



YKGC Board of Director's Meeting Minutes

Monday, May 16th, 2022

6:00pm, Crowe Mackay Boardroom

Attendance

Present – Shaun Morris, Jenni Bruce, Damien Healy, Clem Hand, Robert Redshaw, Kylie Frederick, Matthew Bannister, Mark Whitehead, Jeff Oldfield, Geno Holick, Curtis Gibeau

Regrets – Andy Couvrette

Absent – Dwayne Simmons

1. **Call to Order** – 6:08pm
2. **Approval of Agenda** – M. Mark, S. Damien
3. **Approval of Minutes**
 - a. April 11th, 2022, M. Robert, S. Jeff
4. **Presidents Report** – **see attached** – Discussion that other NWT courses are aware of what is happening with Golf NT and confirmed that they are. **Motion to accept President's Report. M. Geno, S. Jeff**
5. **Treasurer's Report** – **verbal** – presented the financials with the budget line added as per the request of membership. Overall, we are in a good position. **Motion to approve the 2021 financial statements as presented. M. Matthew, S. Robert**
6. **Director of Golf's Report** – **see attached** – **Motion to accept DOG report. M. Mark, S. Jeff**
7. **Old Business** –
 - a. 2022 Season Membership Survey – waiting to finalize questions
 - b. Proposed Tee Moves – tabled – planning to drive the course with DOG for input and find out some rules on where tee boxes can be located from Conan.
 - c. Membership email for Volunteers – will send out prior to next meeting
 - d. Budget 2022 – not many changes since the first presentation, just rounded numbers and some housekeeping. **Motion to approve the 2022 budget including the increase to golf fees. M. Matthew, S. Geno**
 - e. Rate Increase for 2022 – covered in 7.d.
 - f. Bushmills clean up – completed by Damien's children and we will post acknowledgment on the website.

- g. Membership Benefits Package – email is ready to go along with the rate increase.

8. Committee Reports –

- a. Grounds & Maintenance – Geno – verbal – looking at the sheds, going to put rocks by hole 8. Need to look at maintenance on the tractor.
- b. Course Management & Infrastructure – Jeff – verbal – the solar project has started and should be done by the end of the week. Looking at putting a chain link fence down holes 8 & 9 to prevent damage and garbage from blowing in. Discussion on the storage of the solar power, there is no actual storage, the carts will be the storage. Looking at options for the screened area at the Clubhouse, possibility of outdoor seating that is sheltered.
- c. Membership & Clubhouse Committee – Damien – covered in 7.g.
- d. Rules & Handicaps – Clem – nothing to report
- e. Tournaments – Andy – not present – Shawn will assist with Member's Scramble
- f. Midnight Tournament – Robert – The corksicles are in. Finalizing details. **Action: Robert will look into the tent rental for the outdoor area.**
- g. Sales & Marketing – Dwayne – not present
- h. Volunteers – Damien – there will be a social media post today about the adopt-a-hole program. Will call for volunteers for the garbage clean up for May 29th.
- i. Women's and Junior Golf – Jenni – will be meeting on May 19th and committee membership is maxxed out.

9. New Business

- a. Reports for Spring Meeting – **Action: All committee chairs and executive to submit reports by Friday, May 20th.**
- b. E-motion April 14th - To update the signing authorities with the Royal Bank of Canada to the following individuals for all of the Yellowknife Golf Club Co-operative Ltd. accounts: Shaun Morris, Clem Hand, Jennifer Bruce, Matthew Bannister, Kylie Frederick. M. Matthew, S. Jenni. Passed
- c. Presentation from Lead Grounds – Update provided of progress to date at the course. Discussion on getting a second backpack blower. Discussion on the importance of using the checklists to keep consistency. Discussion on the water system and knowledge of it. Discussion on the importance of succession planning.
- d. In-Camera – none required
- e. Maintenance Vehicle – Discussion on why we need it and options that were circulated to the board. Best to go with diesel to prevent a mix up in fuel. **Motion to purchase the Kubota 900 for approximately \$19,000 on a three year term interest free, if interest will be charged, then purchase it with cash in one time payment. M. Matthew, S. Geno**

10. Next Meeting – June 27th, 7:00pm Location Clubhouse

11. Adjournment – M. Jeff 8:14pm

President Report

So glad that the weather has finally cooperated after last weekends freezing rain and we were able to open the course on May 14th. Kylie and her staff as well as the new Maintenance Superintendent Curtis Gibeau and his crew of Liam Tereposky and John Beland did an incredible amount of work in the first five days to enable us to open the course a week earlier than anticipated.

Maintenance Vehicle

I have sent out some options that were forwarded by Ron's auto for discussion (below). I have been watching the used vehicle market and there hasn't been anything decent that is not outrageously priced for the year and milage. We had stated during the February planning meeting that we would spend \$15,000 for the maintenance vehicle. With the lease options from club car not being available until 2023 and nothing available from Polartech this summer it leaves us with limited options for this season.

