



YKGC Board of Director's Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 12th, 2021

7:00pm, Crowe Mackay Boardroom

1. Call to Order – 7:11pm

Attendance

Present – Shaun Morris, Hughie Graham, Jenni Bruce, Damien Healy, Jeff Oldfield, Mark Whitehead, Matthew Bannister, John Nahanni, Cole Marshall

Regrets – Winter Bailey, Dwayne Simmons, Perry Campbell

Absent – none

2. Approval of Agenda - M. John, S. Jeff

3. Approval of Minutes

a. November 17th, 2020, **M: Mark, S. John**

4. Presidents Report – see attached – Discussion on being a registered charity and the challenges that go with it. Discussion on funding opportunities. **Motion: To Approve Presidents Report. M. Damien, S. John**

5. Treasurer's Report – verbal – BDIC loan of \$25,000 is paid off. Bank balance is \$177,000. Cash is split between restricted cash and capital projects. Statutory reserve is not necessarily cash. \$20K to go to Govt of Canada (20% forgiven) We have \$35K - \$45K in liabilities. Year end is being prepared.

6. General Manager's Report – see attached– There was rewards for early bird members, 34 members qualified (mostly seniors). Covid border restrictions are likely to remain over the summer. There are synthetic samples of turf en route, shipping is delayed. Checked courses that

have been done and there were rave reviews, a 2011 course is holding up well. Assistant Pro has confirmed return and a contract is being drawn up. Looking to arrange carts better and a shed renovation. We have yellow rental mats which will help monitor them leaving the course. Plan to make it more prominent that we perform repairs on grips and shafts. Looking at Tee-on member cards and their usability. Buying show has been cancelled for 2022, this makes it difficult for clothing orders. Spent \$88K at 2021 buying show. Discussion on making sure that we are more proactive in the approval process for 2022. **Motion to accept GM Report. M. John, S. Matthew**

7. Old Business –

- a. Rules & Handicap Certification – **Completed**
- b. Couples Night – no updates
- c. Lucky Bucks – tabled until Spring of 2021
- d. Informal Agreement List –**Action: Cole to put together a binder with an email or screen shot of any informal agreements i.e. Work performed for a free membership or storage provided who, what & where.**
- e. Tee Box Wood – **Completed**
- f. Pace of Play – Will be more aware and monitor closely in 2021. **Completed**
- g. Paul Lazerich Sign – The sign is gone. Discussion on creating a new one. **Completed**
- h. List of courses that greens have been repaired on – Was provided in December and addressed in GM report. **Completed**
- i. Establishment of Advancement of Women’s & Junior Golf Committee – tabled until March
- j. Quotes for roof repair/condition nets & poles – Addressed in Course Management. **Completed**
- k. Dec/Jan promotion – Draws will be end of January. **Completed**
- l. Confirmation of Checklists – ongoing and confirmed that they will be used. **Completed.**
- m. Membership Survey – Have found some that are free but with limitations.
- n. Questions for membership survey – tabled to next meeting.

8. Committee Reports –

- a. Grounds & Maintenance – Damien – verbal – Damien will help Cole with checklists. Will get volunteers to address bushmills on 11 & 12.
- b. Course Management & Infrastructure – Jeff – verbal – Will meet with contractor to quote on labour for clubhouse porch. The quote for nets on range from Northlands is \$30K. Looking at booking work for the greens and sourcing funding. Top 5 Infrastructure projects currently: **Greens, Aprons on 9 & 12, shingles on Clubhouse, Snack Shack (6,17,15), back up range picker/maint vehicle**
- c. Membership & Clubhouse Committee – Winter – nothing to report
- d. Rules & Handicaps – John – nothing to report
- e. Tournaments – Perry – Perry will be meeting with Clem

- f. Midnight Tournament – Hughie – sent an email to Canadian North for sponsorship.
- g. Sales & Marketing – Dwayne – nothing to report
- h. Volunteers – Perry – nothing to report
- i. Policy Review – Jenni – **Action: will set up meeting with Hughie and Winter**
- j. Covid Procedures – Jenni – **Action: will set up meeting with John & Dave Welch**

9. New Business –

- a. Grants – Discussion on grants and proposal. Focus will be on Cannon & GNWT. Discussion of possible projects possibility of Solar power, Jeff and Hughie will pursue. Drone to film Midnight/Glowball, Jenni will check with possible quote from a contact.
- b. In Camera Session – **Motion: To go in camera at 9:04pm. M. Jeff, S. Mark.**
Motion: To go out of camera at 9:25pm. M. Jeff, S. Damien.

10. Next Meeting – Monday, February 8th, 2021, 7:00pm Location TBA.

11. Adjournment – M. Damien 9:30pm

Presidents Report

As discussed over the winter the golf course entered into an agreement for a preliminary funding report with a local grant writer which was to provide us with a number of potential funding options that we can apply for, the preliminary report was shared with the board last week for discussion at this board meeting. While our status of not being a charitable association limits our funding options the preliminary funding report does identify a number of options to apply for.

You may have seen the Social Media posts about a snowmobile driving over the snow fence and riding around some of the greens, specifically the 13th hole being the worst. These posts have garnered some attention and a reporter from NNSL contacted me and hopefully it will get some publication in the media as well. With the limited snow we have this year I hope that the snowmobile did not dig down enough to damage the artificial green surface. When we get to the point that we do replace the artificial surface we may need to get recommendations from the supplier as to what we can do to further protect the surfaces such as tarps or other materials.

There have been a number of responses to the email for committee volunteers so as we move closer to spring and the committees start up we will have some members to participate.

With the recent comments from the Chief Public Health Officer that they do not anticipate lifting the COVID related travel restrictions for the 2021 tourist season we could have another summer similar to last year with the record number of rounds played. It is anticipated that we will be able to have the clubhouse operational under the restrictions and continue to operate the course with the current protocols and learning experiences garnered last season. Ultimately, with the roll out of the Vaccine we can hopefully move into Phase 3 and 4 of the Emerging wisely plan that will allow us to get back to how we normally operate at the Golf Club.

Shaun Morris

President – Yellowknife Golf Club

