

Golf Joint Advisory Committee Meeting Notes

Wednesday, September 9th, 4:00 pm, Bella Vista Country Club Boardroom & Zoom

Attendees: Alex Sanford, Darryl Muldoon, David Brandenburg, David DeGraf, David Welchel, Jan Simms, Jason Loyd, Jeff Hendren, Keith Ihms, Mark Deihl, Mike Houston, Phil Spencer, Sheila Heward, Susan Nuttall, Tammie Loyd, Kim Carlson, Tom Judson

Absent: Gary Mertz

Votes & Important

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Meeting Notes

Jason Loyd called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

Course Reports - see Meeting packet.

- The tunnel between #8 & #9 will be repaved.

Staff Reports:

- **Maintenance – Keith Ihms**

- General

- Trees with hanging branches are being trimmed
- Most of the seasonal employees have left, we are starting to lose Full Time Employees due to better opportunities as the economy opens up.
- The waterfall on #9 at Highlands was repaired by the Friends of the Highlands, with Mark Deihl & team.

- Projects

- Scotsdale stabilization: complete. The streambed was dry, so the project took a shorter time than planned, costing less.

- From David Welchel: September 23rd is the GCSAA Thank a Superintendent Day. Please thank the Superintendents!

- **Golf Operations - Darryl Muldoon**

- Rounds are up 15,272 over last year - a 13.5% increase. Member Regular Play rounds are up 10,564, Member Annual rounds are up 1,545, non member rounds up 3,278. Dogwood and Brittany account for the largest gains with increases of 5,057 and 5,889 respectively.
- We will continue with Tee Times in October. Golf group leaders have been notified
- We may need to alter the schedule at Tanyard Creek to have a little more time for maintenance.
- Tournaments -Alex:
 - Tournament sign ups are at or above last year
 - Bob Brooks won the Men's Club and Sr. Men's Club Championship
 - Alzheimer's tournament had 30 teams
 - The Friends of Dogwood Tournament was on 9/7 with 28 teams
 - The Prostate Tournament has 52 teams signed up
 - The Superintendent's Revenge tournament is starting to fill up
 - The Parent/Child Tournament is rescheduled for September 26th

- **General Management - Tom Judson**

- At the end of August, Activity Card sales are up 41% over last year
- Guest Passes are up over 90%
- Boat registration is up 18%
- Restaurants are at 90% of normal and last week we matched 2019 without large wedding events.
- The POA is developing an interactive app to help members locate amenities with maps, phone numbers and directions to the POA amenities. It is interfaced with a mapping program. Additional enhancements will be added in the future.
- **Board Liaisons** - none
- **Comments from the Public** - note from Bobby Hyslip
 - Why not open up the practice area at Kingswood? Per Darryl - it is closed due to the Covid 19 restrictions. Since golfers are supposed to, but often do not pick up the balls, this area is closed for the time being.
- **Old Business** - none
- **New Business**
 - A recognition plaque for Jake Grasmick will be installed near the waterfall at #12 on Country Club. Jake has been maintaining this area, along with other flower beds for years.
 - The committee discussed the impact of tee times rather than shotguns
 - Faster play
 - More organized flow
 - Less time consuming for Maintenance, enabling more work to be done on non-critical projects
 - We will evaluate at the end of the season to help determine the approach for 2021.

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The meeting was adjourned at 4:55 pm – Jason Loyd