrade their singles pass to a couples pass at a later date (rather than buying a second single pass).

In general, the majority of the Committee thought this should only be allowed if a couple has a legitimate reason, while one Committee member thought this should be allowed regardless of the reason.

8. **BBV Board Liaison Report:** Peter Winterfeld

- a) Peter stated that 19% of the village plays golf, and that it should be closer to 30% to 35%. (He also stated that 8% of the village is part of the yacht club.) When asked what the 30% to 35% numbers were based upon, he stated it was only his opinion, and that even a 2% increase is good. He suggested that there should be more enthusiasm in the village for golf, and that maybe there should be a membership drive.

The Committee indicated that they would pass this comment on to the Golf Club, but also stated that there are several efforts underway each year to introduce golf to the Village, including the Duffers Scramble, an open house, and a putting tournament. It was also stated that new owners in the Village receive 4 free passes to the golf course, and Joe indicated that these passes are quite often used.

- b) Peter stated that there will probably be 2 or 3 budget planning meetings for the Board of Directors this year, and that it is important for representatives of the Golf Committee to attend these budget planning meetings to make their budget requests. These meetings have not yet been scheduled, but the Golf Committee needs to be involved and represented if we wish to have funds allocated to the Golf Course.

9. Financial Business

- a) **5 year Plan** - no discussion

10. Updates and outstanding items from last year

a) **Scorecard**

Discussed above

b) **Updated course rating and slope (include rating and slope for men who play red/white)**

Discussed above

- c) **The Golf Committee recommended that we ask Bob Simpson, the author of golf news in the BBVCC Bulletin, that the section on Damage in the Golf Rules and Regulations be printed in the Bulletin so that the Village as a whole is aware of what the Rules and Regulations state. Concurrent with the changes to the Golf R&Rs, the signs on the course should be reviewed to ensure that they do not conflict with the updated Golf R&Rs.**

There was discussion about what, if anything should be printed in the Bulletin, and it was agreed that Rob Goodman would ask Bob Simpson to include a statement in the Bulletin that read something like: “The BBVCC Golf Course Rules and Regulations have been updated periodically over the years, and they are available online or in the office for everyone to read.”

There appear to be no signs on the course relating to damage.

- d) **Bill Quick and Steve Brand were requested to arrange for signs to be made up with their preferred wording, that make it clear that maintenance staff have the right of way on the course, and that golfers should not hit balls in their direction.**

Bill Quick agreed to remind Steve that he can have signs made up if he chooses.

- e) **Joe was asked about his stated intention to present an information session on the rules of golf and the handicap system. Joe said he would like to do this. Jim MacMillan stated it would be nice to do this as part of a Golf Club meeting, and stated that he would speak to Bob Simpson about this.**

Joe stated he would still be willing to do this, and Rob stated that he spoke to Jim MacMillan about this today who agreed to try to organize this.

- f) **Rob Goodman stated that there are several other updates that could be made to the BBVCC Golf Course Rules and Regulations now that the Golf Club has formed. Rob asked if anyone wants to take on this task, but nobody volunteered.**

There were again no Committee members who volunteered to do this. Ken Hoffer stated he could go through the Rules and Regulations and see what needed to be changed. Rob stated he had an email that detailed some of the changes that could be made and agreed to send it to Ken. Rob also stated that even if Ken made some changes, we would still need a Committee member to volunteer to champion this effort.

11. Other

No business

12. Date and time of next meeting

The next meeting of the Golf Committee was scheduled for Thursday May 14, 2015 at 2:00 pm in the pro shop.

13. Meeting Adjourned: 3:00 pm

Minutes Approved: _____ Date: _____

Rob Goodman, Chairperson