Ron's Auto

- Kubota RTV x900G diesel 4wd Hydrostatic Transmission (similar to range picker) in stock \$18,936.39 + gst
- Linhai T-Boss 550 Side x Side Gasoline 4wd Belt Drive Transmission end of June delivery \$16,669.99 + gst
- Kubota RTV 520 gasoline 4x4 Hydrostatic Transmission end of June Delivery \$14,256.00 + gst

Ron's Auto also currently has 0% financing for 36 months

Driving Range Nets

I have provided Golf Supply House with the size of the nets, and they will be pricing and confirming availability, as mentioned at last months meeting the earliest the nets would possibly be available would be the end of the season. Once we have confirmation for estimated delivery it may be worth while to plan for a spring 2023 delivery so we do not put them up at the end of the season or have to store them over the winter.

Sewage Tank Replacement

I have still not received any information in regard to sewage tank code requirements for commercial applications. I have sent a follow up email this morning and will advise the board once I have heard back.

Golf NT

As mentioned last meeting I had spoken to Bill Othmer with Sport North regarding our issues with Golf NT. I have also spoken to MACA who funds Golf NT and they are currently not in good standing with MACA as Golf NT received \$20,000 funding in 2017 and has not provide the required paperwork to MACA account for money. MACA has reached out to Golf NT (Arnold Enge) numerous times over the last few years but their enquiries have been ignored. That puts the option for a Team NT golf representation at the Canada Summer Games as they would not be allowed to participate until Golf NT is in good standing.

Recently Golf NT has started emailing Sport North trying to set up an AGM, fortunately Sport North is following the legal requirements for notification for AGM's and is not pushing through a "quick" meeting as Arnold is requesting.

Maintenance Superintendent

As mentioned above Curtis Gibeau has been hired as the Maintenance Superintendent for the Yellowknife Golf Club and is now joined by grounds staff of Liam Tereposky and John Beland. If the first week is any indication this team will do an amazing job over the summer and the course and facilities will look fantastic.

Synthetic Turf International

I spoke with Scott from Synthetic Turf International last week to review with him what we should do to clean and prepare the greens for the season. It is recommended that we use the backpack blower to clean the pine needles and loose debris from the greens and then drag them with the home-made pallet/brush drag that we had built by pulling it with a golf cart. He was quite impressed with the homemade drag last year and said it was as good if not better than any commercially made drags. Scott will be in Yellowknife for a day sometime around June 14, 15 or 16th (he will let me know for sure when he books his flight). While here Scott will inspect the greens and cups and review with our staff how to install the extra turf on the practice green.

Club Car Rental Fleet

Club car has email Kylie regarding some possible delays in the delivery of our 10 new carts that we have leased. I have called and left messages with the Club Car representative, but they have yet to return my calls. I will continue to reach out to them and advise once I found out what the issues is.

Old Proshop and Cart Storage

During a conversation with Peter Houwelling with Kavanaugh he stated that they have an industrial metal shredder that is able to shred a modular home into small enough size to fit into a 32 yard skid. This would significantly reduce our costs to remove these structures. We plan to meet at some point in June to review and get a price quote.



Shaun Morris
President – Yellowknife Golf Club

Director of Golf – Monthly Report

INTRODUCTION

May 14th was opening day! We saw over 100 golfers and had a fun-filled day of excitement and a positive atmosphere. As a few members said “It feels like Christmas eve.” We still have some staking, hole signs and corporate signs to go out but the grounds crew has worked extremely hard in their first week to get the course ready to open. Kudos to them.

PROJECTS

- The Driving Range is set up, the nets were frozen to the polls from the weather the previous weekend, Northland installed today.
- Lots of excitement over playing the new greens and are rolling smooth.
- Clubhouse has heat/water and they are starting to get set-up

PROSHOP

- Inventory has arrived, few more items left to come.
- 19 Out of the 33 Power carts are running properly.
- New Rental Clubs have arrived, they look awesome
- 2022 Opening Day Sales was \$31,370.53 (excluding F&B and Range)
- 2021 Opening Day \$30,965.40
- 2020 Opening day \$16,146.46

MEMBERSHIPS

- To date we have 176 Memberships Sold
- 28 Range Passes
- 5/8 Yearly Power Carts Paid
- 12 New Male Memberships sold
- 8 New Female Memberships sold
- 5 New Junior Boy Memberships Sold
- 3 New Junior Girl Memberships Sold
- 5 New Family Memberships
- 2 Student Memberships Sold

SPECIAL EVENT/TOURNAMENT UPDATES

- Hub International Cancelled
- Men's and Ladies Night dates have been set.
- Opening scramble Poster and Sign up is open

STAFFING

- Trained the staff on opening day and gave them their work site orientation.
- This year we have Colleen Pura, Haley Tait, Logan Shupe, Ben Grimes and Quinn Critch in the Pro-Shop. I am excited for the squad that has been assembled.
- Back-Shop has been trained and are excited to get started.

SOCIAL MEDIA

- Opening Day Contest was fun and got everyone excited for the season!
- 100.1 True North FM called and we got a radio spot tonight at 5:30 and will work together over the summer to promote events and any special functions.